

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES

MAY 22, 2018

At a worksession of the Orange County Board of Supervisors held on Tuesday, May 22, 2018, beginning at 4:00 p.m., in the Meeting Room of the Gordon Building, 112 West Main Street, Orange, Virginia. Present: James K. White, Chairman; James P. Crozier, Vice Chairman; R. Mark Johnson; S. Teel Goodwin; and Lee H. Frame. Also present: R. Bryan David, County Administrator; Thomas E. Lacheney, County Attorney; and Alyson A. Simpson, Chief Deputy Clerk.

RE: CHILDREN'S SERVICES ACT UPDATE

R. Bryan David, County Administrator, explained that, following the recent approval of a supplemental appropriation of local funds to meet increased expenditures for the Children's Services Act (CSA), the Board had requested a worksession to further discuss CSA and its current status. He introduced Dean Lynch, Executive Director of the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo), indicating that VACo representatives had been invited to provide a State-level perspective of CSA.

Mr. Lynch thanked the Board for the opportunity and introduced Katie Boyle, Director of Government Affairs for VACo. Ms. Boyle provided a PowerPoint presentation, which included information on the following: recent revisions to the CSA audit policy; recent changes related to placement in residential treatment facilities; developing CSA issues, including utilization management and implementation of Family First Prevention Services; and an in-depth review of private special education day placements.

Discussion ensued among the Board regarding: clawbacks from previous CSA audits; the shift to Medicaid billing; input from private insurance companies; a summary of the impacts from the Family First Prevention Services; rate caps on private providers; outcome measures; and preliminary reports from the work study group.

Alisha Vines, Office on Youth Director, also provided a PowerPoint presentation, which included information on the following: a comparison of CSA expenditures by fiscal year; the number of youth and families served each fiscal year; a comparison of expenditures by line item; statistics on students with disabilities; the number of special education day placements; a review of private day placement costs per day; and information provided by the Orange County Public Schools related to CSA expenditures.

Discussion ensued among the Board regarding: the number of carryover cases each year versus new cases; types of student disabilities recognized through CSA; how the decision was made for day placement services; the location of the elementary programs in Orange County; expansion of the local programs to meet more student needs; and the need to better understand the overall requirements of CSA.

As the end of the worksession approached, the Board intentionally concluded its discussion at foster care, recognizing the need to continue discussion in the future.

By consensus, the Board agreed to continue discussion of the Children's Services Act at a future worksession.

Ms. Boyle provided a brief update to the Board on current matters related to development and adoption on the State's biennium budget.

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The Board concluded its Worksession and continued to its Regular Meeting at 5:03 p.m.

James K. White, Chairman

R. Bryan David, County Administrator