



PAMLICO COUNTY

Human Services Center

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Robert S. Johnson
Director

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DSS Social Services Board Meeting

Members Present: Co-Chair, Paul Delamar, Miranda Simpson and Alma Credle

Staff Present: Bob Johnson - Director, Deborah Jones - Note taker

Paul Delamar called the meeting to order.

Motion passed to approve the October minutes.

Mr. Johnson reported the controversy with NCFast is continuing. The State is laying fault on the counties and the counties are refusing to accept the blame. The system needs to be fixed. The State cannot afford to scrap the software. Pamlico County is up to date with processing the November reviews. As requested by Raleigh, cases were sent to NCFast to correct issues that cannot be corrected on the County level. Valda Loftin was sent to Raleigh for a six week training to help with system problems.

Paul Delamar recommended going to the State auditor, Beth Wood, with the NCFast problems.

Pamlico County has access to three organizations to help with food for any clients having to wait for their application to be approved. DSS is establishing a locker of food to help if no other resources are available.

With the government financial shutdown, a letter to suspend services had to be sent out to all Day Care Providers and parents giving a 10 warning of possible loss of Day Care subsidies. By the time the ten day notice was up, the government opened back up and services were not suspended.

Due to the possible repeat of these circumstances, Mr. Johnson established a Disaster Plan for a Federal Shutdown for Pamlico DSS.

Adult Services had their state audit for the Home and Community Care Block Grant. The Level II program had no findings. The Level III program had a few small findings. Corrections were easy to implement.

Mr. Johnson met with the owners of the Gardens of Pamlico. He discussed with them the procedures in approving/denying a Medicaid application. The meeting ended on a positive note.

Children Services is having a problem finding services for anyone with a drug problem. Nothing new is coming down from Mental Health. Supervisor, Larry Maxey, is trying to start a parenting class.

The Pamlico Kids Toy Drive will be held December 17th, 18th and 19th. Parents fill out applications ahead of time and then come and pick up the toys.

The Management Team Christmas Lunch will be on December 13th. All Board members are invited. Deborah Jones will call each member when a location can be established.