

**Forsyth County Department of Social Services Board Minutes**  
**November 28, 2007**

**Present:**

Claudette Weston	Walter Marshall	Dave Plyler	Annette Estrada
Brenda Evans	Gloria Woods	Ava Smith-Pegues	Carol Gearhart
Joe Raymond	Florence Corpening	Blaire Goldstein	Robert S.-Langston

The Call to Order was given by Florence Corpening, Chair.

**Information**

The following new staff was introduced:

Sandra Holloman	Shelia Murphy	Tina Long	Debra Williams
Lisa Jones	Alyssa Wasilewski	Deshawntreas Jones	Karen John

There were no public comments.

**Miscellaneous Director's Report**

The Director reviewed the Data Report focusing on on-going increases in the Food Stamps and Medicaid caseloads.

**Consent**

The October Minutes were approved on a motion by Ms. Weston, second by Mr. Plyler. The Director reported that the Interstate child support issue has been resolved and the D.A.'s office was now signing petitions to get these cases into court.

**Action**

No action was taken.

**Strategic**

The Director discussed DSS's capital request and recent County Commissioner conversations about this request. Mr. Marshall reported that several questions had risen about this request and that it might be useful to make a presentation to the County Commissioners that explains the need for it.

Mr. Marshall suggested sending Leading By Results to the Commissioners prior to their budget talks for next year. Ms. Corpening suggested that we continue to inform the community about programs, challenges and successes.

Carol Gearhart, FC Human Resources Director, presented an overview of the county's new market based pay plan. The Board expressed support for the Director's further analysis and possible recommendations to the County Commissioners to further enhance DSS's the ability to attract and retain highly qualified candidates.

The date for the December board meeting was changed from Wednesday, 12/26 to Wednesday, 12/19 at 8:30am in the 5<sup>th</sup> floor conference room.

The meeting adjourned at 10:07.