

Macon County Social Services Board

May 27, 2014

Minutes

Call to Order

Dinah Mashburn called meeting to order. Members in attendance were Dinah Mashburn, Chair, Jim Garner and Lisa Leatherman. Also attending was Jane Kimsey, Director and Secretary to Board.

Minutes

Open Session and Closed Session Minutes of the April 16, 2014 Board meeting were reviewed. Minutes were approved on motion of Jim Garner, second by Lisa Leatherman.

Financials

Monthly financials for April were provided in board book.

Proposed contracts for next fiscal year were presented to Board per attached schedule. Jim Garner made motion to approve contracts as presented, Lisa Leatherman seconded and motion carried.

Program Reports

Sheila Conley presented FY '12 - '13 Program Performance Measures for the Energy Assistance Programs, Child Care Subsidy, Program Integrity and Child Support Enforcement. Low Income Energy Assistance (LIEAP) and Crisis Intervention Program (CIP), the heating assistance programs, were administered by CareNet during this reporting fiscal year. Numbers of applications received and approved increased over the previous fiscal year; however the payments in CIP decreased due to cut in federal funding. Payments increased in the LIEAP. The number of families receiving Child Care Subsidy increased to 241, with total amount of benefits equaling \$1,276,849. Program Integrity cases did not increase; however, a greater focus will be given to this program in the upcoming fiscal year due to dedicating a full time investigator to this program area. Child Support Enforcement met or exceeded 9 out of the 9 federal and state benchmarks.

Old Business

NC FAST was updated. Media attention continues to be given to the NC FAST rollout. Medicaid backlog is getting more focus, which all of the Medicaid applications that are pending beyond the 45 days deadline are due to circumstances out of local control. The MAGI applications received from the Federally Facilitated Marketplace via the state are over the 45 days processing time limit when received at the county level. Additional days, up to 18 more days, are now allowed for applicants and recipients reapplying for Medicaid to return information that has resulted in longer processing times. State has scheduled emergency conference call to address the Medicaid backlog.

New Business

Dinah Mashburn was nominated to the Social Services Commission to continue her appointment on the Board beginning July 1, 2014 for another 3 year term.

Closed Session

Jim Garner made motion to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel and case information. Lisa Leatherman seconded, and motion carried. Board returned from Closed Session.

Next Meeting

Next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, June 18th at 9:00 am in the DSS Administrative Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED BY:

Dinah Mashburn 6-18-14
Chairman/Date

Jane C. Kensey 6/18/14
Secretary/Date

