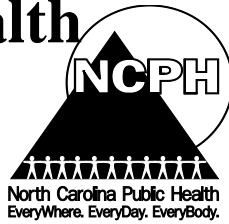


Forsyth County Board of Health



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- Dr. Scott E. Schroeder, DVM
- Dr. Ricky Sides, DC
- Ms. Gloria D. Whisenhunt, County Commissioner

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES June 7, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. J. Phil Seats
Mr. John Davenport
Dr. Keith Cash
Ms. Amanda Kistler
Ms. Heather Parker
Dr. Peter Robie
Dr. Scott Schroeder
Dr. Ricky Sides
Ms. Gloria Whisenhunt

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Calvert Jeffers
Dr. Charles Massler

GUESTS PRESENT

Mr. Jeff Oves, Boy Scout Troop 779
Mr. Simon Oves, Boy Scout Troop 779
Ms. Phyllis Russell, County Budget Office

Call to Order:

On Wednesday, June 7, 2017, 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 5:32 p.m.

Consideration of Minutes:

The minutes of the May 3, 2017 Board of Health 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 Dr. Scott Schroeder seconded. The minutes were approved.

Public Comment Section:

Board Members, staff and guests introduced themselves.
Mr. Seats welcomed new Board Member, Dr. Peter Robie and he was officially sworn in.

Health Director's Comments – Mr. Marlon Hunter welcomed Dr. Robie and reported the following:

- Sent an email to Senator Krawiec about the new rabies bill - the bill has been very stringent in NC for many years. The bill was reviewed and passed by the Senate and is now going to the House.
- Attended a Legal Conference today in Chapel Hill that is required for accreditation. One of the topics discussed was Opioid use and the big spike in NC. Mr. Hunter recommended that an Opioid Taskforce be started and invited Board members to join it. Ms. Whisenhunt advised that the District Attorney's Office has already started a taskforce, with funds from the State.
- Thanked Ms. Whisenhunt and the other Commissioners for approving two new Environmental Health Specialists, Nurse-Family Partnership funds approved and for adding \$200,000 for the Stepping -Up Initiative.
- A decision for the Community Health Services Administrator has been made. Ms. Denise Price has a very strong educational background and work experiences that will complement the department. She will be introduced at the next meeting.
- The Department of Social Services (DSS), Daymark and Public Health had a diaper drive event last month, along with food trucks out in the parking lot. A total of 3,300 diapers were collected to donate to the Diaper Bank.
- The department participated in the Komen Race for the Cure and raised more than \$2,000.
- WIC redemption rates have gone down. We will have a WIC staff sitting in the DSS lobby to sign people up or send them directly over to Public Health to sign-up. There will also be a WIC staff person located at Smart Start and United Health Center.
- Met with Ms. Whisenhunt, the County Manager, Ms. Ronda Tatum, and our staff to discuss cost settlement with Mr. Steven Garner, who manages it. We also sent out letters to our legislative delegation to ask for their support. New guidelines and laws have been developed and each year we should get back around \$40-\$45,000. The key issue that was keeping us from getting the payback was our Pharmacy (the method we were using to capture cost). We are working on how to fix the issue and should have a resolution when I do my report in August. Mr. Seats added he cannot wait until August to better understand the issues that got us to where we are - we are still waiting for 2015 and 2016. He said the Medicaid percentage was lower for the Pharmacy and was having an adverse affect. Dr. Ricky Sides asked if this was something we should have known and who made the decision and Mr. Hunter responded no, we didn't know and the Federal Government made the decision. Dr. Keith Cash added, we have to treat it like a business.

New Business:

Swimming Pools - Mr. Kenneth Bowyer, Environmental Health (EH) Specialist gave a very informative Pool Program update. Mr. Bowyer told Board members this is his fourteenth year as an EH Specialist. He added, he loves getting out in the community talking to people about how to keep pools safe. Some of the highlights of Mr. Bowyer's presentation included: the history of the program, public health and safety, permitting processes, rules governing public swimming pools, inspections, pool plan review, community education, application process and challenges, pre-opening and re-inspection issues, pool/drain safety compliance data sheets and staff turnover. Dr. Peter Robie commented that he sees adults all the time with the kids in the pool and they're on their cell phones - is there something that can be done about that. Mr. Bowyer responded there are sign requirements that are posted about what to do to keep kids from drowning. Mr. Hunter mentioned there has been a spike in water borne diseases and said Mr. Bowyer does a great job every day. Dr. Sides asked if they inspect private pools and Mr. Bowyer responded no, only public pools - he added, chlorine will kill most germs except cryptosporidium. Mr. Bowyer concluded by saying the key is educating and having people keep up their pools (copy of presentation on file in the Administrative Binder).

Old Business:

Committee Reports:

Adjourn:

Mr. Seats made a motion to adjourn, Mr. John Davenport seconded. Before leaving Mr. Seats announced that traditionally we do not meet in July. The next meeting will be the first Wednesday of August.

The meeting adjourned at 6:28pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marlon B. Hunter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Marlon B. Hunter
Secretary to the Board
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