

WAYNE COUNTY DFCS BOARD MEETING October 15, 2025 Minutes

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

A quorum was established as at least four members were present.

III. Reading and Approval of Minutes-September 17, 2025

Each board member reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. The minutes were approved as read with Dawana Mitchner making the motion to accept the minutes as reviewed and Joy Surrency and Brandon Williams seconded the motion.

IV. Approval of County Expenses

The Board Members reviewed the county expenses for September 2025. Total expenses for September 2025 were \$75.00. Dawana Mitchner motioned to approve for September 2025. Brandon Williams seconded.

V. Old Business

A. **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 seconded.

VI. New Business

A. OFI Stats as of 09/30/2025

TANF -

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 09/30/2025

Wayne County had the following:

16 Foster Care cases

6 Investigations

1 CPS Ongoing

2 Family Support

1 Non-Incident Courtesy Interview

0 ICPC - Other State

0 CPS Voluntary Kinship Caregiver

2 OTI – Secondary Assignments

Child Placement Types Active During the Month

Adoptive Home	3
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. Clark's Kids-Clark's kids are managed by our state office; they provide gifts for foster care children.
- C. Foster Family Christmas Party by Partners in Hope-We will be having our Foster Care Christmas party on Saturday, November 8, 2025, from 10AM-1PM at the Days of Creation Farm. Expenses for the party are \$400. Joy Surrency and

- Susan DeLeGal motion for approval for the expenses with Brandon Williams and Terry Thomas seconded.
- D. **Employee Appreciation Dates-**On Thursday, November 20, 2025, from 12PM-1PM we will be having our employee appreciation at Family Traditions. Joy Surrency motion for approval for the expenses with Brandon Williams seconded.
- E. County Budget-Budget update for Wayne County as of today is \$7,075.32. With that being said we have planned an Employee Christmas Meal from Jersey Mike's Subs and purchase of jackets for December 18, 2025. Joy Surrency motion for approval for the expenses for the Christmas party and Brandon Williams seconded.
- F. Community Christmas Donations-We know a lot of people in our community like to donate to our children for Christmas, we asked that donations please be donated to us by December 1st, 2025.

VII. Board Member Concerns

VIII. Board Community News

- A. Wayne County Family Connection Meeting will be held on this Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at 9:30AM at the Housing Authority building 367 N Bamboo St.
- IX. Next Meeting

Next meeting will be on November 19, 2025 @ 10:00 a.m.

X. Adjournment

With no other business to discuss, the motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Susan DeLeGal and seconded by Brandon Williams.

Respectfully,

Dawana Mitchner, Chairman

F. 'Sandy' Jordan, Secretary