

LEE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
BOARD MEETING
March 21st, 2017

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 Ophelia Livingston, David Riddle, Paul Utley, and Commissioner Amy Dalrymple and absent was Gail Dickens. Also present was Ex-Officio member Brenda Potts.

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

The Board considered changes to the March agenda. No changes being made a motion was made by member Utley to accept.

Aye: Paul Utley, Amy Dalrymple, David Riddle. (Absent from the vote Ophelia Livingston and Gail Dickens)

Nay: None

The Board considered changes to the February minutes. No changes being made a motion was made by Member Utley to accept.

Aye: Amy Dalrymple, Paul Utley, David Riddle. (Absent from the vote Gail Dickens and Ophelia Livingston)

Nay: None

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

The meeting was turned over to DSS Director Brenda Potts.

NEW BUSINESS-Ms. Potts introduced Edward Mulnix, he came before the board for a Motion to Approve the Benefit Diversion Program, and he gave a brief background on the program to the board as in the previous year that this is a onetime lump sum payment, the client could be in a crisis and this check could divert them from public assistance. Benefit Diversion provides an opportunity for families to receive immediate help and preserve their independence from public assistance.

Motion to approve to continue the offering of the Benefit Diversion Program was made by Board member Dalrymple.

Aye: Amy Dalrymple, Paul Utley, David Riddle and Ophelia Livingston (Absent from the vote Gail Dickens).

Nay: None

Ms. Potts, Introduced new Fiscal Officer, Angelina Noel. Angelina went through the 2017-2018 budget book for which was the first draft and this would be presented to the county manager. The budget as presented in the first draft contains, a 2.0% COLA, 1 new Social Worker Position and 2 reclassifications. After a detailed review of the budget and questions answered, Ms. Potts asked the board for a motion to accept the 2017-2018 budget as presented before them. Member Dalrymple made a motion to approve as presented.

Aye: Amy Dalrymple, Paul Utley, David Riddle and Ophelia Livingston (Absent from the vote Gail Dickens).

Nay: None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT- Ms. Potts asked the board to look in their board packages for her formal letter of resignation effective June 30, 2017. I had already spoken with you concerning going out in April after the budget was finished, however when Mr. Crumpton and I talked he felt it best if I stayed until after the entire budget process. I explained to him that I had some commitments I needed to do that was the reason for going out earlier. At that time I asked if I could work a flex schedule (B-11) 4 days 10 hours per week depending on what was going on. If I found that there were times this wasn't going to be possible, that would be fine. He agreed as long as I have coverage and okay with my board. So I am asking that you consider a flex schedule of 4 day 10 hour work week for me when possible. Member Dalrymple made a motion to approve as presented the director hours 4 days 10 hours per week when possible.

Aye: Amy Dalrymple, Paul Utley, David Riddle and Ophelia Livingston (Absent from the vote Gail Dickens).

Nay: None

CLOSED SESSION-Member Utley move for the Board to go into closed session to consider a personnel matter per N.C. General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6);

Member Dalrymple seconded the motion. Upon a vote the results were as follows:

Aye: Amy Dalrymple, Paul Utley, David Riddle and Ophelia Livingston (Absent from the vote Gail Dickens).

Nay: None

Chairperson Riddle ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously and the Board was in closed session.

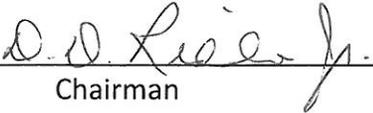
Upon returning from closed session, the regular meeting resumed with members, Riddle, Utley, Dalrymple and Livingston.

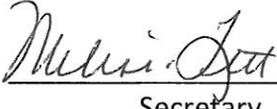
With no further business to come before the board, Chairperson Riddle moved to adjourn the meeting. upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Ophelia Livingston, David Riddle, Amy Dalrymple and Paul Utley (Absent from the vote Gail Dickens)

Nay: None

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


Chairman


Secretary