



HANOVER COUNTY

**COMMUNITY SERVICES
BOARD –
Community Engagement
Committee**

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Mary Butler Eggleston – Chair
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AGENDA

Hanover County
Community Services Board
Atlee Commons Meeting Room
9734 Atlee Commons Drive
Ashland, VA 23005

January 5, 2026
5:00 PM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Consideration of Amendments to the Agenda
- III. Approval of Minutes – November 4, 2025
- IV. Citizens' Time
- V. Presentations and Agenda Items
 - A. Follow-up Items from November Meeting
 - B. Committee Goals for 2026
 - C. Open Discussion and Next Steps
- VI. Other Items
- VII. Announcements
- VIII. Adjournment



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November 4, 2025
5:00 PM

Members Present:

Amanda Bishop, Chair, Nathan Globig, Tawna Hampton

Staff Members Present:

Ivy Sager

Additional Attendees:

Carol McDaid

Presenters:

None

Location:

Hanover Community Services Board – Atlee Commons Meeting Room, 9734 Atlee Commons Drive, Ashland

Call to Order

Amanda Bishop, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Consideration of Amendments to the Agenda

There were no amendments to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes –The minutes from the September 16, 2025, meeting were approved as presented.

Citizens' Time

None

Presentations and Agenda Items

- A. Jean C. Harris Award Debrief & Planning for 2026
Committee members expressed agreement that the program went well, there was a good turn out and were pleased that all members of the Board of Supervisors attended.

Ms. McDaid expressed her regret with how concerns about attendance for one nominee were handled.

Committee members also considered ways to better promote the Harris Award next year by increasing nominations and having a broader reach in to the community. The following were provided as ideas to consider next year when planning begins:

- Board members encouraged to solicit at least one nomination (not submit the nomination themselves but promote within their circles and encourage nominations)
- Send nomination information to churches and other networks to expand promotion; promote directly with past recipients as they likely work with others who are also deserving of recognition.
- Considering promoting next year's award as the 25th Anniversary (award started in 2000 but was not given in 2018) next year.
- Work to have media coverage, including an article in the Mechanicsville Local and drive more traffic to the Harris Award webpage (<https://www.hanovercounty.gov/675/Jean-C-Harris-Award>).
- Discuss with the full board if they are willing to have the Committee make the final decision on who to honor so that the nomination period can be extended (and not presented to full Board in August for their consideration; or change the board meeting schedule)
- Provide direct promotion to CSB Board members to encourage their engagement and set a target number for nominations received next year.
- Consider seeking sponsorship so that the award includes a financial gift (after confirmation that Harris family is supportive).
- Consider an advisory council for the Harris Award.

B. Engagement Activities – Next Steps

Committee members discussed Board members being more engaged in general and that all Board members understand the expectation that they will attend events such as the Harris Award. Committee members also agreed that a parallel focus of the committee is promoting the agency, its programs and services to the community. Committee members had extensive discussion about prioritizing engagement and participation as well as better ways to provide information to the community about the CSB and its role. Ms. Hampton shared her experience with the Engage Hanover Citizens Academy, which was what started the process for her becoming a CSB Board Member.

Ms. McDaid offered her idea for a neighborhood ambassador program whereby CSB Board members would attend HOA meetings, block parties, etc. to share information about the CSB. She noted that the effort could be piloted and if it works, those Board members who were involved could share a prototype for other board members to use.

Ms. Hampton shared her experience related to transitioning from school-based services and not really being aware of or understanding what community options were available, particularly through the CSB. Committee members explored this further with Ms. Bishop sharing her involvement the HCPS Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC). She noted that school staff should reach out to families at some period after a student transitions out of IEP services to see how they are doing and if additional community-based

referrals are needed. A CSB staff person is also on the SEAC to provide information about options available at the CSB.

Between now and the next meeting, Committee members agreed to research (via the internet, etc.) how other CSBs in Virginia promote their programs and services and will be prepared to share examples of what they find. Committee members will also look at the new County website (scheduled to be launched on Nov. 12) to explore if information they (or others in the community) are seeking is readily available or if additional changes are warranted to ensure Hanover County residents are effectively able to find needed information about CSB programs and services.

Other Items

The Committee discussed and agreed to a date and time for its next meeting.

Announcements

None

Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 6:21 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for January 5, 2026, at 5:00 PM.

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