

DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES
Work Session Minutes
August 15, 2013

The Durham County Board of Social Services held a work session on Thursday, August 15, 2013, 9:00 a.m., at 300 North Duke Street conference room 2307. The following DSS Board Members were in attendance: Chair Dr. Tara L. Fikes, Vice Chair Newman Aguiar, Board members Helen J. Berry, and Jane Volland.

Board member Commissioner Wendy Jacobs received excused absence.

The DCDSS Department was represented by Director Michael A. Becketts and Montrella Springfield.

Cora Wilson, Human Resources Director attended the work session.

Chair Tara L. Fikes called the work session to order.

No public comments.

The Proposed Agenda was approved.

DSS Board Regular Meeting Proposed Agenda - August

The DSS Board Regular scheduled meeting is August 28, 2013. The items listed below will be added to the agenda.

- Proposed Legislative Drug Testing for DSS Clients
- DSS Board Policy and Procedure
- DSS Move/Board Member Parking
- EDCI
- Closed Session

Cora Wilson, Human Resources Director

The Human Resource Director was invited to facilitate guidelines and procedures on the performance evaluation for County Directors. An overview of the process was communicated to the DSS Board.

NCFAST

Representatives from the USDA were at Duke Street meeting with DSS staff regarding NC FAST issues.

East Durham Community Initiative (EDCI) Proposal

According to data received from the 2010 Census approximately 1080 children ages 0-4 years qualifies for services. Director Becketts met with Durham Partnership for Children Director and Child Care Services Director. No additional funding is available at the State.

Changes in the priority list have to be approved by the State before implementing. There is not a timeframe for receiving approval from the State. Director Becketts will craft a formal recommendation to the Board for discussion at the August monthly meeting.

Chair Dr. Tara L. Fikes moved to adjourn the work session to closed session. Board member Jane Volland stated the statue, "The Board will adjourn to closed session to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee, pursuant to G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(6)". The motion was seconded by Board member Helen J. Berry. With a unanimous vote the Board moved to closed session at 10:50 am. The meeting returned to open session with no action taken.

Respectfully submitted

Chairperson

Date

Secretary to the Board

Date