

Macon County Social Services Board

January 16, 2013

Minutes

Call to Order

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

Minutes

Open and Closed Session Minutes of the December 19, 2012 Board meeting were reviewed. Minutes were approved on motion of Jeff King, second by Jim Garner.

Financials

Monthly financials were reviewed. TANF Cash Savings will be invested to achieve long term results for children and families receiving child protective services as first priority. Exact cash savings to be invested is being determined.

Program Reports

Medicaid and Child Care program results for last fiscal year were highlighted by Sheila Conley, Supervisor and Gwen Taylor, Planner and Evaluator. Annual Child Protective Service Program written report was provided.

Old Business

Temporary staffing contract through Adecco could not be finalized due to none of the Buncombe County DSS temps being willing to travel to Macon DSS. Temporary full time staff will be hired for approximately 3 months to complete the NC FAST conversion process beginning in mid-February. Workers are also working on realigning recertification periods first within Medicaid cases, then with FNS cases to streamline the process of completing case reviews.

New Business

Legislative Briefing on social services issues will be held tomorrow for the Legislators representing the western 7 counties.

Child Protective Services Supervisor Brian Vogl met with school counselors and administrators along with other child protection service providers. Meeting was very productive in understanding roles and limitations with each provider's services. 2 audits have been completed, one at Senior Services in the Home Care and Community Block Grant program and one in the DSS Fiscal Reporting for federal and state reimbursement. Minor findings were determined in the HCCBG audit, specific to the nutrition and in-home aide areas. Corrective action plan has been developed to address these areas. Preliminary verbal report on the DSS Fiscal Reporting audit was very positive, which the written report will be shared when received.

Budget prep for next fiscal year is beginning, which estimates should be received by mid-February. As in the past few fiscal years, continued unknowns regarding funding on all levels of government will make projecting an accurate county budget very difficult.

Closed Session

Jim Garner made motion to go into Closed Session to discuss confidential case information, personnel and contracts. Jeff King seconded, and motion carried. Board returned from Closed Session.

Next Meeting

Next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, February 20 at 9:00 am in the DSS Administrative Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED BY:

Chairman/Date

Secretary/Date