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**MINUTES OF LUCAS COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES BOARD**  
**Regular Meeting Held January 21, 2026**  
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The regular meeting of the Lucas County Children Services Board was held at 301 Adams Street, 3:00 P.M., in person and via Zoom.

Members Present: Mr. Corfman, Ms. Gagnon, Dr. Cowell, Ms. McCollough, Mr. Meyer, Rev. Dr. Perryman (Zoom), Mr. Ridi, and Ms. Vasquez

Member(s) Absent: Mr. Walrod
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Dr. Cowell called the January 21, 2026, regular meeting of the LCCS Board to order. Roll Call was taken. A quorum was present.

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES**

- Benjamin David – Data Management Specialist
- Marissa Williams – Assessment Caseworker
- Jamie Vaughan – Assessment Caseworker
- Raven Jones – Caseworker Trainee
- Sadie Roscoe – Caseworker Trainee
- Jadah Peoples - Caseworker Trainee
- Zachery Garrett - Caseworker Trainee
- Austin Luedeke - Caseworker Trainee

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND NOVEMBER LCCS BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

- Minutes from November 19, 2025, LCCS Board of Trustees Meeting
- Services and Programs Committee Minutes
- Personnel Committee Minutes

Dr. Cowell asked if any items would be removed from the Consent Agenda. Hearing none, Dr. Cowell read the Consent Agenda into the minutes.

Dr. Cowell asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Vasquez made a motion for approval, which Mr. Ridi seconded. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Financial Updates**

Mr. Hoskins presented an overview of the most recent financial statements, accompanied by graphs that will be attached to these minutes.

Ms. Gagnon made a motion to accept the financials with Mr. Ridi seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**Task Force**

Ms. Cully gave an overview of the Task Force's recent meetings. They have been moving right along with the priorities set. They have completed three and four and are now moved on to priorities five and six.

- 5 Improve Outcomes of Children and Youth in Care
- 6 Support Family Stability and Reunification

The Task Force anticipates being completed with all the priorities and be able to wrap up with recommendations by June 2026. Ms. Beal will take over as agency representative in replace of Ms. Cully. They anticipate some overlapping of the priorities and looking back over before the recommendations can be made.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Policy 142: Grievance Procedure for Placement Providers**

This policy was presented by Ms. Cully to the Board of Trustees.

The policy Statement reads as follows:

*When LCCS places a youth in an out-of-home care setting, it is important the placement will be one that is safe and stable for the child. In attempts to assure safety, LCCS follows the Ohio Revised Code and Ohio Administrative Code requirements for all resource caregivers prior to placing a child in their care. LCCS is also committed to supporting resource caregivers once children are placed in their home to provide stability for the youth while reunification or permanency efforts are being pursued. When a resource caregiver has concerns or questions it is important for them to be informed of the procedures for addressing their concerns, obtaining responses to their questions and understanding any state hearing rights they may have.*

Dr. Cowell asked for a motion to approve this motion. Mr. Ridi made a motion to approve the policy as written. Mr. Meyer seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

### **Nominating Committee**

Ms. Vasquez made a motion to table this item until the committee can meet and decide on the slate of officers for the fiscal year of 2026. Mr. Ridi Seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote. The nominating committee will consist of Mr. Ridi as Chair, Ms. McCollough, and Mr. Meyer.

## **CHAIRS REPORT**

Dr. Cowell expressed her congratulations on the increase in positive media. Dr. Cowell urges board members to attend the community conversation that will be held next Monday, January 26, to give staff and executive director support.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT**

**Will add at a later date.**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Gagnon made a motion to go into executive session to discuss confidential cases and negotiations. Ms. Vasquez seconded the motion. Roll call was taken, and all members were present except Mr. Walrod

Ms. Gagnon made a motion to exit the executive session. Mr. Meyer seconded the motion.

Roll call was taken, and all members were present except Mr. Walrod

## **OPEN SESSION**

There were no business items to address following the executive session.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Gagnon  
Ms. Vasquez seconded the motion.  
The meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Gagnon  
Board Secretary