

Macon County Social Services Board

December 18, 2013

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 November 20, 2013 Board meeting were reviewed. Minutes were approved on motion of Jim Garner, second by Lisa Leatherman.

Financials

Monthly financials for November were provided in board book.

TANF Cash Savings plan is being developed for board review in January.

Program Reports

Lisa Hilliard presented FY 2012 performance report for Adult and Family Services. 31 children were in foster care as of 6/30/13, with 10 children moving out of foster care into permanent placements last fiscal year and 2 children were adopted. 88 reports of adult protective services were received with 38 accepted for investigation, and 33 received outreach services. 17 reports did not meet criteria for investigation or for outreach services. As of 6/30/13, there were 4 adult guardianship cases and 15 protective payee cases.

Old Business

NC FAST updates were given. Enhanced federal funding for Medicaid eligibility functions in NC FAST is expected to be approved early 2014. When this funding is available, a plan was presented to utilize additional funds for time limited paid overtime for NC FAST conversion, temporary staff to backfill intake positions, staff supports to reduce stress and technology upgrades as needed. Board concurred with plan which will be presented to county management.

Impact of Affordable Care Act on Medicaid applications is beginning to be realized with individuals that screened as potentially Medicaid eligible seeking denials for Medicaid as well as pending Medicaid applications at the Federally Facilitated Marketplace about to be released for county staff to process. Medicaid definitions of households and countable income are also changing for families with children due to implementation of Affordable Care Act.

New Business

The Economic Services Point in Time report compiled annually as of November each year was briefly presented. Food and Nutrition Services households decreased by 1%, recipients increased by 2% and benefits decreased by 9%. Family and Children's Medicaid increased by less than 1%, and Adult Medicaid decreased by 1%. Medicaid

benefits could not be determined due to this information not currently available in NC FAST. Follow-up will be made to try and determine this information for January Board meeting.

Closed Session

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

Next Meeting

Next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, January 15, at 9:00 am in the DSS Administrative Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED BY:

Chairman/Date

Secretary/Date