



STATE OF GEORGIA  
Division of Family and Children Services

Nathan Deal  
Governor

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Director

MINUTES OF THE MAY 2016 MEETING OF THE  
CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES

The Clayton County Board of Family and Children Services meeting was held on  
Wednesday, May 25, 2016.

Members Present

Keesha Dabney  
Deborah Lazarus  
Barbara Pulliam  
Tia Simon

Staff Present

Deneka Manning  
Donna Cason

Ms. Dabney called the meeting to order and led the invocation.

Audience Participation

None

Minutes

Minutes of the April 27, 2016 meeting were approved.

Program Reports

Social Services

Mr. Chambers went over Social Services report and discussed 2 serious injury cases from last month.

Ms. Dabney asked Mr. Chambers to verify the number of children placed in the Rainbow house for 31-44 days.

Eligibility

Mr. Chambers discussed OFI restructuring. He stated OFI will be moving to Region 4 and will be under new manager Judy Jones. OFI is in the process of hiring 18 new workers to

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improve services but space continues to be an issue.

### Personnel Report

Closed session affidavit signed.

### Other Matters

Mr. Chambers shared an invitation and agenda for the Stakeholders meeting to be held June 7, 2016 at Clayton County Water Authority and encouraged board members attendance and asked them to RSVP to Gayle Carter.

Mr. Chambers informed the board of the new Central Child Abuse Registry.

Mr. Chambers informed the board of Director, Bobby Cagle's Road Show event. He is scheduled to be in Clayton County office on June 22, 2016. Board members requested to meet with Director Cagle. Mr. Chambers invited board members to attend the Town Hall meeting on June 23, in Cobb County from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Board members questioned why they would have to drive to Cobb County. Mr. Chambers explained Clayton County is part of the Metro Region. Mr. Chambers will inform Director Cagle that the board members would like to meet with him.

Ms. Dabney reminded board members of direct deposit. Ms. Pulliam stated she would like to sign up for direct deposit. Donna will get forms for her.

Ms. Pulliam informed the board that she will not be at the June or July meeting. Ms. Lazarus also stated she will not be at the July meeting. The board may cancel meeting for July.

Ms. Dabney stated she completed the Birthday list for Kids Planet and shared it with Ms. Wright-Hill. Ms. Dabney suggested having the children second grade and above to write a letter stating why they feel they should win the free birthday party or they could possibly voice record it.

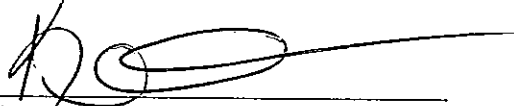
Ms. Dabney shared how nice the Foster parent appreciation dinner was and encouraged other board members to attend foster parent meetings.

Board members will meet June 11, at 11:00 a.m. to address concerns to put into a letter to Bobby Cagle. (meeting location to be announced)

Ms. Dabney will get Board Members handbooks for members.

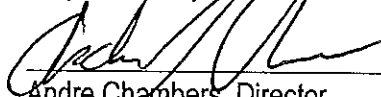
**Date of the Next Meeting:** The date of the next meeting of this Board is Wednesday, June 22, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



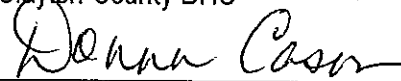
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Keesha Dabney, Chairperson  
Clayton County DECS Board



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Andre Chambers, Director  
Clayton County DHS



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Donna Cason, Administrative Assistant



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Board Meeting  
Agenda  
5/25/16

- I. Call to Order and Invocation
- II. Audience Participation
- III. Approval Of Minutes
- IV. Program Reports
  - Social Services Reports
  - Eligibility/Employability Report
- V. Executive Session
  - Personnel Matters
- VI. Other Matters
- VII. Date of Next Meeting

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The Clayton County DFCS Board meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Board Room.

Minutes of the meetings are available upon request.

**CLAYTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES  
BOARD MEETING FOR May 2016  
SERVICES REPORT FOR April 2016**

**I. Placement**

199	Children in Foster Care in Clayton County
13	Children Receiving Aftercare Supervision
1	Children Whose Parental Rights Were Terminated
130	Children in Custody/Receiving Care Over One Year

**II. Adoptions**

59	Children Free for Adoption
16	Children Free for Adoption (without a resource)
2	Adoptions finalized for the month

**III. Resource Development**

0	Adoption Studies completed for the month
12	Individuals completed IMPACT ( 20 Individual Completed IMPACT in 2015)
39	Number of Clayton County Foster Homes/Adoptive/ Foster to Adopt
49	Number of ICPC Supervision Cases
15	ICPC homes
158	Number of Relative Care Subsidy Cases

**IV. Child Protective Services**

**A. Investigations**

139	CPS Reports Assigned (130 in April 2015)
81	Screened Out
71	Family Support Cases
0	Child Fatalities with DFCS Involvement
0	Safety Resources
6	Courtesy Interviews

**B. CPS Ongoing Services / Family Preservation**

23	Cases (64 in April 2015)
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**V. Rainbow House**

6	Children Placed for 1 to 14 days
4	Children Placed for 15 to 30 days
0	Children Placed for 31 to 44 days
3	Placement Denied/Unavailable
	<b>Explanation – (1) full (2) higher level of care</b>
10	Children Served for the Month for Clayton County
6611	Children Serviced to Date

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**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now Keesha Dabney, the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Clayton County DCFS.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On May 25 2016 this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for closure of this meeting was:  
O.C.G.A. 43-1-2 (K)
5. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closure of this meeting are:  
Personnel Matters

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Keesha Dabney  
PRESIDING OFFICER

Sworn and subscribed before me

This 25 day of May, 2016.

Jo Rachmann  
Notary Public



# Clayton County Personnel Board Report

Friday, May 20, 2016

## Appointment

Cooke, Jessica J. – Appointment / Economic Support Spec 2 / / 4/18/2016

Jones, Sharita B. – Appointment / Social Svcs Spec 1 / / 5/2/2016

## Appointment Time Limited

Macklin, Viola Elaine – Appointment Time Limited / Personnel Services Worker / / 5/2/2016

## Position Data Update

Adams, Vickie Lynne – Position Data Update / Soc Svc Claims/Benefits Tech 1 / / 4/16/2016

Banks, Renee Johnson – Position Data Update / Social Svcs Prgm Mgr 3 / / 4/16/2016

Chaney, Ebony K. – Position Data Update / Social Svcs Spec 1 / / 4/16/2016

Dunlap, Kilwanda LaShuntreace – Position Data Update / Economic Support Spec Spv / / 4/16/2016

Favers, Niya S. – Position Data Update / Social Svcs Spec 2 / / 4/16/2016

Resignation

Foster, Latoya R. – Resignation / Economic Support Spec 2 / / 4/16/2016

Gibbs, Sharanda L. – Resignation / Social Svcs Spec 2 / / 5/1/2016

Hickenbottom, Pamela D – Resignation / Economic Support Spec 3 / / 4/30/2016

Slay, Arlie M. – Resignation / Economic Support Spec 3 / / 4/25/2016

Thomas, Jada M – Resignation / Economic Support Spec 3 / / 4/16/2016

Salary Increase

Williams, Angela Y. – Salary Increase / Social Svcs Spec 2 / / 4/16/2016

Xfer Out To Different Company

Solomon, Aukeaus K. – Xfer Out To Different Company / Economic Support Spec 3 / / 5/1/2016





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May 24, 2016

Dear Valued Stakeholders;

It is with great enthusiasm to invite you to take part in our Quarterly Stakeholders Meeting at the Clayton County Water Authority, Marie Barber Community Center, 1600 Battle Creek Road, Morrow Ga.30260, 9:30-1:00 P.M.

Clayton County Division of Family & Children Services and Director Andre Chambers take great strides in continuing the Blue Print for Change through community engagement. In an effort to improve the quality of life for families and children in Clayton County, we need your partnership, input and expertise. During the meeting we will discuss topics outlined in the agenda. As a prominent figure in the community, we hope you will attend.

Lunch will be served, so please RSVP to confirm attendance [gayle.carter@dhs.ga.gov](mailto:gayle.carter@dhs.ga.gov).

*Gayle Carter*

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*Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.. Martin Luther King, Jr.*