

Forsyth County Board of Health



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- Mr. J. Phil Seats, R.Ph., MBA
- Dr. Ricky Sides, DC
- Ms. Gloria D. Whisenhunt, County Commissioner

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES September 2, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Linda Petrou, Chair
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Mr. John Davenport
Ms. Carrie D. Fernald
Dr. Calvert Jeffers
Dr. Willard McCloud
Dr. Scott Schroeder
Mr. J. Phil Seats
Dr. Ricky Sides
Ms. Gloria Whisenhunt

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Charles Massler

OTHERS PRESENT

None

Call to Order:

On Wednesday, September 2, 2015, the Forsyth County Board of Health held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting in the Boardroom at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health (FCDPH). Dr. Linda Petrou called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Consideration of Minutes:

The minutes of the June 3, 2015 Board of Health Meeting were reviewed by the Board. Dr. Petrou asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Ricky Sides made a motion to approve and Mr. J. Phil Seats seconded. The minutes were approved by the Board.

Public Comment Section:

Board Members and staff introduced themselves.

Dr. Petrou announced that FitForsyth, the program that replaced Step Up Forsyth, is starting and she will have her team, the Board Walkers again this year. She will talk more about FitForsyth at the next meeting.

Health Director's Comments – Mr. Marlon Hunter reported there is a new strain of Avian flu. He had a conference call today to talk about what it may look like, if Forsyth County was faced with it. He will share the information with Board members. Mr. Hunter announced that flu shots would be available, starting October 1, 2015 and Ms. Sandra Clodfelter will have some available for any Board member that want to get their flu shot, at the next meeting.

Mr. Hunter reported he participated on a panel at an Opening Doors event sponsored by Dr. Sylvia Flack, where they discussed health disparities and answered questions from an audience of 150 – 200 people. Mr. Hunter said he felt honored that they included Public Health to be part of the discussions.

Mr. Hunter asked Ms. Lynne Mitchell to talk about the Annual Walk to Save Our Babies Event coming up. Ms. Mitchell asked that the Chair and Vice Chair write a letter on behalf of the Board of Health, to be put in the Chronicle, showing their support and to also read a resolution of support at the event. Board members agreed to both of these requests. Ms. Mitchell invited Board members to participate at the event on September 29th at Centenary United Methodist Church, 646 West 5th Street, where other community partners also come out to support.

Swearing In - Dr. Calvert Jeffers was appointed by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners and sworn in by Dr. Petrou to serve on the Board of Health in the capacity of Public Member.

Mr. Hunter welcomed Dr. Jeffers back.

Introduction of New Community Health Services Administrator - Mr. Hunter introduced Mr. Edwin Stott as the new Community Health Services Administrator. He added that Mr. Stott will be starting with the department on September 2, 2015 and he is looking forward to having him here.

Mr. Stott spoke briefly about his background in environmental health and public health. He thanked everyone for the opportunity to be here.

New Business:

Health Director's Annual Report – Mr. Hunter presented his 2014 – 2015 Annual Report and Work Plan for 2015 – 2016. He highlighted accomplishments from each of the three Service Areas (Internal Health Services, Community Health Services and Personal Health Services). Mr. Hunter's main areas of focus for the 2015 – 2016 Work Plan include Community Health Assessment, Quality Improvement and Quality Control Processes and Customer Service, 100-Year Health Department Anniversary and Maintaining Accreditation Standards. A few of the community level accomplishments Mr. Hunter mentioned were:

- Ebola preparation and planning for the community
- Legionnaires Disease
- Community Health Assessment
- DSS, CenterPoint and Public Health Service Delivery Plan
- North Carolina Association of Local Health Directors worked with the State Medicaid Office to get 2011 – 2012 10% hold back dollars (\$140,000) from cost settlement
- Disaster Preparedness Drill with Winston Salem State University

Mr. Hunter told staff he was proud of the work they had completed this year and said he had enjoyed working with staff and all of the Board members (complete copy of report on file in the Administration Binder and on the Public Health website).

Ms. Gloria Whisenhunt thanked Mr. Hunter and Ms. Sheryl Emory, Environmental Health Section, for working on the prepared food program.

Old Business:

Dr. James Doub asked Board members to complete the survey for Mr. Hunter's evaluation and get it back to him. Dr. Petrou announced they will go into an Executive Session at the next Board meeting to discuss the evaluation.

Committee Reports:

None

Adjourn:

Dr. Petrou requested a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Sides and seconded by other members of the Board. The meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm.



Marlon B. Hunter
Secretary to the Board
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