

**LAFAYETTE COUNTY CHILDREN'S SERVICES FUND  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**Commissisoners:**

Gil Rector  
Harold Hoeflander  
Tracy Dyer

**Board of  
Directors:**

Board Chair  
Opal Johnson  
Mayview

Treasurer  
Terry Thompson  
Lexington

Secretary  
John Billings  
Odessa

Mary Borgman  
Wellington

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Higginsville

Opal Johnson  
Mayview

Russell J. Kruse  
Concordia

Daljeet Singh  
Higginsville

Tammy Zumalt  
Waverly

Jill Sutherland  
Higginsville

**Minutes: Tuesday, January 27, 2014 at Lafayette Hall, Lexington, MO.**

Board Chair, Opal Johnson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Welcome and Introductions:** The following were welcomed: Opal Johnson, Daljeet Singh, Gil Rector, Terry Thompson, Aaron Knipmeyer, Aaron Haynes, Russell Kruse, Robin McGinnety Connelly, Sherri Chandra, John Billings, and Tammy Zumalt. Absent: Jill Sutherland and Mary Borgman. A quorum was present.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the previous meeting, November 18, 2013, were read and approved. Singh moved and Thompson 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Treasurer's Report:** A written Treasurer's report was presented by Terry Thompson. Board approved. Singh moved and Billings 2<sup>nd</sup>. Budget for 2014 was presented and approved. Singh moved and Zumalt 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Old Business:**

**CASA:** \$42,000 grant was approved for CASA. Billings moved and Singh 2<sup>nd</sup>. Robin shared information about the Blue Jean Bash (April 24); (fund raiser for CASA, Brighter Futures, and House of Hope). The event will be at the Arcadia Moon Winery in Higginsville. A request for \$1,000.00 to assist with the fund raiser was presented and approved. Billings moved and Singh 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**House of Hope:** \$18,311.13 grant was approved for House of Hope. Thompson moved and Zumalt 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**New Business:**

Board discussed needs and opportunities for funding other mental health projects:

- Helping Special Needs students (testing, diagnosis, evaluation, getting through the system, availability of testing, transportation, education of parents...
- Funding for medical evaluations
- Helping families who have children with Behavioral Health needs

Board voted to move meetings to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every other month. Next meeting will be Tuesday, May 13, 2014.

Motion to adjourn was approved. **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, May 13, 2014

Respectfully Submitted,  
John Billings, Secretary