



WAYNE COUNTY DFCS BOARD MEETING
September 17, 2025
Minutes

- I. **Meeting Called to Order by Dawana Mitchner. Seconded by Susan DeLeGal.**
- II. Roll Call—Members present for the meeting were Dawana Mitchner, Chairman, Susan DeLeGal, Vice-Chairman, Joy Surrency, Autumn Starling, Linda Hall, Director F. 'Sandy' Jordan, and LaShalla Wooten. Brandon Williams and Terry Thomas were absent.

A quorum was established as at least four members were present.
- III. **Reading and Approval of Minutes—August 20, 2025**
Each board member reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. The minutes were approved as read with Linda Hall making the motion to accept the minutes as reviewed and Susan DeLeGal seconded the motion.
- IV. **Approval of County Expenses**
The Board Members reviewed the county expenses for August 2025. Total expenses for August 2025 were \$1,089.54. Autumn Starling motioned to approve for August 2025. Joy Surrency seconded.
- V. **Old Business**
 - A. **Law Enforcement Meet and Greet**—Our meet and Greet with the local law enforcement was a success. We had a total of 33 people per day. Special thanks to Mrs. Susan DeLeGal for showing up and helping. The event was catered by Hog N Bones. Thanks to all our board members for their support.
 - B. **Transitions in the office**—Interviews were conducted on September 3rd for Child Welfare Services Case Manager 1 and on September 16th for Child Welfare Services Case Manager Supervisor. As of right now candidates have been selected for both positions.
- VI. **New Business**
 - A. **OFI Stats as of 08/31/2025**

TANF –

SAFE CHILDREN. STRENGTHENED FAMILIES. STRONGER GEORGIA.

WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES

F. 'SANDY' JORDAN, COUNTY DIRECTOR

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Number of active cases – 28
Number of active clients – 58
Number of applications processed – 11
Monthly TANF benefits issued - \$9,630

Food Stamps –

Number of active cases – Regular Food Stamps – 2,039
Number of active cases – Sr. SNAP Food Stamps – 665
Number of active cases – TOTAL – 2,704
Number of active clients – 5,854
Number of applications processed – 207
Monthly Food Stamp benefits issued - \$1,058,178

Medicaid –

Number of active cases – Family Medicaid – 2,489
Number of active cases – ABD Medicaid – 1,216
Number of active cases – Total Medicaid – 3,705
Number of active clients – 6,633
Number of applications processed – 224.

Social Services Stats as of 08/31/2025

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

Child Placement Types Active During the Month

Adoptive Home	1
CPA Family Foster Home	3
Child Care Institution	4
DFCS Family Foster Home	9
ICPC – Relative	6
Non-Custodial Parent	1
Other Person	1
Parent/Primary Caretaker	7
Relative – unpaid	2

- B. **Employee Appreciation**-We are planning to show our employees' appreciation and this year we would like to present them with a computer bag. Dawana Mitchner and Susan DeLeGal motion to approve the computer bags with Joy Surrency, Autumn Starling, and Linda Hall seconded.

C. **Regional Board Meeting**-On Monday September 8th, 2025, we were in attendance for the Regional Board Meeting, we were given updates on a new system to where the clients could call in and the system would be able to give them a time to call back in. The next Regional Board meeting will be held on December 2, 2025, at 10AM.

D. **GA Association of DFCS**-The GA Association of DFCS will be hosting a free training Tuesday, September 30, 2025, from 11:30AM-1:30PM.

VII. Board Member Concerns

A. Some of the board members asked if there were other options available to them if they were unable to attend the board meetings in person. CD Jordan will get back to the board members with a decision.

VIII. Board Community News

A. Wayne County Family Connection Meeting will be held on this Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at 9:30AM at the Housing Authority building 367 N Bamboo St.

IX. Next Meeting

Next meeting will be on October 15, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

X. Adjournment

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

Respectfully,



Dawana Mitchner, Chairman



F. 'Sandy' Jordan, Secretary