

Pittsylvania County Department of Social Services

Board Meeting: Monday, May 18, 2026, at 5:45p.m.

Location: Arlene Creasy Annex, 220 H. G. McGhee Dr., Chatham, Virginia 24531

Call to Order

Ms. Nancy Eanes called the meeting of the Pittsylvania County Local Board of Social Services (herein referred to as LBSS) to order at 5:46p.m.

Invocation

Led by Mr. Jim Searce

Membership Roll Call

Regina Barger, Secretary/Director, called the roll. In attendance were:

Ms. Nancy Eanes, Chair

Mr. Charles Cameron, Vice Chair

Mr. Kenneth Bowman, BOS Liaison

Ms. Lynn Dawson

Mr. Darrell Dunford

Mr. Jim Searce

Mr. Barry Sides

Guest(s): Matt Evans, Gravitt Law

Approval of the Agenda

Upon motion by Mr. Cameron, seconded by Mr. Searce, the agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes

Upon motion by Mr. Sides, seconded by Mr. Cameron, the LBSS approved the minutes of the April 20, 2026, LBSS meeting unanimously.

Approval of the 04/2026 Expenditures

Upon motion by Mr. Dunford, seconded by Mr. Sides, with all members saying “yes”, the LBSS approved the April 2026 expenditures unanimously.

Public Comment

None

Old Business

- A. FY2027 Preliminary Local Budget Guidance – Ms. Barger provided an explained the updated preliminary final guidance for the FY2027 annual budget from VA DSS.

New Business

- A. HR/Personnel Manuals – Ms. Barger reported the new HR Specialist will begin working on updated the Local Agency Handbook to clarify policy from the LDSS HR Manual, add deviating policy from the Pittsylvania County Personnel Manual, in addition to County policies not covered by the LDSS HR Manual.
- B. Dress Code Policy - Ms. Barger provided an updated dress code policy to the LBSS. Upon motion by Mr. Searce, seconded by Mr. Cameron, with all members saying “yes”, the dress code policy was approved as presented.
- C. Organizational Chart/Vacancies – Ms. Barger reviewed current staffing vacancies, recent staffing changes, recruitment efforts, and hiring activities since the April 20, 2026, meeting.
- D. Department Statistics – Ms. Barger provided statistics for Benefit, Fraud, Self-Sufficiency and Family Services programs.
- E. Agency Updates – Ms. Barger informed the LBSS of the continued issues with bathroom cleanliness and spoke of the efforts being made to address the issue.

Motion to Convene in Closed Meeting

Upon motion by Mr. Cameron, seconded by Mr. Searce, and by roll call vote with all members voting “yes”, the LBSS agreed to convene in closed meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Items for Discussion

- A. Foster Care
- B. Personnel

Motion to Vacate Closed Meeting and Reconvene in Open Session

Upon motion by Mr. Cameron, seconded by Mr. Searce, and by roll call vote with all members voting “yes”, the LBSS agreed to vacate the closed meeting and reconvene in open session at 8:38 p.m. Certification of the closed meeting was read by Mr. Cameron.

Action Following Closed Meeting/Motion

- A. Upon motion by Mr. Cameron, seconded by Mr. Sides, and by roll call vote with all members voting “yes”, the LBSS approved the following Foster Care actions:
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- B. Upon motion by Mr. Searce, seconded by Mr. Dunford, with all members saying “yes”, the LBSS agreed to defer the vote to determine good cause absence for Mr. Storey to the June 2026 meeting.

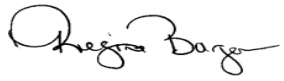
Adjournment

Ms. Eanes announced the next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, June 15, 2026, at 5:45 p.m.

Upon motion by Mr. Dunford, seconded by Mr. Cameron, and with no further business to discuss, the LBSS adjourned at 8:43 p.m.



LBSS Board Chair



Secretary/Director