

Macon County Social Services Board

July 26, 2017

Minutes

Call to Order

Patrick Betancourt called meeting to order. Members in attendance were: Lisa Leatherman, Darlene Green, Dinah Mashburn, Patrick Betancourt, Secretary to the Board and Cathy Makinson Business Officer designated to record minutes. Evelyn Southard was in attendance as a guest of the Board.

Minutes

Open Session and Closed Session Minutes of the May and June meetings were approved with corrections after motion by Lisa Leatherman, second by Dinah Mashburn.

Financials

Business Officer, Cathy Makinson reported with the adoption of the FY 17-18 budget by Commissioners, a 2% COLA was included. Financials through June were provided in the Board books and end of year financials will be reviewed next month. Cathy also reported on the State fiscal audit completed in April. The report was received in June on this audit with a finding in the area of the Emergency CPS/Foster Care expenses and how two charges totaling \$95.95 should have been claimed differently. Cathy adjusted and made the corrections on the June 1571 uploaded in July and is awaiting the follow up letter from the State fiscal staff reflecting those corrections.

Program Reports

No Program Reports this month.

Old Business

Patrick reported that there is still a delay in the appointment of the Social Services Commission DSS Board member. He noted that this has been the experience of several western counties. One county had made a recommendation only to have it denied and replaced with someone they did not know. Patrick has called the Social Services Commission and Division Director Wayne Black to no avail. The new Regional representative for the Social Services Commission (SSC), appointed by the governor, reviews applications and makes the recommendation based on that review to the SSC. Dinah mentioned that the Macon Board of Elections is experiencing the same difficulty.

Patrick had emailed the draft of the revised Policies & Procedures Manual for Board review. Several changes were suggested with the Board agreeing to table the approval until next month giving Board members more time to review.

Patrick stated the calculations at the State on Medicaid timeliness are still being corrected. In the meantime, Sheila Conley has calculated based on the state formula and as of July, 100% timeliness has been assessed. The state formula rounds down, so with that in mind, all programs reached 99%-100% in all Medicaid program areas.

New Business

Patrick reported to the Board that he and Sheila Jenkins had met with an appraiser sent to evaluate the Crawford Center for the county. Main area of concern is the possibility of losing parking spaces with the new roundabouts being implemented nearby that are part of the state DOT easement.

Patrick informed the Board of the Energy Outreach Meeting scheduled for Friday, September 15th at 10am. Energy providers as well as community partners have been invited. State requires DSS Board approval. This year the Energy Program will be incorporated into NC FAST and there are concerns on the process functioning correctly and the system going down when demands are high.

Closed Session

Lisa Leatherman made motion to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel and confidential case information. Darlene Green seconded, and motion carried.

Next Meeting

Next Board meeting is changed to Wednesday, August 23, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. in the DSS Administrative Conference Room.

APPROVED BY:

Chairman | Date

Secretary | Date