

Macon County Social Services Board

Friday, Mar. 21, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Welcome/Call to Order

Patrick Betancourt called the regular meeting of the Macon County Social Services Board to order. Members in attendance included Mike Williams, Anne Hyder, Patrick Betancourt (Executive Officer and Secretary to the Board), Beneth Aiken, and Lynne Kurimay. Cara Smith was in approved virtual attendance.

Proposed Agenda

Proposed Agenda was approved on motion of Anne Hyder, seconded by Mike Williams.

Minutes

February 2025 minutes were approved on motion of Mike Williams, seconded by Anne Hyder.

April Meeting Reschedule

The regularly scheduled Board meeting for April falls on a holiday. The Board rescheduled the meeting for Apr. 25, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. Patrick and Beneth will ensure that the proper notices are completed and posted.

SFY 2026 Submitted Budget Review/Board Recommendations

Lynne and Cathy reviewed both the anticipated year-end of current budget year as well as the projected budget for SFY 2026 budget with the Board members. Cathy offered explanations regarding how items are calculated and how many of the numbers are fluid due to the difficulty in accurately predicting outcomes of variables such as foster care numbers, SA bed slots, etc. They also discussed the intricacies of various funding sources and our strategic approach to effectively allocating those resources. Cathy and Patrick shared where we are on the current fiscal year and answered questions from the Board. The Board unanimously expressed their full support for the proposed budget.

Together We Can Transition House Update

Patrick updated the Board members on the progress with the Together We Can transition house. The organization is in the final stages of drafting the policy and procedural guidelines and the Dept. is working together with the organization to finalize the project.

Board Member Update

Patrick Betancourt and the Board discussed the upcoming Board member vacancy and the process surrounding that search.

Personnel Update/Agency Exits Data

Beneth shared personnel updates. There was one departure from the agency in the Medicaid Unit. There is one new employee: Michelle Cano as a Social Worker in Child Protective Services. There were no personnel changes at Senior Services.

Motion to enter closed session was made by Anne Hyder, seconded by Mike Williams.

Motion to return from closed session was made by Anne Hyder, seconded by Mike Williams with no action taken by the Board. A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Anne Hyder, seconded by Mike Williams.

These minutes were voted o	n and approved by the I	Macon County Social Services	Board at its regularly held meeting on

Apr. **25**, 2025.

Executive Officer/Secretary

Date

Chairman

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