

The Northampton County Board of Social Services met in the Board Room of the Social Services Building on February 20, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am. Present were Edith Johnson, Vice Chair, John Williams, Board Member, H. Spencer Murray, Board Member and Mozella Francis, Director.

On a motion by Mr. Williams, the minutes of the January 16, 2018 meeting were approved with no noted changes. There was no public comment or correspondence.

The Board was provided a copy of the 2017-18 budget. Agency expenditures are currently right on target with the estimates. A 2018/2019 budget request has been submitted to John Chandler, Director of Finance for Northampton County.

Mrs. Francis informed the Board that a new Family Services Specialist II was hired – February 5, 2018 being her first day. This hire makes Family Services fully staffed.

The Board was given a summary of the pending system change of DMIS bulk uploading. The State has requested a unified system of uploading documents. Switching over will be costly, but will ultimately save the agency time spent uploading files and will be a paperless system.

Mrs. Francis spoke on what it would mean for the agency if Medicaid Expansion, as outlined in the Governor's Budget, were to be passed. Medicaid Expansion would likely mean 250 – 400 new Medicaid cases. That is the equivalent to the case load of one case worker. The agency will be ready to absorb the case load increase should Medicaid Expansion pass.

On a motion by Board Member John Williams, 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.

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 Vice Chair Johnson: yes, Williams: yes and Murray: yes.

Upon exiting Closed Session, Mr. Williams made motion to appoint Mrs. Johnson as Chairman. The motion was seconded by Mr. Murray. Mr. Murray then made motion to appoint Mr. Williams as Vice Chairman and that motion was seconded by Mrs. Johnson.

Mrs. Francis will be out of the office on March 12th to attend the Regional Director's Meeting in Norfolk.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Edith Johnson, Chairman
March 20, 2018

Attested by _____
Mozella F. Francis
Director