

Macon County Social Services Board

September 19, 2017

Minutes

Call to Order

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

Minutes

Lisa Leatherman made motion to approve July minutes, second by Darlene Green. Darlene Green made motion to approve August minutes, second by Evelyn Southard. Open and Closed minutes for both months were approved.

Financials

Business Officer, Cathy Makinson presented end of FY 16-17 financials. County savings were \$589,344 of which \$81,536 were foster care and \$113,856 were Special Assistance, leaving \$393,952 in savings compared to \$249,821 in FY 15-16. Savings were attributed to less vacancies, increase in TANF Federal funds and receipt of Adoption Incentive Funds.

Program Reports

No Program Reports this month. Patrick stated he hoped to have the first of the Performance Measures for FY 16-17 ready to present in October.

Old Business

Patrick gave an update to the Capital Improvement Plan with the DSS focus on expansion of Senior Services. He reported that Sheila Jenkins, Cathy Makinson and he met with County Manager and County Finance Officer to get feedback on the development of the plan due back to the county by 10/2/17. There was a second called department head meeting where Derek allowed questions and gave clarification on information needed to complete requests.

New Business

Patrick reported to the Board that he presented at the County Commissioner meeting for their vote and approval to continue being an Electing County for the next Biennial Work First Plan. He reminded the DSS Board that this is the plan that allows for us to be innovative in the requirements for county Work First benefits and utilize the Federal cash savings to support Child Welfare, Emergency Assistance and Foster Care. County Commissioners gave unanimous approval. Patrick will need to go back in November to present the biennial plan for approval.

DSS Board worked on editing the draft copy of changes to the Policies and Procedures Manual. This will continue next month.

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 Tuesday, October 24th, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. in the DSS Administrative Conference Room.

APPROVED BY:

Chairman | Date

Secretary | Date