PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY
BOARD OF SOCIAL
SERVICES MEETING
MINUTES
April 15, 2014
Development Services Building – Room 202

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
George Orr
Hilda Barg
Margaret Covington Mary
Beth Michos
Hammad Khan
Kevin Raymond
Greg White

MEMBERS ABSENT:
None.

DEPARTMENT STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:
Janine Sewell
Kay Taylor
Lisa Tatum
Levi Bass
Phyllis Jennings-Holt
Charles Toothman Victor Evans
Linda Meier

COUNTY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:
Michelle Robl, Deputy County Attorney

Chairman Orr opened the meeting at 6:31 PM.

MINUTES:
MOTION by Mrs. Michos and seconded by Mrs. Barg to approve the minutes of April 1, 2014. Motion approved.

CITIZEN’S TIME:
None.

MOTION made by Hilda Barg and seconded by Margaret Covington to move into Executive Session at 6:34 PM. Motion passed.
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

WHEREAS, the Social Services Board desires to discuss in Executive Session matters relating to confidential Departmental Program-related issues; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 VA Code such discussions may occur in Executive Session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Social Services Board does hereby authorize discussion of the afore-stated matter in Executive Session.

CERTIFICATION:

WHEREAS, the Social Services Board has this day adjourned into Executive Session in accordance with a formal vote of the Board and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and,

WHEREAS, the Freedom of Information Act requires certification that such Executive Session was conducted in conformity with the law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William County Social Services Board does hereby certify that to the best of each members knowledge; (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Freedom of Information Act were discussed in the Executive Session to which this certification applies, and; (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the Motion by which the said Executive Session was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the Board. No member dissents from the afore-stated certification.

MOTION made by Hilda Barg and seconded by Kevin Raymond to certify this Executive Session. Motion passed.

MOTION made by Hilda Barg and seconded by Greg White to move out of Executive Session at 8:12 PM. Motion passed.

No actions were taken during the Executive Session.

DISCUSSION:
D-1 VDOT Feasibility Study of Pedestrian Improvements along Dale Blvd

George Orr discussed the memo received from VDOT regarding the estimate to provide a pedestrian walkway near the Winter Shelter. Mr. Orr inquired if we had had any more incidents happen along the current path. The idea of putting up a fence was discussed but, as it has been tried before and failed, was dismissed. Due to the high cost, proposed by VDOT, to build a sidewalk of some type near the Winter Shelter, George Orr recommended that we table the idea for now.
DIRECTOR’S TIME:
DT-1 Facility Dog Training

Janine informed the Board that Facility Dog Training took place at our Sudley North location last Thursday and Friday by the two founders of Courthouse Dogs Foundation, Seattle, Washington. Over 100 people attended the training over the 2 days, including people from the legal and law enforcement communities, Community Partners and DSS staff.

DT-2 Judges Meeting-June

Our Annual Judges meeting will take place on June 17. We usually give the judges an overview of RSD, but this year would like to take the opportunity to tell the judges about Meyer, our facility dog, as we have contacted the Sheriff about bringing him to the courthouse. George Orr said to prepare a few slides about Meyer and a couple of slides about everything else.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Phyllis Jennings-Iliot – Mary Beth Michos came to the Family Services Month celebration and had some very kind words to say. On April 9 we had a pinwheel painting garden event in front of the Ferlazzo building in observation of Child Abuse Prevention Month. Hilda Barg and Mary Beth Michos, many staff, the Washington Post, and County Communications were there.

May 1 is the Foster Parent dinner from 6:30 to 9 P.M. at the Montclair Country Club.

Levi Bass – The Winter Shelter officially closed for the season this morning at 7 AM.

A meet and greet will take place on May 2nd from 9:30 – 12:30 at the Drop In Center. The plan is to have someone from the education, employment and mental health communities to speak to clients about available resources.

Lisa Tatum- This past Saturday concluded the tax prep we were assisting people with. It went smoothly and we are looking to working with some additional partners next year.

Earlier today Lisa attended a meeting regarding a Hunger Council—looking at the issue.

Medicaid processing- there have been problems with applications. Have developed an action plan to address that problem.

Janine Sewell – We will order dinner for our next meeting which will begin at 5 P.M. on May 6th.

BOARD MEMBERS TIME:
Mary Beth Michos-thought the pinwheel garden event was really nice. Wants to invite police and fire and rescue to it next year.
Hilda Barg thought audit report was done well.

George Orr would like to start the next meeting of BOSS on May 6 at 5 PM and go straight into Executive Session to discuss the management response to the audit. We will postpone having our meeting at ACTS to another time. Asked Board members to send him comments in regard to the audit up until May 5.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION** by Mrs. Covington and seconded by Mr. Khan to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

George H. Orr, Chairman  
Prince William County  
Board of Social Services

Janine M. Sewell, Director  
Prince William County  
Department of Social Services