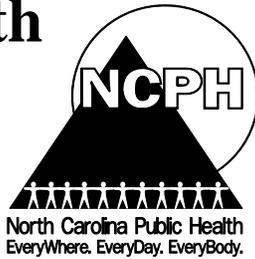


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BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES February 2, 2011

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Ms. Ayotunde Ademoyero
Ms. Lynne Mitchell
Ms. Quintana Stewart
Ms. Lorrie Christie
Ms. Sheila Bogan
Ms. Collette Chalmers
Ms. Sheryl Emory
Ms. Ethel Evans
Ms. Amanda Fields
Ms. Tehetina Tedla
Ms. Carrie Worsley

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. P. Lee Salisbury

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Kit Edwards & Parents (Hotdog Cart Owner)
Dr. Teme Levbarg (National Assoc. of Local Boards of Health - NOLBOH)
Ms. Mary Lynn Wigodsky (CHANGE)
Ms. Melissa Hammond (Wingate University Student)

Call to Order:

On Wednesday, February 2, 2011, the Forsyth County Board of Health held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting in the Board Room at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health (FCDPH). Dr. Linda Petrou, called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. and welcomed board members and guests.

Oath of Office for Newly Appointed Member:

One new member to the Board, Ms. Gloria Whisenhunt, County Commissioner, was sworn in by Dr. Petrou.

Consideration of Minutes:

The minutes of the January 12, 2011, Board of Health Meeting were reviewed by the Board. A motion was made to approve the minutes as written, seconded, and approved.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

The Board Members, staff and members of the public introduced themselves.

Mr. Kit Edwards, a hotdog cart vendor, spoke to the Board about his dissatisfaction regarding how he perceives he has been treated by Environmental Health Inspectors. He stated he had not been inspected in over a year and that inspectors refuse, after repeatedly asking, to tell him what he needs to do. Mr. Edwards asked the Board to intervene and help him to get some answers regarding his issues. The Board agreed to look into Mr. Edwards' concerns and try to help resolve the issues between him and the Division. He thanked the Board for listening to his concerns and hoped to hear from someone soon.

In further discussion after Mr. Edwards left, both Ms. Whisenhunt and Dr. Sides stated they had received complaints regarding how inspections were carried out and handled from other businesses and suggested that staff from the Environmental Health Division along with a few Board Members meet with Mr. Edwards to discuss the problems/issues and try to resolve them.

Old Business:

Quarterly Syphilis HIV/STD Report

Ms. Ayo Ademoyero gave an overview of the Forsyth County, 2009 HIV/STD Surveillance Report, which the Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit issues. The report is a summary of reported cases for HIV disease, AIDS, Chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis for Forsyth County from January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. Forsyth County ranked first among the state's five urban counties, with Mecklenburg, Guilford, Durham and Wake coming in second, third, fourth and fifth, respectively. The data in the report is compared by sex, age and race (handouts kept in Administration file).

New Business:

Introduction to the Community Guide for Local Boards of Health, National Association of Local Boards of Health

Dr. Teme Levbarg spoke to the Board about the National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) project and the technical assistance it provides for the Community Guide. The Community Guide is a free resource designed to help Boards of Health choose evidence-based programs, practices and policies to improve health and prevent disease, injury and disability in communities. The NALBOH project is funded by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and is designed to educate and introduce five Boards of Health in each of four states. The four states being targeted are: Michigan, Missouri, North Carolina and Washington (PowerPoint presentation with handouts kept in Administration file).

Community Health Assessment

Ms. Ademoyero explained to the Board that the Community Health Assessment is a joint project between the State Center for Health Statistics (SCHS) and the Office of Healthy Carolinians (OHC). A community health assessment involves collecting and analyzing data from a variety of sources to learn about the strengths and needs of the people and services within a community. The project aims to build the capacity of communities to use such data for public health program planning and policy making. Ms. Ademoyero expressed the need for Board representation.

Other Business:

Committee Reports:

Nominating Committee Report

Election of Officers

Dr. Jeffers reported that the Nominating Committee had met and was reporting back to the Board the following as Officers for next year: Dr. Linda Petrou and Dr. Kent Doub to be re-elected to their positions as Chair and Vice-Chair. A motion was made and seconded, and by majority vote Dr. Petrou and Dr. Doub were re-elected.

Health Director Position Description Committee Report

After discussion, it was agreed by the Board that they would be looking for a Health Director, preferably someone with a MD and Masters in Public Health. The Committee will contact Jaime Joyner, Senior Human Resources Consultant to start the process (handouts kept in Administration file).

Ms. Cynthia Jeffries was asked by Dr. Petrou to organize a Public Forum in order to get community input on what attributes the community would like to see in a new Health Director. Mr. John Davenport agreed to work with Ms. Jeffries on organizing the Forum.

Adjourn:

A motion was made to adjourn and seconded. By majority vote, the meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Robert E. Whitwam
Secretary to the Board

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