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## Department of Human Services

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January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
2026 MEETING #1

The Fremont County Board of Human Services (BOHS) met in Regular Session Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026 in Conference Room 208 at the Fremont County Administration Building, 615 Macon, Cañon City, Colorado. Chairman Pro Tem Grantham called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. Those present included:

Kevin Grantham	Chairman Pro Tem	Present
Debbie Bell	Treasurer	Present

Also present: Tony Carochi, Fremont County Administrator, Eric Bellas, Fremont County Attorney, Shawn Sutton, Assistant County Administrator/Finance Officer, Tonia Sutton, Director of Department of Human Services (DHS), Wanda Embrey-Goss, Agency Administrator of DHS, and Janean Wheeler, Finance & Operations Administrator of DHS.

**REORGANIZATION:** Board Member Bell motioned to nominate Board Member Grantham to become the new Chairman of the Board position. Board Member Grantham accepted the nomination. Upon vote: Board Member Grantham, aye; Board Member Bell, aye. The motion carried.

Board Member Grantham motioned to nominate Board Member Bell to become the new Chairman Pro Tem position. Board Member Bell accepted the nomination. Upon vote: Board Member Grantham, aye; Board Member Bell, aye. The motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Board Member Bell moved, duly seconded by Board Member Grantham, to accept the minutes of the December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meeting. Upon vote: Board Member Grantham, aye; Board Member Bell, aye. The motion carried.

**AGENDA:** Agenda order was corrected to move Reorganization of Board to the second item on the agenda from its previous location under "New Business". Board Member Bell moved, duly seconded by Board Member Grantham to approve the January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026 meeting agenda. Upon vote: Board Member Grantham, aye, Board Member Bell, aye. The motion carried.

**FINANCIAL/CASELOAD REPORT:** Janean, discussed that there were normal expenditures for the month. Check reversals were explained. Tonia, discussed the caseload information stating that there were no big changes for the month. Tonia and Wanda discussed Child Care Issuance potential freeze on care funds. After discussion, Board Member Bell moved, duly seconded by Board Member Grantham to approve the January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Financial and Caseload Report. Upon vote: Board Member Bell, aye, Board Member Grantham, aye. The motion carried.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Tonia, shared a written report regarding the current open staff positions and a summary of monthly events that were attended during the month. Centralized services and districted services for eligibility were discussed. After a full discussion, Board Member Bell moved, duly seconded by Board Member Grantham to accept the monthly report. Upon vote: Board Member Bell, aye; Board Member Grantham, aye. The motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business to discuss.

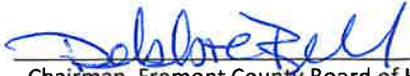
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**NEW BUSINESS:**

Tonia discussed the 2025 Turnover report for DHS. Discussion was held on how to improve participation on the exit interview process.

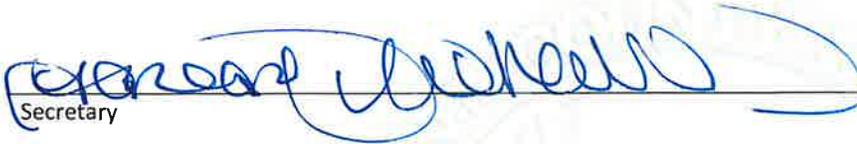
With there being no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.



Chairman, Fremont County Board of Human Services

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