

MORTON COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE BOARD MINUTES

DATE: October 23, 2018

TIME: 10:15 am

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Del Wetsch, Rose Mary Lawson, Andy Zachmeier and Edgar Oliveira

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Ron Leingang

OTHERS PRESENT: Dennis Meier, MCSS Director, Brittany Slack, Office Assistant III

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Del Wetsch. A motion was made by Board Member, Rose Mary Lawson, to approve the October 23, 2018 Agenda. Board Member, Edgar Oliveira, seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Board Member, Andy Zachmeier, to approve the September 25, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes and the October 11, 2018 Special Board Meeting Minutes. Board Member, Rose Mary Lawson, seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

Board Member, Edgar Oliveira, moved to approve all October 2018 bills. Board Member, Andy Zachmeier, seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion Carried.

BUDGET REVIEW

Dennis Meier, MCSS Director, distributed the Expenditure Guideline for September 2018 to the Board Members. Discussion followed. Total September 2018 Social Service Expenditures were \$244,295.47.

ADULT SERVICES REPORT

Dennis Meier, MCSS Director, distributed Current Case Count for Adult Services, Adult Foster Homes, CSHS, and Child Care Providers for September 2018.

INCOME MAINTENANCE UNIT REPORT

Brenda Peterson, Eligibility Supervisor, distributed the Summary of SNAP statistics for September 2018; Summary of Economic Assistance Program Activity report from September 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018 and Unduplicated Economic Assistance Caseload Report from October 1, 2017 through October 1, 2018.

FOSTER CARE/IN-HOME REPORT

Natalie Anderson, Foster Care Supervisor, distributed the Foster Care/In-Home Caseload Total Report from January 2018 through September 2018. Social Worker Case Management and Parent Aide Case Totals from April 2018 through September 2018. Also, the Foster Home Report which includes total number of licensed homes, homes in process of licensure and inquiries.

CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES REPORT

Jenny Wetsch, CPS Supervisor, distributed the Monthly Child Protection Assessments from January 2016 through September 2018 and Morton County Child Protection Reports from September 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Emergency Temp Positions for Foster Care Licensing and Child Protection Services (Review)

Dennis Meier, MCSS Director, will continue to provide the board with monthly updates regarding expenditures utilized to fund both emergency temp positions.

Senate Bill 2206 Committee Work Update

Dennis Meier, MCSS Director, discussed a meeting he and Chairperson, Del Wetsch, had with ND Senator Dwight Cook. Discussion Followed.

Total number of MCSS cases all programs combined for September 2018 is as follows: Current cases = 3292, opened cases = 276 and closed cases = 188.

Board Member, Andy Zachmeier, motioned to adjourn the meeting. Board Member, Edgar Oliveira, seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The next Board Meeting is Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Documents provided to the Morton County Social Services Board on this date will be made available to the public upon request.

De! Wetsch
Chairperson

Brittany Slack
Office Assistant III