

CASWELL COUNTY

SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Caswell County Department of Social Services Board held its monthly meeting on January 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Caswell County Department of Social Services. In attendance were: Mrs. Patricia Thompson, Mr. David Shatterly; Mr. David Owen; Ms. Kayre Watson, Administrative Assistant and Ms. Dianne Moorefield, Secretary to the Board. Absent from the meeting was Mr. Jeremiah Jeffries, Chairman and Mrs. Ethel Gwynn. Tammy Paschal, Administrative Assistant was also absent from the meeting.

Board Members were informed that in Mr. Kenneth Travis' departure from the Board as Vice-Chairman, a new Vice Chairman needed to be appointed. Upon a motion by Mr. Shatterly and second by Mrs. Thompson, Mr. David Owen was nominated and elected as Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Owen called the meeting to Order and upon a motion by Mrs. Thompson and second by Mr. Shatterly the Agenda for the Meeting was approved. Minutes of the Meeting held December 18, 2018 were approved upon a motion by Mrs. Thompson and second by Mr. Shatterly. There was no public address to the Board.

In Action Items, Budget Amendment #6, an additional CP&L Energy allocation was approved upon a motion by Mr. Shatterly and second by Mrs. Thompson. Board Members reviewed Trust Fund Accounts and approved them upon a motion by Mrs. Thompson and second by Mr. Shatterly.

It was reported that \$16.94 was paid in overtime in the January payroll. It was also reported that a total of 519 households were approved for the LIEAP program. Of these, 287 households contained elderly/disabled individuals and 232 were general population households.

Board Members were informed of Mrs. Florence Vereen's retirement from the Adult Services Unit and that the Social Worker position has been posted. Mr. Shatterly shared very positive comments on Mrs. Vereen's work with her clients. Board Members were also informed of the Judicial Redistricting and that Caswell is now paired with Rockingham County rather than Person County. It was also shared that our Juvenile Court days have been reduced from two days per month to one day per month which will require advance planning in meeting federally mandated timelines for court hearings.

A copy of the flier being distributed by the State as part of their attempt to inform FNS recipients that they will receive their February FNS benefits in January was shared with the Board. Helping customers understand that they will not receive additional benefits in February is very important. Board Members expressed concern about recipients needing to budget these benefits wisely.

It was announced that 650 people were served through the Med Assist distribution program on January 10, 2018. It was also reported that 2 (two) staff volunteered to assist at the Providence Warming Shelter on January 14, 2019. Appreciation was expressed on behalf of staff for the very nice box of fruit that Board Members provided at the holiday.

Supervisors attended the meeting and reported on work within their Units. All Supervisors attended except for Mrs. Michelle Waddell who was on approved leave.

Mr. Owen shared that he attended a Legislative Goal setting meeting in Raleigh and one of the goals strongly supported is the reversal of the Memorandum of Understanding between the State and Counties.

Mr. Owen shared his ideas on a program he would like to see implemented in Caswell County. He would like to explore the possibility off creating a group of volunteers who would recognize the birthdays of the county's foster children. He believes it is important for the county to develop a sense of ownership to promote the wellbeing of our foster children.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Social Services Board is scheduled for February 19, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Department of Social Services.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Thompson and second by Mr. Shatterly, the meeting of the Social Services Board was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Mr. Jeremiah Jeffries, Chairman

X Dianne C. Moorefield

Dianne C. Moorefield, Secretary

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