



MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD of SOCIAL SERVICES
February 3, 2019 | 4PM – 6PM
401 Hungerford Dr, 5th Floor, Rockville
MEETING NOTES

Board Members			HHS and Council Staff			
Name	Title	Present				Present
Marquette Rogers	Chair	X		Oscar Mensah	HHS Staff	X
Jean Swift	Vice Chair	X		Carolyn Chen	Council Staff	
Stephanie Mensh	Secretary	X		Belinda Cervas	HHS Staff	
Kendell Battle	Member	X		Warren Hansen	HHS Staff	X
Catherine “Cat” Kahn	Member	X				
Chanté Leverette	Member					
Samaura Stone	Member	X				
Councilmember Rice	Member					

I. CALL TO ORDER:

- The meeting was called to order at 4:10pm.
- A motion was made to accept the January meeting notes by Marquette Rogers, seconded by Jean Swift.

II. NEW BUSINESS

- Election of New Officers for Board of Social Services. Marquette read the results of the online vote by the Board members:
 - Vice president: Jean Swift
 - Secretary: Stephanie Mensh
- Review of Committee Assignments: Marquette read the results of the online sign-up by the Board members:
 - Legislative Committee: Marquette Rogers, Cat Kahn, and Jean Swift
 - Event Committee: All Board members
- MASSB Legislative Meeting Review – Cat Kahn/Marquette Rogers
 - Cat provided a written summary of the meeting
 - Marquette and Cat described the context of the meeting and reports by MASSB legislative committee
 - HB206/SB207 Unaccompanied Minor in Need of Shelter and Supportive Services – Feb 5, 2020 Senate Hearing
 - Cat and Marquette discussed the letter drafted by the MASSB suggesting edits to the bill to provide additional protections for minors. Oscar Mensah reviewed a similar letter from HHS.

- The Board approved a motion by Cat to approve the letter and send in for the Senate discussion on Feb 5
- Samaura asked for a better process for the Board to review legislative proposals
- Additional Bills
 - Cat reviewed her notes on another 6-7 bills of interest to the MASSB on vulnerable adults, and family and child issues
- Planning for MASSB October 2020 Event idea: Marquette gave an update on Montgomery County's Board's interest in hosting the state's annual meeting and the lack of affordable venues. The annual meeting is likely to be held in a different county that has lower cost venues. Our Board's role isn't clear yet.
 - Theme: "Two-Generation Approach"

III. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

- Social Media and Community Outreach Planning: Marquette Rogers moved this item to next month's meeting

IV. NEXT MEETING

Date: Monday, March 2, 2020
Location: 401 Hungerford Drive, Rockville, MD 20850
Time: 4:00PM-6:00PM

V. ADJOURNED: Marquette Rogers, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 6:05 pm