



WAYNE COUNTY DFCS BOARD MEETING
March 19, 2025
Minutes

- I. **The Call of Meeting to Order was done by Dawana Mitchner. Seconded by Susan DeLeGal.**
- II. Roll Call—Members present for the meeting were Dawana Mitchner, Chairman, Susan DeLeGal, Vice-Chairman, Terry Thomas, Linda Hall, Joy Surrency, Autumn Starling, Director F. 'Sandy' Jordan, and LaShalla Wooten. Brandon Williams was absent.
A quorum was established as at least four members were present.
- III. **Reading and Approval of Minutes—February 19, 2025**
Each board member reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. The minutes were approved as read with Susan DeLeGal making the motion to accept the minutes as reviewed and Linda Hall seconded the motion.
- IV. **Approval of County Expenses**
The Board Members reviewed the county expenses for February 2025. Total expenses for February 2025 were \$603.22. Dawana Mitchner motioned to approve for February 2025. Terry Thomas seconded.
- V. **Old Business**
 - A. **New Hire Aleah Valle-** Ms. Valle has resigned from the position and we will be looking to fill that position soon.
- VI. **New Business**
 - A. **OFI Stats as of 02/28/2025**

TANF –
Number of active cases – 21
Number of active clients – 51
Number of applications processed – 5
Monthly of TANF benefits issued - \$8,220.

Food Stamps –
Number of active cases – Regular Food Stamps – 2,082

Number of active cases – Sr. SNAP Food Stamps – 652
Number of active cases – TOTAL – 2,734
Number of active clients – 5,988
Number of applications processed – 177
Monthly Food Stamp benefits issued - \$1,089,126.

Medicaid –

Number of active cases – Family Medicaid – 2,485
Number of active cases – ABD Medicaid – 1,140
Number of active cases – Total Medicaid – 3,625
Number of active clients – 3,625
Number of applications processed – 235.

Social Services Stats as of 02/28/2025

Wayne County had the following:
28 Foster Care cases
6 Investigations
1 CPS Ongoing
2 Family Support
0 Non-Incident Courtesy Interview
1 ICPC – Other State
0 CPS Voluntary Kinship Caregiver
16 OTI – Secondary Assignments

Child Placement Types Active During the Month

Adoptive Home	7
CPA Family Foster Home	3
Child Care Institution	5
DFCS Family Foster Home	8
ICPC – Relative	1
Non-Custodial Parent	8
Other Person	3
Parent/Primary Caretaker	1
Relative – unpaid	7

- B. **Direct Deposit Forms**—Members were given forms to complete for Direct Deposit to make everything easier for members with depositing checks.
- C. **Social Service Appreciation Day**—On March 18th, 2025, we celebrated Social Service Appreciation Day. Director Sandy Jordan presented staff with gifts and lunch to show them that they are indeed appreciated.

- D. **Interim Regional Director and Regional Board Meeting**-Regional Director Shana Lewis is still out on leave, filling in for her is Interim Regional Director Kimberly Denson. Regional Board Meeting has been postponed until further notice.

VII. Board Member Concerns

- A. Mrs. Terry Thomas reported at least two elderly individuals came to her reporting they had lost their Medicaid benefits. Mrs. Thomas questioned if there were problems with the system. Mrs. Thomas was given the correct information to help assist the clients in need of assistance.

VIII. Board Community News

- A. Wayne County Family Connection Meeting will be held on Tuesday at 9:30AM at the Housing Authority building 367 N Bamboo St.
B. Mrs. Susan DeLeGal supplied staff with more Help Me business cards and flyers.

IX. Next Meeting

Next meeting will be on April 16, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

X. Adjournment

With no other business to discuss, the motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dawana Mitchner and seconded by Terry Thomas.

Respectfully,


Dawana Mitchner, Chairman


F. 'Sandy' Jordan, Secretary