Macon County Social Services Board

October 16, 2019 Minutes

Call to Order

Patrick Betancourt called the regular meeting of the Macon County Social Services Board to order. Members in attendance were: Lisa Leatherman, Anne Hyder, Evelyn Southard, Patrick Betancourt, Secretary to the Board and Cathy Makinson, Business Officer designated to record minutes. Additionally, Jennifer Hollifield was present to give Program Information on Senior Services.

Minutes

September minutes were approved on motion by Anne Hyder and second by Evelyn Southard.

Program Reports

Jennifer Hollifield shared several documents and photos of Senior Services information and activities. Currently there are 11 full-time (FT) employees, 5 part-time (PT) employees, 4 senior aides and over 50 volunteers primarily utilized in home-delivered meals. Currently there is a PRN vacancy in Adult Daycare (ADC) and one senior aide vacancy. Jennifer explained the senior aide program where individuals are hired through the State of Franklin at minimum wage, up to 20 hours per week for a maximum of 4 years.

Jennifer shared she has implemented a monthly all staff meeting, annual evaluations on PT staff, Shining Star employee recognition, monthly Funshine events and they have adopted East Franklin School donating collected school supplies. Jennifer went on to highlight each program area at the Crawford Senior Center including Care Connection Adult Day Program, Community Resource Center, Congregate Meals, Home Delivered Meals, SHIIP Program, Senior Protection Program, STARR Program, Project Lifesaver, Options Counseling, special events and all the classes and activities offered to seniors over the age of 50. Jennifer also talked about current challenges including the need for space and additional parking, the lack of an overhead porta cache, the building not all on one level and elevator issues and the round-about construction. They continue to work towards their recertification as a Center Of Excellence which is to be evaluated every 5 years, the next being in 2021.

Financials

Business Officer, Cathy Makinson provided the analysis of FY 18-19. There was a \$427,777 overall county savings which included the 3 vehicles purchased at year end and the addition of two social work positions midyear. Of the \$427,777, Special Assistance unspent funds were \$80,005 and \$27,904 in foster care savings for a remaining \$319,868 in county savings. Cathy also asked for Board approval of a new Medicaid Transportation contract provider. Transit continues to be our primary provider and the new contract will provide service when Transit is not available. Evelyn Southard made motion to approve, Lisa Leatherman seconded, motion carried. Monthly financials were provided in the Board books.

Old Business

Due to a lack of time, the only old business mentioned was in reference to Medicaid Transformation. Patrick informed the Board that a contract employee of Maximus, the enrollment broker, will begin on Monday, 10/21 to assist clients in selecting their new Medicaid broker.

New Business

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Agenda was revised to allow for earlier closed session due to the need for board members to adjourn early today. Anne Hyder made a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel information as allowed under G.S. 143-318.11. Lisa Leatherman seconded, and motion carried.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 20th, 2019, at 8:30am in the Administrative Conference Room at the Human Services Building.

APPROVED BY:	
Chairman Date	Secretary Date