

LEE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
BOARD MEETING
April 17th, 2018

The Board of Social Services for the Lee County Department of Social Services convened at 12:00 PM, in the Board of Commissioner's Room at the Lee County Government Center, 106 Hillcrest Drive, Sanford, North Carolina. Board members present were; David Riddle, Gail Dickens, Margaret Johnson, and Commissioner Amy Dalrymple. Also, present was Ex-Officio member Angelina Noel.

Chairperson Riddle called the meeting to order, and opened with the serenity prayer.

Chairperson Riddle then moved to the April Agenda and asked if any changes were needed, there being none Chairperson Riddle ruled the agenda had been adopted.

Chairperson Riddle then moved to considered changes to the March minutes. There being none Chairperson Riddle ruled the minutes had been adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENT - No one signed up to speak during the Public Comments section of the meeting.

Delegated Authority MOU-Candidate Qualifications-Ms. Angelina Noel, Director-Currently the MOU we maintain with the Office of State Human Resources has Melissa Lett as having delegated authority to qualify applications by state standards. If she were not available, we would need a backup. A recent class was held in New Bern by Office of State Human Resources which Melissa, Sabrina Franklin and Angelina Noel attended. Ms. Noel asked the board for a motion to accept the changes to the MOU. This change in MOU would allow Sabrina Franklin to be added to have delegated authority to qualify applications.

Chairperson Riddle asked for a motion to accept the Delegated Authority MOU. A motion was made by Board Member Dickens to accept.

Aye: Gail Dickens, David Riddle, Margaret Johnson, and Amy Dalrymple

Nay: None

Chairperson Riddle ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

FY19 Initial Budget Revisions-Ms. Angelina Noel, Director-Mrs. Minter requested her to make two changes. The health insurance premium is due to an increase in the coming year. The other change is due to a recent salary study that will require an adjustment on a position's salary. With these two changes being made, it has impacted the salary line item, FICA, Retirement, 401K and group insurance on the expense items as well as the revenues. Ms. Noel asked the board for a motion to accept the revision of the 2018-2019 budget.

Chairperson Riddle asked for a motion to accept the 2018-2019 Budget with revisions. A motion was made by Board Member Dickens to accept.

Aye: Gail Dickens, David Riddle, Margaret Johnson, and Amy Dalrymple

Nay: None

Chairperson Riddle ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

Benefit Diversion FY 18-19-Mr. Edward Mulnix, WFFA Supervisor, came before the board for a motion to approve the Benefit Diversion Program for year 2018-2019. He gave a brief background on the program as in previous years. This is a onetime lump sum payment the client receives when in a crisis and this check would divert them from receiving regular cash assistance.

Chairperson Riddle asked for a motion to accept the Benefit Diversion Program again for the year 2018-2019. A motion was made by Board Member Dickens to accept.

Aye: Gail Dickens, David Riddle, Margaret Johnson, and Amy Dalrymple

Nay: None

Chairperson Riddle ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously.

CFSR Audit Results-Ms. Maggie Johnson, Foster Care Supervisor, presented the board with the results of a recent CFSR audit. The CFSR is used by the state as a tool to conform to Federal requirements. There were eighty cases in the state chosen and Lee County had one case for audit. She explained the case, the findings and the results.

Performance Score Card-Ms. Angelina Noel, Director, reviewed the monthly scorecard with the board. Updating the board on the most recent data changes to the scorecard in Child Protective Services. Ms. Noel went over the significant progress being made in CPS even with being understaffed at this time. CPS has made progress in time standards of case closures over 45 days. Ms. Noel continued the review with Foster Care, Adult Services, Child Support and Economic Services. Ms. Noel addressed the difference in federal requirements for child support measures and how the state sets performance goals for each county based on the county's performance in the previous year. Ms. Noel also stated that Economic Services does well with meeting timeliness requirements.

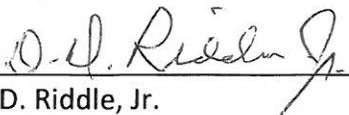
New Employee Introductions- Rolanda Fields, Foster Care Social Worker, and Brian Godfrey, Social Services Attorney, introduced themselves to the board and each gave a little background on their careers.

With no further business to come before the board, Chairperson Riddle moved to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Gail Dickens, David Riddle, Margaret Johnson, and Amy Dalrymple.

Nay: None

Chairperson Riddle ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously and the meeting adjourned.



D.D. Riddle, Jr.
Chairman

Melissa Lett
Secretary