

EASTERN SHORE COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD
Minutes
June 26, 2012

There was a special meeting of the Eastern Shore Community Services Board held on Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at the Eastern Shore Behavioral Healthcare Center in Parksley, Virginia.

Members Present:

Ms. Marva Annis
Mr. Travis Bradley
Rev. James Davis
Ms. Sallye Dukes-Chair
Mr. Dee Fitch
Mr. Spencer Murray
Dr. John Ogram
Mr. Berran Rogers

Others Present:

Dr. Mark Freeze, Executive Director
Mr. Mike Leahy, Developmental Services Program Director
Ms. Barbara James, Office Services Specialist

Absent:

Mrs. Gina Crockett

Ms. Dukes called the meeting to order at 10:01 am. Ms. Dukes turned the meeting over to Dr. Freeze.

Dr. Freeze passed out a copy of the letter he received on Thursday, June 21, 2012, from Catherine Hancock, the Part C State Director, and said he has received assurance from her that the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services anticipates having enough left over funds from this year to partially restore the Parent Infant Program (PIPS) budget for the next year which begins July 1, 2012. This does not cover the entire budget deficit for PIPS and the ESCSB will continue to seek additional funding options in 2013 to balance the budget. He stated he met with the PIPS staff on Friday, June 22, 2012. They presented the early intervention plan for 2013, model one and

model two.

Dr. Freeze recommended that Part C services be reinstated for the FY 2013 fiscal year.

Mr. Murray stated the ESCSB needs to put out a Press Release to the Eastern Shore News that the program will continue. There will also be a letter sent to the parents and stakeholders resulting from the visit to Richmond and the letter from Ms. Hancock.

Mr. Murray made a motion to accept Dr. Freeze's recommendation to reinstate the PIPS program resulting from the letter from Richmond; Rev. Davis seconded.

There was discussion.

Dr. Ogram added an amendment to develop Board guidelines for review of ESCSB programs whose funding is in jeopardy, Mr. Murray seconded, and it was unanimously approved by hand vote. Dr. Ogram, Mr. Murray, and Mr. Fitch offered to serve on the sub-committee.

A letter will be sent to Ms. Linda Schulz, Early Childhood Planning Group, Cape Charles.

Mr. Murray will stop by the Eastern Shore News and give them a copy of the letter from Ms. Hancock.

A decision was made to not have a July board meeting.

Mr. Murray made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Fitch seconded it. The motion was approved unanimously by the board.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:40 am.

Barbara James, Recording Secretary/Mr. Dee Fitch, Secretary

These minutes are subject to full Board Approval.