

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

**February 18, 2014**

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, Paul Utley, David Riddle, Gail Dickens and Commissioner Charles Parks. 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 February agenda. With changes made, the agenda was approved as amended.

The Board considered changes to the January Minutes. With Mr. Utley asking for a correction, the change was amended, the Minutes were approved as corrected.

The meeting was turned over to DSS Director Brenda Potts.

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

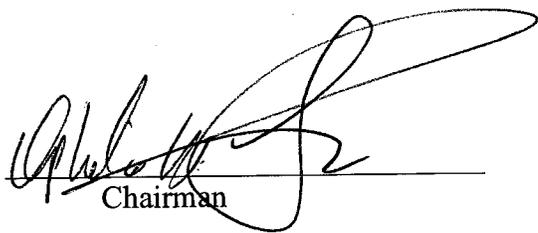
**NEW BUSINESS**-Mrs. Potts introduced Lisa Shearer, Child Protective Services Supervisor and Margaret Johnson, Child Protective Services/Foster Care Supervisor. Lisa presented information to the board concerning the need for another supervisor in Child Protective Services. With the increase in cases and them being more and more difficult the ratio to supervisor is too great for an error to occur. Lisa offered statistics for 2013 Children's Services reports from January through December. The information showed the steady increase in reports, the courtesies (to other counties), assessments, in home, foster care children and the adoption of children. Mrs. Potts explained that she had in her mind what to do in the budget of 2014-2015, to request a CPS Supervisor and a Foster Care Social Worker, however doesn't think this will occur since being told by the county manager that the need is to cut the budget by 2%. Mrs. Potts also explained to the board that in last night's commissioner's meeting the board approved 4 new income maintenance positions, (One in Food and Nutrition and three in Medicaid.) The new positions will help cut down on compensatory time that has been accruing especially with the Food and Nutrition staff, and the reimbursement will be 75% match.

**OLD BUSINESS**-Medicaid Transportation Federal Audit will be February 27, 2014.

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

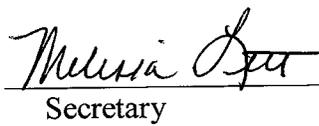
Aye: All  
Nay: None

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



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Chairman



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Secretary