

Rutherford County



Meeting Minutes - Draft - Outline

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

4:00 PM

389 Fairground Road, Spindale, NC 28160

Social Services Board

I. Welcome and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Thompson. Those in attendance were Chairperson Thompson, Vice Chairperson King, and Member Maimone. Member Steele and Member Herndon were absent.

II. Discussion and Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Member Maimone and seconded by Vice Chairperson King to approve the Agenda. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

III. Adoption of Minutes

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson King and seconded by Member Maimone to approve the Minutes. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

IV. Public Comments

No Public Comments

V. Personnel Report

Dr. Marino asked if there were any questions regarding the Personnel Report as presented in the Agenda packet. There were no questions. Mrs. Butler introduced Mrs. Debra Webb, the new receptionist for the Agency, and Mrs. Bridges introduced Mrs. Patti Turner, the new mail assistant for the Agency.

[ID 21-2967](#) **Personnel Report as of 10/15/2021**

Attachments: [Personnel Report As of 10-15-2021](#)

VI. Budget Discussion

Mrs. Price reviewed the budget items as presented in the Agenda packet. She mentioned there is a reimbursement of \$110,000 to be received for the LINKS Special account and when received this will bring the item closer to budget.

[ID 21-2968](#) **Budget Discussion - October 20, 2021**

Attachments: [Budget Discussion - October 20, 2021](#)

[ID 21-2969](#) **Financial Report - September 2021**

Attachments: [Financial Report - September 2021](#)

VII. Service Report

Dr. Marino asked if there were any questions regarding the Service Report as presented in the Agenda packet. There were no questions. He stated there were some additional legislative changes and he would send those to the Board.

[ID 21-2973](#) **Service Report - September 2021**

Attachments: [Service Report - Sept 2021](#)

IX. Program Updates:**1. Social Work**

No updates

2. Economic Services

Mrs. Bridges referred to the attachment in the Agenda packet stating it is a hard time to be getting a new program up and running, referring to the Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP). She stated data is being gathered to share with the vendors and DSS'. If this works, payments will not be coming to the Agency, they will go to the vendor.

[ID 21-2970](#)

Attachments: [Economic Services Updates - October 20, 2021](#)

3. Director's Report

Chairperson Thompson stated their would be a Special Meeting scheduled to discuss the comments from the survey results due to two members not being present.

Dr. Marino stated he wants to examine what is best for Rutherford County and explore options for consolidation opportunities that could result in cost savings and delivery savings. He stated he is not sure where the County is in looking at an employee clinic and it would depend on how closely we work with the Health Department. Chairperson Thompson stated this is something we should explore. Vice Chairperson King stated the County has been considering this for some time. It is costly upfront and there would have to be cross-training. The Commissioners will not know until they study it, also stating he knows it is successful in other Counties; there are lots of thoughts to improve service to the community and to employees. Member Maimone stated he would be happy to see consolidation if it works for the County. Dr. Marino stated he would follow up with Vice Chairperson King to discuss further.

Member Maimone requested a highlight of each report area for the Board.

[ID 21-2971](#) **Legislative Update**

Attachments: [LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - OCTOBER 2021](#)

ID 21-2972 Survey Results

Consolidation Discussion: Leaving no options unexamined for the future

X. Closed Session

No Closed Session

XI. Announcements

No Announcements

XII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25pm.

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson King and seconded by Member Maimone to Adjourn. The motion carried with a unanimous.