



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES

May 6, 2024 • Virtual Public Session Minutes

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SENIOR ADMINISTRATOR OF ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES & CARE MANAGEMENT

Julia McGlamary
ACTING ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR OF ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES & CARE MANAGEMENT

CALL TO ORDER

Without a quorum of members, **Vice Chair Levy** began the meeting for informational functions at 4:06 p.m. The board took no official actions until quorum was reached.

PRESENTATION: AGING & DISABILITY SERVICES STAFF

Administrators Mario Wawrzusin and Julia McGlamary gave the board a rundown of the Adult Protective Services and Care Management unit's operations.

The team works with both young people with disabilities and an aging population with limited capacities. DHHS' *no wrong door* policy means all access points within the Department lead to case workers that can provide constituents with services. The Board reviewed materials on Adult Protective Services, Social Services To Adults, and other social services programs within Aging & Disability Services division of DHHS.

The administrators summarized recent trends case workers are seeing and identified developing needs for at-risk populations.

In response to several clarifying questions from **M. Levy** and **Y. Tomes**, Mario Wawrsuzin reviewed materials on hoarding disorder prevention and initiatives for aging LGBTQ+ individuals.

COMMITTEE SESSIONS

In committee sessions, the Legislative and Outreach committees brainstormed priority initiatives for the coming year to present at the June public session.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon achieving quorum, the board approved the following motions.

MOTION to approve the minutes of the Board’s April public session with no amendments by **L. McKoy Moore**, seconded by **R. Nixon**, adopted by unanimous consent.

MOTION to adjourn the April public session of the Montgomery County Board of Social Services, by **L. McKoy Moore**, seconded by **R. Nixon**, adopted by unanimous consent at 5:08 p.m.

NEXT MEETING to be held virtually on Monday, June 3rd, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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