

**LEE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
BOARD MEETING**

September 24, 2013

The Board of Social Services for the Lee County Department of Social Services convened at 12:00 noon, in the Board of Commissioner's Room at the Lee County Government Center, 106 Hillcrest Drive, Sanford, North Carolina. Board members present were Ophelia Livingston, Gail Dickens, and Paul Utley. Board member David Riddle was absent and Commissioner Charles Parks participated via phone. Also present was Ex-Officio member Brenda Potts.

Chairperson Livingston called the meeting to order and opened the meeting with the serenity prayer.

The Board considered changes to the September agenda. With no changes made, the agenda was approved as presented.

The Board considered changes to the July and August Minutes. With no changes made, the Minutes were approved as presented.

The meeting was turned over to DSS Director Brenda Potts. Mrs. Potts introduced County Attorney Neil Yarborough, and Law Clerk Kerry Schmid.

PUBLIC COMMENT - No one signed up to speak during the Public Comments section of the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION - Chairperson Livingston moved for the Board to go into closed session to consider a personnel matter per N.C. General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6); to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential under NC General Statute, Chapter 126-per NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(1); and to consult with Board's attorney in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the Board and the attorney per NC General Statute 143-318.11(a)(3). Mr. Utley seconded the motion. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

Aye: Livingston, Dickens, Utley, and Parks (via phone)
Nay: None

Chairperson Livingston ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously and the Board was in closed session.

Upon returning from closed session, the regular meeting resumed with members Livingston, Dickens and Utley present.

OLD BUISNESS-

Non- Emergency Medicaid Transportation-The contracts have been extended until October 31, 2013. Medicaid will only pay for the cheapest method of transportation.

In other business, Mrs. Potts explained that the Affordable Health Care Act will begin October 1. At this time it is still unclear how busy this will make Social Services, but a third window has been set up for those that come in asking questions. Information and resources will be given out and an application will

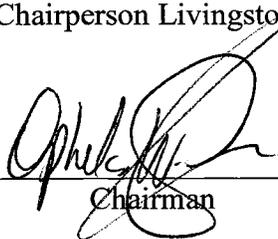
be taken for those that clearly need help. However, once an application is taken there is only 45 days to process. At this time there is no policy in place nor is one expected until the middle of November.

With no further business to come before the Board, Member Dickens moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Utley. Upon a vote, the results were as follows:

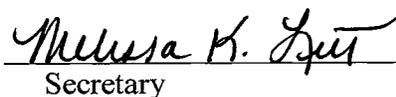
Aye: Livingston, Dickens & Utley

Nay: None

Chairperson Livingston ruled the motion had been adopted unanimously and the meeting adjourned.



Chairman



Secretary