

Macon County Social Services Board

August 21, 2013

Minutes

Lisa Leatherman was sworn in as the new Social Services Board member.

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 Minutes of the July 17, 2013 Board meeting were reviewed. Minutes were approved on motion of Jim Garner, second by Dinah Mashburn.

Financials

Monthly financials for July were briefly reviewed. FY 12-13 year end numbers will be provided in September. Funding authorizations have been received for current fiscal year, and revised budget will be provided at next board meeting based on new state and federal funding.

Discussion held on demands for legal services. Board approved a contract with Chester Jones for back-up legal representation on motion of Jim Garner, second by Dinah Mashburn. Board also approved advertising for DSS Staff Attorney due to the increased need for legal services justifying the employment of a full time staff attorney.

Program Reports

A brief and simplified Performance Report is being developed for last fiscal year and will be presented at future board meeting.

Old Business

Updates given on NC FAST system changes that minimally impacted FNS system locally. With rollout of P2/6 to pilot counties, many counties experienced a significant back log of cases in the system which Macon did not experience such a backlog. System improvements are being implemented weekly, sometimes daily to overcome defects as they are identified. The promotion of Elaina Worley to be the local NC FAST Team Leader was approved by county management. Mrs. Worley will be trained by the state to provide NC FAST Over the Shoulder Support (OSS) locally, and the state DSS will provide a temporary state worker to backfill her position through the end of the fiscal year.

Charity Tracker MOA has been developed for sharing of information between any agencies that participate in this shared case management software system. State approval of the MOA is still pending. Intent is to have the system fully functioning by winter demand months.

Affordable Care Act plans for community awareness are still in process.

New Business

LIEAP and CIP funding authorizations for services and for administration have been received. Board concurred with the recommendation of re-employing Pat Revis on temporary, part time basis to work in the heating assistance programs. Ms. Revis has served in this role in the past at DSS, and worked in this role at CareNet last year when they administered the heating assistance programs.

SHIIP Grant was also received again this year. Board concurred with recommendation to re-employ Pearl Stallcup on temporary, part-time basis to assist with the Medicare D Enrollments at Senior Services with this grant funding as has been done in the past.

Board approved monthly meeting date schedule to be the 3rd Wednesday of the month, with the exception of September. September Board meeting will be Friday, September 20th at 9:00 in the Administrative Conference Room.

Closed Session

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

Next Meeting

Next scheduled meeting is Friday, September 20th at 9:00 am in the DSS Administrative Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED BY:

Chairman/Date

Secretary/Date