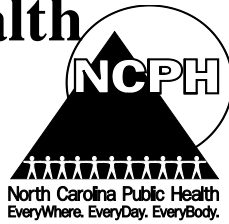


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BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES April 4, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

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Dr. Scott Schroeder
Ms. Gloria Whisenhunt

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Charles Massler
Dr. Ricky Sides

GUESTS PRESENT

Ms. Cynthia Chervenka, RN, MSN Student
Ms. Shontell Robinson, Director, County Human Resources
Ms. Phyllis Russell, County Budget Office
Ms. Ronda Tatum, Deputy County Manager/Interim Director, Dept. of Social Services
Mr. Gordon Watkins, Assistant County Attorney
Mr. Dudley Watts, County Manager
Winston-Salem State University (WSSU) Nursing Students

Call to Order:

On Wednesday, April 4, 2018, the Forsyth County Board of Health held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting in the Boardroom at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health (FCDPH). Mr. J. Phil Seats called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Consideration of Minutes:

The minutes of the March 7, 2018 Board of Health (BOH) meeting were reviewed by the Board. Mr. Seats asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Gloria Whisenhunt made a motion to approve and Ms. Heather Parker seconded. The minutes were approved.

Public Comment Section:

Mr. Seats thanked everyone for coming and asked that everyone introduce themselves.

Swearing-in of Mr. Seats - Mr. John Davenport swore in Mr. Seats, who was reappointed to the Board, by the Board of Commissioners.

Health Director's Comments – Mr. Marlon Hunter reported the following:

- Always nice to see nursing students here - we celebrated our first biannual Community Health Fair over at WSSU, Anderson Center on April 2nd and 3rd. Thanked staff for their help with the Health Fair and sponsors (Herbal Life and Cardinal Innovations) who stepped up to support us and our Health Fair. Mr. Garrett Davis did a play - modeled infant mortality and the effect it has on family and the community. Mr. Davis has received funding to develop the play into a full blown production. We also had Venture Cafe at the fair. Between 30-35 speakers talked about their programs and services. We would like to do this every few years.
- Received notification that we are receiving our accreditation with honors - will travel to Raleigh in May to receive the letter.
- Took lead off of the agenda and will provide an update regarding the action the department will take - had a productive conversation in the past with the CEOs of Power Labs and Johnson Controls and will reach out to both again regarding the actions we are planning to take. Mr. Hunter added that he and Mr. Gordon Watkins are on top of it and working with the State to clearly outline the chain of events and the next steps the department will take to address the concern. He made it clear that our major concern from a regulatory perspective are the children and assured Board members he would keep them posted.

New Business:

Consolidated Human Services Agency Update - Ms. Ronda Tatum, Deputy County Manager/Interim Director, Dept. of Social Services, Ms. Shontell Robinson, Director, County Human Resources, Mr. Watkins, Deputy County Attorney, and Mr. Dudley Watts, County Manager gave an overview/timeline on the proposed Department of Public Health and the Department of Social Services consolidation if it is approved by the County Board of Commissioners. The consolidation would serve to:

- ✚ eliminate the governance silos that exist with having separate Public Health and Social Services Boards;
- ✚ be more strategic in meeting the human services needs of our citizens across all programs; and
- ✚ create a unified personnel system for all county employees.

If approved, a Consolidated Human Services Board consisting of 15 to 25 members would be appointed by the County Board of Commissioners. The purpose of that Board would be to make policy decisions for the Consolidated Human Services Agency. It was noted that there would still be a separate Public Health Director and a Social Services Director. Mr. Watts gave an overview from the human resources perspective, stating that under the new structure, if approved, the Deputy Manager would take on personnel responsibilities. He added, it will look differently at how we look at human services. Ms. Tatum and Ms. Robinson have been conducting information sessions with staff of both agencies to discuss the process and address their questions/concerns, assuring staff that there will be no downsizing. Under the new

structure, we would no longer be governed by the State Human Resources Act but by the County Personnel Policy - under the county process employees would be required to go through human resources (hard copy of detailed handouts on file in the Administrative Binder). Ms. Whisenhunt told Board members that they are very valuable to this Board of Health and she hopes they will stay on. She added, the consolidation would be a better system for the consumer.

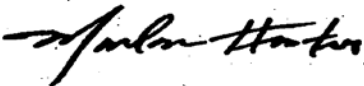
Old Business:

Mr. Hunter reported that the Community Health Assessment Report is out and he and Dr. Lovette Miller will talk about it tomorrow at the County Board of Commissioner's meeting. The framework is around a particular focus and in the next three years our focus will be placed on infant mortality again. Mr. Hunter stated that the number one cause of death in Forsyth County is heart disease and cancer and noted that this county lags behind our peers in many areas (copy of report on file). Dr. Peter Robie asked if hiring more school nurses was approved by the County Commissioners and Mr. Hunter responded he will be meeting with the County Manager next week to discuss.

Committee Reports:

Adjourn:

Mr. Seats asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Parker made a motion to adjourn and Ms. Kistler seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.



Marlon B. Hunter
Secretary to the Board
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