

The Northampton County Board of Social Services met in the Board Room of the Social Services Building on November 14, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 9:00am. Present were William Denny, Chairman, Edith Johnson, Vice Chair, John Williams, Board Member and Mozella Francis (via telephone), Director.

On a motion by Mr. Williams, the minutes of the October 17, 2017 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 on an even pace with last year and right on course with the budget projections. Public Assistance IV-E is running constant with last year's figures according to the number of children the agency supports. Fostering Futures expenditures are up due to the increased needs of our foster child who is receiving services.

Mrs. Francis briefed the Board on the amended mission of the VIEW Plan. The agency's VIEW Plan will be adjusted to align with the more goal oriented plan that the state wants. Career services, resume guidance and transportation assistance will all be placed as the core focus of the plan.

The Board was informed of the agency holiday schedule. For Thanksgiving the agency will be closed

half a day on Wednesday November 22nd and all of Thursday & Friday November 23rd & 24th. Mrs. Francis asked the Board if the agency could have a half day vacation on Friday 12/22. On a motion by Chairman Denny, the Board all voted yes to the half day vacation. The agency will also be closed on December 26 & 27 for Christmas and January 1 & 2, 2018 for New Years.

The Board was updated on agency staffing. There is an ad running in the Eastern Shore Post for an additional Family Service Specialist. Olivia Collins, Family Service Supervisor, has had to fill in and assume duties of Foster Care Family Services Worker, due to unexpected illness which would have rendered the department understaffed. Naudya Mapp was called upon to come back part-time, for a brief stint, to help keep the agency cover the vacancy and maintain compliance.

On a motion by Chairman William Denny, 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 Chairman Denny: yes, Vice Chair Johnson: yes and Williams: yes.

There were no action items at this time.

Mrs. Francis informed the Board that she will be out of the office on 12/12/2017 for the Regional Director's Meeting in Norfolk, Va.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Attested by _____
William Denny, Chairman
December 19, 2017
Mozella F. Francis
Director

