

**Charlottesville**  
**Social Services**  
**Advisory Board**

City of Charlottesville, City Hall Annex, P.O. Box 911,  
Charlottesville, VA 22902



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**Kathryn Gallanosa, Vice Chair**

Board Members:  
Lisa Brown  
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Janet Morrow  
LD Perry  
Judith Zeitler

**MINUTES**

Charlottesville Department of Social Services  
Advisory Board

November 23, 2020

**Board Members Present:** Lisa Brown, Kathryn Gallanosa, Shayla Givens, Sena Magill, Janet Morrow, Judith Zeitler

**Board Members Absent:** Rebekah Menning, LD Perry

**Staff Members Present:** Diane Kuknyo, Autumn Scott

The online meeting was called to order at 12:10 p.m.

**Public Comment:**

None

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

The October meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

**Members' Report:**

Ms. Brown shared that Birth Sisters of Charlottesville received a grant to train doulas on culturally responsive trauma-informed care.

**Chair's Report:**

None

**Annual Report to City Council:**

The annual report will be presented to City Council on December 21 at 4:00 p.m. The report will include information about the following items:

- Agency statistics
- Increase in Benefits applications since the beginning of COVID-19
- Increase in the number of adoptions
- The Casey Foundation recognizing the agency for its high kinship placement rate
- Family Services Specialists continuing to make monthly visits
- Child care subsidy workers recognized for 100% on-time processing
- New Parent Navigator position
- Economic impact and funding sources
- How the agency has adapted business processes since the beginning of COVID-19

**Chair & Vice Chair Nominations:**

The board will wait until new board members are appointed to elect a new chair and vice chair.

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**Director's Report:**

Annual Holiday Luncheon: The agency will host a virtual lunchtime meeting in December to celebrate the holidays. The date and time of the meeting are to be decided. Ms. Kuknyo invited board members to attend the celebration.

**The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 25, 2021 and will be held virtually using Zoom to promote social distancing.**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Recorded by:  
Autumn Scott