

Macon County Social Services Board

July 14, 2010

Minutes

Social Services Board met this date for regular monthly meeting. Vic Perry, Clerk of Court, administered the oath of office to Jim Garner, the new County Commissioners appointee to the Board. Mark West made motion to elect Wendy Dalton, Chair of the DSS Board and Jim Garner seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting was called to order by Chair Wendy Dalton. Members in attendance were Wendy Dalton, Mark West, Jim Garner and Director/Secretary.

Minutes

Minutes, both Open and Closed Sessions, of the June 23, 2010 board meeting were reviewed and approved on motion of Mark West, second by Chairman Dalton due to Mr. Garner having not attended the June Board meeting.

Financials

Brief update given on monthly financials. Brief update given on new fiscal year budget. Director reported that County Commissioner Bobby Kuppers had met with Business Officer and Director to further understand how the DSS budget operates.

Old Business

Food and Nutrition income changes effective July 1st have not resulted in significant applications increase over last month. Announcements were made on the local radio stations and an article is being published in the Franklin Press about the income guideline changes.

Administration of Child Support Services officially transitioned on July 1st. First Child Support Enforcement Court is scheduled for Friday with over 50 cases calendared. The state Program Improvement Team has been critical to the startup and transition of this program. Request has been made to keep these consultants at least to the end of August. Revised brochure on Social Services was shared with Board members.

New Business

Director has been requested to continue service as an Angel Medical Center Board member for a 4 year term beginning October 2010. Board supported this request. Director shared information on a new electronic pre-assessment service called ePASS. State DSS launched this new web based tool for NC residents to privately screen themselves at their convenience for DSS services. Currently Food and Nutrition is the primary program available to be prescreened, but plans are to provide pre-screening for all economic services programs including Medicaid.

Audits were completed in the areas of Adoption Assistance and Food and Nutrition Employment and Training. Adoption Assistance audit yielded no errors, and FNS E & T

audit had a few coding errors that required an improvement plan. Very good results overall and staff were commended.

Closed Session

Mark West made motion to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel matters, Jim Garner seconded, and motion carried. Board returned from Closed Session.

Next Meeting

Next meeting was set for Wednesday, August 18, at 9:00 in the DSS Administrative Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED BY:

Chairman/Date

Secretary/Date