Macon County Social Services Board April 22, 2009 Minutes

Social Services Board met this date for monthly meeting. Members in attendance were Dom D'Ascoli, Wendy Dalton, Mark West and Secretary. Chairman D'Ascoli called meeting to order.

Secretary thanked the Board members for hosting the DSS Employee Appreciation Breakfast and showing their appreciation of the staff.

Minutes

Board minutes of the regular and closed meeting sessions held on March 18, 2009 were approved on motion of Mark West and second by Wendy Dalton.

Financials

Month to date financials were reviewed. County Manager and Finance Director are in process of reviewing requested DSS budget for FY '09-'10. No further information has been received on potential state funding cuts; however, county is concerned about revenue forecast for next fiscal year in many program areas.

Old Business

Board was apprised of recently completed and pending audits. QC review of the Family and Children's Medicaid records found no errors. The Food and Nutrition Management Evaluation has been completed but the final report is not yet available. The Child and Family Services Review will be held the first week of June. The Child and Adult Care Food Program review for Adult Day Care program will be held May 27-28.

Caseloads in all programs continue to rise. The Macon Citizens Help Line received 188 calls in March with the primary request being assistance with heat, followed by requests for assistance with rent and mortgage.

New Business

Wendy Dalton's appointment to the Social Services Board expires June 30, 2009. Mrs. Dalton is eligible for an additional 3 year term. Mark West made motion to re-appoint Wendy Dalton for 3 years and Dom D'Ascoli seconded. Motion carried.

Additional federal funding for Food and Nutrition Services administration through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act has been awarded to counties with Macon DSS receiving approximately \$28,000. This funding will be used for the new case worker position hired in January due to caseload growth, which is at risk of being eliminated due to the worsening revenue projections.

Board received annual Civil Rights training in compliance with Child and Adult Care Food Program standards.

Closed Session

Board went into Closed Session to discuss personnel and confidential case information on motion of Mark West and second by Wendy Dalton. Board returned from Closed Session.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is being rescheduled from May 20, the third Wednesday in May, to Wednesday, May 27 at 9:00 in the DSS Administrative Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED BY:

Chairman/Date

Secretary/Date