

GOOCHLAND POWHATAN COMMUNITY SERVICES
MINUTES
February 2, 2026

Goochland Powhatan Community Services Board of Directors held its February 2026 meeting on Monday, February 2, 2026, in Powhatan.

Present

Marcus Allen
Michael Asip
Stephen Hancock
Sandra Leabough
Linda Revels
Hannah Robicheau
Erin Tierney-Butler

Absent

Rudy Gregory
Joyce Layne-Jordan
Crystal Neilson-Hall

Staff Attending

Toby Fritz
Lateshia Brown
Lisette Edwards
Carinne Kight
Robin Pentecost

Welcome

Mike Asip welcomed all attending Board members and thanked them for joining the meeting. There were no additions to the agenda.

Minutes

January 2025 meeting minutes were reviewed for approval. No edits were noted.

ACTION: A motion to approve the January 2025 meeting minutes was made by L. Revels and seconded by S. Leabough. Three Board Members abstained, as they were not present at the January meeting. The remaining two members in attendance voted in favor, with no opposition. The motion carried.

Public Comment

None

Presentation on Prevention Services

Robin Pentecost, Behavioral Health and Wellness Manager, reviewed the Prevention Services program with the Board. She reviewed the approach that prevention takes in trying to address items in the community before they become issues. She discussed shifting a culture that focuses on reaction over prevention and some of the barriers to prevention programs. Additionally, she reviewed the types of programs that Prevention program provides, including evidence-based training, awareness campaigns, and youth services. She provided an overview of some of the GPCS specific programs of mental health first aid training for adults and for youth, lock and talk, and suicide prevention. She discussed what

success for prevention programs looks like and the positive impacts of prevention programs on communities.

Facility Updates

Toby informed the board that the slab has been poured and water service is on site. He also let the Board know that given the recent weather and delays Rick has reordered some things. He is going to be getting materials delivered sooner and doing drain field later. Overall, it's great to see progress being made.

Reports

Board Chair –

Mike noted that it was a pleasure to go to VACSB conference in January. He learned some things and saw that there are a lot of policies potentially affecting CSBs as well as school mental health. Overall, he thought it was a good conference.

Senior Developmental Services Director –

Lateisha reminded the Board that earlier in fiscal year GPCS received a grant which included funds for sign on bonuses for new In-Home Supports Specialists, part time staff employed in the In-Home Supports Program. Since receiving that grant, we have onboarded 2 additional IHSS staff, which is typically a hard position to fill.

Lateshia informed the board that the developmental services awareness day, including the Monacan Services talent show, will take place 11 am to 3 pm on March 20th. It will be held at the landmark center again and there are new community resources that will be attending this year and setting up vendor tables. She will forward a flyer once the teams finish development.

Senior Clinical Director –

Lisette reported that the outpatient director is out on maternity leave, so her team is busy working through that for the next couple months. She also let the board know GPCS now has stickers for the agency, as free handouts to the public. She provided the board members with stickers and let them know that it was an agency wide effort as we started with over 30 designs. Leadership got it down to 14 and then sent a poll out to the agency to vote on their favorites. The top six were then produced. Lisette also let the board know her team is still recruiting for an emergency services clinician and a school-based services clinician.

Senior Administrative Director –

Carinne reported that there are a couple other vacancies including developmental services program support specialist, communications and community engagement specialist, and in home support specialists.

Executive Director –

Toby informed the board that he appreciated Mikes time with him at VACSB, as they were able to go through the General Assembly building and make some connections with legislators. They were able to do some advocacy for school-based services and were able to sit and talk with some delegates and their staff about the concerns and impacts of the budget amendments surrounding the schools grant for

services. He also informed the board that the next VACSB will be held May 6 through 8th, and it will be in Richmond. If board members are interested in attending, just let him know.

Toby then reviewed the quarterly budget report. He highlighted that through 6 months GPCS is in the positive, primarily due to grants that have come in. He also noted that GPCS is at 49% of budgeted expenditures, which is right where we need to be.

Toby provided the board with an overview of the quarterly dashboard measures. He noted that measures are in the green for SDA but that the measures for SUD engagement are being monitored and the team has requested technical assistance from DBHDS. Additionally, he pointed out that the Columbia screening for children is on track, but the adult Columbia screening measure fell below due to staffing changes though following the dip in October it was back to normal.

Toby informed the board that he has built a strategic plan dashboard as a simple way to show where we are on each of the objectives noted in the strategic plan. He let them know he'll be using it to provide quarterly updates on implementation of the strategic plan.

There was a question regarding county appropriations request for FY27. Toby noted that he requested a small increase from both counties, for a total of \$454,000. As budget discussions have just started there is no indication if it will be approved yet.

ACTION: Motion made by L. Revels, seconded by M. Allen. All members affirmed, meeting adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 pm.

Joyce Layne-Jordan, Secretary
JLJ/ck

Date