

# Shenandoah County Department of Social Services

## Board Minutes

### March 22, 2024

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The Shenandoah County Department of Social Services met on March 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the agency Board Room. Board Members participating in person were Jim Fitzsimmons, Tim Taylor, Nancy Barnett, Nate Robinson, Dr. Claudia Methvin, Beth DeLullo, Lara Mason, Kezia Sweet, Absent: Sharon Baroncelli

#### Open Session:

- A. Jim Fitzsimmons called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- B. Nate Robinson made a motion to approve the agenda with the date changed to February 23, 2024, for the Minutes., Nancy Barnett seconded the motion. The agenda was approved.
- C. The minutes from the February meeting were reviewed. Nate Robinson moved that the minutes be approved. Nancy Barnett seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.
- D. Lara Mason presented administrative bills for March 2024. Dr. Claudia Methvin made a motion to accept the bills as presented for payment. Nancy Barnett seconded the motion. The administrative bills were approved.
- E. Beth DeLullo presented the need to change the check signing authority to Rachel Taylor due to the departure of Brenda Nowlin. Tim Taylor made a motion to change the check signing authority to Rachel Taylor. Dr. Claudia Methvin seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
- F. Beth DeLullo presented the Director's Report.
  - Beth advised that we are currently on notice by the courts for 16 kids as a result of CHINS petitions. We are not adequately staffed to manage these additional cases in addition to our mandate of Child Protective Services. A CPS staff was recently taken off her CPS caseload to manage and find placements for on notice cases. If this continues, Beth is concerned that this places vulnerable children at risk of further abuse/neglect which could lead to a child being seriously injured or worse.

At 10:48 a.m. Nate Robinson made a motion to enter Executive Session Nancy Barnett seconded, and the Motion carried.

Executive Session: (Code of VA 63.2-102-63.2-105 & 2.2-3711) to discuss personnel matters.

- A. Personnel (1)

At 11:00 a.m. Meeting was reconvened to open session and members certified as to legality and content of Executive Session.

The meeting adjourned @ 11:04 a.m.

Schedule for upcoming board meetings:

March 22 @ 9 a.m. was set for the March Meeting ,

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Chairperson

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Director