

MORTON COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE BOARD MINUTES

DATE: May 31, 2016

TIME: 10:09 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Del Wetsch, Andy Zachmeier, Rose Mary Lawson, and Ernie Fitterer

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Ron Leingang

OTHERS PRESENT: Dennis Meier MCSS Director, Patsi Seerup MCSS Recorder

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Del Wetsch. A motion was made by Board member, Ernie Fitterer, to approve the May 31, 2016 Agenda and the April 26, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes. Board member, Andy Zachmeier, seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion approved.

A motion was made by Board member, Rose Mary Lawson, to pay the May 2016 bills. Board member, Ernie Fitterer, seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

SPACES PHASE II UPDATE

Dennis Meier provided the Board Members a May statement from Deb Weigel, Eligibility Worker I, regarding how the SPACES Phase II project is going and the progress of the system. Deb is working two days a week at the ND Department of Human Services in an effort to assist with phase II of the SPACES Program. Deb reports what she is learning will be helpful for all MCSS Eligibility workers once Phase II of SPACES goes live. Deb has no concerns keeping up with her interoffice duties here at MCSS.

PAYROLL REIMBURSEMENT FOR BOARD MEMBERS

Dawn Rhone, Morton County Auditor, has requested if the Board Members would consider being paid once a year instead of monthly. Board Members, Del Wetsch, Ernie Fitterer and Rose Mary Lawson agreed to receiving payment once a year.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES ON WEBSITE

The Board proceeded to have a discussion regarding confidentiality and what should be included in the Board Minutes. Gabrielle Goter, Morton County Assistant State Attorney, will be asked to the June 28th Board Meeting for further discussion and clarification of legal opinion.

NEW BUSINESS:

BUDGET REVIEW

Dennis distributed the Expenditure Guideline for April 2016 to the Board Members. Discussion followed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Discussion was held regarding obtaining Board approval to pay safety permanency fund requests. There will be follow up with Dawn Rhone, Morton County Auditor, regarding this matter.
2. Dennis informed the Board Members Morton County Social Services is in compliance with the Fair Labor Standard Act pertaining exempt employee status.
3. It was requested by Board Member Andy Zachmeier to add having the Morton County Board Meetings in the Morton County Commissioners room on the June 28, 2016 Agenda.

Board member, Andy Zachmeier made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Board member, Rose Mary Lawson, seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The next Board Meeting is Tuesday, June 28, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Del Wetsch
Chairperson

Patsi Seerup
Recorder