

The Northampton County Board of Social Services met in the Board Room of the Social Services Building on April 16, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm. Present were Edith Johnson, Chairman, John Williams, Vice Chair, H. Spencer Murray, Board Member & Mozella Francis, Director.

On a motion by Mr. Williams, the minutes of the March 19, 2019 meeting were approved with no noted changes. There was no public comment or correspondence.

The Board was provided a copy of the 2018-19 budget. The budget is right in line as predicted, with no notable outliers. The end of April will see a few larger than normal expenditures. Computer software contracts are expiring and will need to be renewed and some new computer hardware will be needed as well.

The Board was given an update on the Benefits programs. All departments are operating at status quo with no significant changes or developments, other than the Benefits department which continues to see a steady influx of new Medicaid applications – 600+ potential new Medicaid cases to date and nearly all of the Benefits case workers are at the 300 case work load threshold.

Mrs. Francis made the Board aware that on May 14th, the Agency will have its next scheduled QAA

Review for CPS/Foster Care/ IV-E as we have every 90 days.

Mrs. Francis advised the Board that she is a member of the Fatality Team Review. Cases of suspected overdose are referred to the team from the Commonwealth Attorney's Office for review. Mrs. Francis breaks down for the panel, the interaction between the Agency and the client to see if there were any tell-tale signs of drug abuse.

On a motion by Board Member Spencer Murray, the Board went into Closed Session in accordance with Section 2.1-344 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, for the purpose of discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining appointees or employees of any public body.

The Board returned to Open Session.

There was one motion coming out of Closed Session:

Motion #1 by Vice Chairman John Williams was to accept the FY 19/20 Employee Compensation Plan for NCDSS. Board Member Spencer Murray seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote certifying to the best of each member's knowledge, only public matters exempted from the public meeting and in the original motion

were discussed. The vote was Chairman Johnson: yes, Vice Chair Williams: yes, Board Member Murray: yes.

Mrs. Francis will be in the office until the next scheduled Board Meeting except for the VLSSE Conference in Harrisonburg May 7-10th.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

Edith Johnson, Chairman
May 21, 2019

Attested by _____
Mozella F. Francis
Director

