



MEETING MINUTES

May 19, 2026

6:30 P.M.

Development Services Bldg., Room 107 a/b

**ABSENT FROM MEETING*

*** ATTENDED MEETING VIRTUALLY*

Open Meeting

Chair Laurie Wilson opened the meeting at 6:41 PM.

Approval of Minutes-

The minutes from the April 21, 2026, meeting were reviewed [IO, LHT motioned to approve; could not be approved as the other two members present were not present at the April 21, 2026 meeting] April 21, 2026 minutes will need to be approved at the June meeting.

Public Comment

None

Presentation

Dana Carey and Tony Turnage from Homeless Services presented on CoC (Continuum of Care). A PowerPoint was sent to board members that detailed the following:

- CoC definition. DSS is the CoC lead that includes PWC, MC and MP
- History and Growth of Coc- PWC became lead in 2016.
- Homeless Response System
- Coordinated Entry Cards (English and Spanish) were provided
- CoC Resource Guide- on PWC Government website and QR code on CoC card
- Roles and Responsibilities
- PW Area CoC residency Policy
- Demand on the system
- Emergency Shelter System
- Homeless Navigation Center East and West Updates
- Mobile Drop-In West
- Joining the CoC and the Civic Roundtable
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Action Items

None

Chairman's Time

Chair Laurie Wilson lead discussion and review of a DSS AB draft attendance policy for this board, and amending the Charter. Point of discussion included:

- Specific member not present for over a year
- If a member cannot fulfill their duty they should let their appointing authority know
- Continued absences effects the Board's ability to vote on items
- Members are paid for their participation

Motion to approve the Attendance Requirements as amended [IO, LHT; Unanimous]

Director Phyllis Jennings-Holt will inquire as to whether the Charter can be updated to include this attendance policy now, or if it needs to wait until January 2027.

Chair Laurie Wilson brought forward the FY26 3rd Quarter report for discussion; there were not questions.

Director's Time

Phyllis Jennings-Holt made several announcements:

- Tonight is Julie Blakely's last meeting as she is retiring
- Introduction of Tiffany Woodard as the new Administrative Coordinator for the DSS Director
- Today Director Jennings-Holt presented to the BOCS an update on the Panhandling initiative. Information on the Panhandling signs was given to include that Outreach helped determine sign (12) locations; worked with VDOT; this is 30 day temporary pilot to collect data.
- April 25th was the Father-Daughter Dance put on by the Fatherhood initiative. Deputy Director Holly Handy reported that it was a girl power theme, using the Wizard of Oz. Judge Lucas of JDR Court spoke. There were 250 registered to attend and about 190 were present. The event has already been booked for April 25, 2027.
- Streetlight Ministries Supportive Shelter was in crisis, but is now resolved. Crisis was that their liability insurance was terminated. Some board members had additional information that because one of the houses has been renovated that they have 30 days to get sprinklers installed or the insurance my lapse.
- The Beat The Odds Event is May 20, 2026 at the Two Silos Event Center. Three DSS teens have been nominated. Director Jennings-Holt will send out the details of Event to board members.
- May 29th is the DSS Full Staff Event. It will be held at Camp Snyder- 6100 Antioch Rd., Haymarket from 9am-1230pm. Ms. Wilson and Ms. Fauls have indicated they plan to attend.

Board Members' Time

- Idris O'Connor announced that Manassas Baptist Church sold their Middle School where hypothermia Shelter was run. This program will have to be moved by November, 2027.
- Idris O'Connor also reminded the group that there had been previous discussion regarding the possibility of changing the day or week that DSS AB meets to avoid BOCS meeting conflicts. This will be on the agenda to discuss in June.

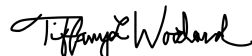
Executive Session

None

Adjournment

MOTION made to adjourn the meeting [IO; CT, unanimous]. Chair Laurie Wilson adjourned the meeting at 8:13 PM.

APPROVED: _____



Clerk to Board