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May 23, 2017 Meeting

DSS Social Services Board Meeting

Members Present: Chair-Angelo Midgette and Alma Credle

Staff Present: Debbie Green – Director, Deborah Jones – Note taker

Chair-Angelo Midgette called the meeting to order.

Due to not having a quorum, the April minutes could not be approved.

Child Welfare Supervisor, Lauren Weatherly, presented an overview of the Family and Children Services Department.

- Two Investigative/Assessment/Treatment Social Workers and Two Foster Care Workers.
- Newest worker is completing pre-service training.
- Majority of cases involve drug and mental health issues.
- State has revised the Intake form from 18 pages to 10 pages.
- Sheriff Department will escort Social Workers in dangerous situations
- Some cases will be joint investigations with law enforcement
- A lot of the job is to educate parents of resources available.

Directors Report:

- Reviewed current House/Senate Bills
 1. Senator Barringer had SB594; dealing with regionalization of County DSS's, lumped in the Budget Bill and was passed. There will be an attempt to stop this. The better plan is to have State oversight of regions.
 2. HB529 contains verbiage that may have counties responsible for unpaid funeral expenses.
 3. There is a bill to make it mandatory for Day Care recipients to cooperate with child support if receiving services.
 4. There is a bill to have Counties pay back any Medicaid expenses associated with errors
- Reviewed foster care case involving multiple agencies and Mental Health issues.
- Need to schedule the June meeting for the third Tuesday due to scheduling conflicts.

Meeting adjourned

The next DSS Board meeting will be June 20, 2017.