Board Minutes March 22, 2005

The regular meeting of the Board of the St. Mary's County Department of Social Services was held on Tuesday, March 22, 2005. Board members in attendance were: Monika Williams, Chairperson; Drew Hardgrove, Vice Chairperson; Katz Springer; Erika Patregnani; Melvin McClintock; Patsy Davidson; and Katie Danko. Also present was Ella May Russell, Director; Roberta Loker, Assistant Director for Communication and Community Initiatives.

Monica Williams, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 5:25 pm.

Minutes

Minutes from the February 8, 2005, meeting were corrected and approved.

Chairperson's Report

Ms Williams encouraged all board member attendance at the Fall MASSB meeting to be held in Ocean City, September 29-30.

Education Session

An overview of the Long Term Care (LTC) program in the Medical Assistance (MA) program was presented by Roberta Loker, Assistant Director for Communication and Community Initiatives.

Director's Report

Personnel Update

The agency is presently interviewing for three Family Investment positions, one Child Support position and a clerical position.

An exemption has been requested to fill the Business Manager's position vacated March 4, 2005, by the retirement of Richard Buckler.

Flat Tops Relocation

The relocation plans have gone smoothly. There are approximately 50 people left in the northern section to be relocated.

Assistant Director's Report

The food service and food prep class offered by the College of Southern Maryland at Three Oaks Shelter has been delayed. A report will be given at the next meeting.

March 28th, the agency will host the annual Foster Parent Appreciation event. The event will be held at Chancellor's Run Park this year and include an Easter egg hunt and treasure hunt for the children.

A retirement luncheon will be held for Richard Buckler on April 15, 2005.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Bonnie S. Abell