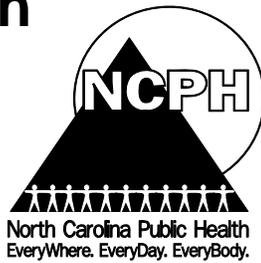


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BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES December 3, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Vera Robinson, Chair
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Mr. Randall Kale
Dr. Calvert Jeffers
Mr. Beaufort Bailey
Dr. Paul (Lee) Salisbury
Dr. James (Kent) Doub
Ms. Linda Petrou
Ms. Nancy Hardie
Ms. Jane Bradner Mosko

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. C. Timothy Monroe
Ms. Cynthia Jeffries
Mr. Bob Whitwam
Ms. Peggy Lemon
Ms. Ayo Ademeyero
Ms. Lynne Mitchell
Ms. Quintana Stewart
Ms. Sheila Bogan
Carrie Worsley

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Willard McCloud

Call to Order:

On Wednesday, December 3, 2008, the Forsyth County Board of Health held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting in Meeting Rooms 1, 2, and 3, at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health. Ms. Vera Robinson, Chair, presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Consideration of Minutes:

The minutes of the November 5, 2008 Board of Health Meeting were reviewed by the Board. Upon motion by Ms. Linda Petrou and a second by Dr. Ricky Sides, the minutes were approved as presented by the Board of Health.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

The following people requested permission to speak on the matter of the proposed **Forsyth County Board of Health Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Rule**, and were given the opportunity:

1. Richard Miller, Property Management Division
2. Julie Poplin, Board of Realtors
3. Mary Lynn Wigodsky, CHANGE
4. Mr. Hobart Jones, CHANGE
5. Rev. Carlton Eversley, CHANGE
6. Rev. Kelly Carpenter, CHANGE

Old Business:

Forsyth County Board of Health Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Rule (copy attached to minutes)

At the beginning of the discussion, Dr. Monroe presented two documents (attached) to the Board outlining the impact of the proposed change with respect to the projected number of identified hazards and program costs in terms of staffing and funds. After acknowledging concerns that the new rule would involve additional cost to implement and concerns that implementation might create more housing crises among low-income African-American families, Mr. Beaufort Bailey made a motion to approve the rule as recommended by Dr. Monroe. Dr. Lee Salisbury seconded the motion. Mr. Bailey's motion included the recommendation that that Dr. Monroe report to the Board on a monthly basis, as to the implementation and impact of the new rule. After a lengthy debate in which members of the public were allowed to participate by the Chair, Dr. Salisbury called the question. By a show of hands, the following Board members voted to approve the motion; Dr. Kent Doub, Dr. Lee Salisbury, Dr. Calvert Jeffers, Mr. Beaufort Bailey, and Ms. Nancy Hardie. By a like sign, the following Board members voted to reject the motion; Ms. Linda Petrou, Ms. Jane Bradner Mosko, Dr. Ricky Sides, and Mr. Randall Kale. The rule was adopted by the Board as recommended by Dr. Monroe by a vote of five to four to become effective January 1, 2009.

New Business:

Division Report:

Lynne Mitchell, Division Director of Preventive Health Services, presented the Division Report. She discussed the changes, challenges, and the successes for December 2008. She reviewed a budget overview document which highlights the funding complexity of the Division. She responded to specific questions from the board as to why the funding structure is so fragmented, explaining that it has to do with the funding structure of public health in general. The Preventive Health Services Division strives to meet the diverse and changing health needs in Forsyth County. Programs are provided to educate and encourage healthy lifestyle behaviors to prevent or delay the onset of disease, improve health, and to promote a higher quality of life. Individuals, groups, and organizations throughout the county are served to improve the health of our community. Ms. Mitchell reported on some interesting facets of the division, but a couple of the most exciting items of discussion were concerning the Teen Tobacco Use Prevention Program and also the POSSE project of the Division. The Youth Advisory Council on dangers and consequences of tobacco use created a video titled, "The Truth". The board viewed the video and commented on what a good job they did. The YAC had hopes of this video being shown in the local theatres as part of the previews. Unfortunately, none of the local theatres ever approved the video to be shown. Secondly, Ms. Mitchell showed the recent commercial that is now showing on some of the local television channels. This commercial was done by the POSSE project, and the subject matter is concerning, preventing the spread of Sexually Transmitted Diseases.

SOTCH:

Ms. Ayo Ademoyero distributed copies of the 2008 Annual State of the County's Health Report (SOTCH), to each Board member. She reviewed the document in detail with the Board. This report is designed to inform community members, leaders, agencies, organizations, and other interested individuals about Forsyth County's progress over the last year. It was also designed to influence the development of policies that further improve community health and recruit community members interested in participating in future activities. Board members or others interested in getting involved with the Forsyth County Healthy Community Coalition should contact the Coordinator at 336-703-3175, and/or visit our website at: <http://www.healthycommunity.ws/>. *The 2008 SOTCH Report is available in electronic form at: www.forsyth.cc/publichealth. A hard copy is attached to these minutes.

Each BOH Member received a copy of the Strategic Plan and a copy of the CHA Action Plan. Dr. Monroe asked the Board to review these two documents prior to the January meeting in order to consider action to officially approve each document.

Other Business:

A showing of *Unnatural Causes: Is Inequality Making us Sick*, will be held at the Health Department on Monday, December 8th. Dr. Monroe stated that we had originally tried to get support from local churches in the area to sponsor these showing, but failing to identify enough support, we scheduled the showings at the Health Department and the Library. These PBS documentary series was produced to draw attention to the real causes of health and illness and was to help reframe the debate about health in our country. Economic and racial inequality result in

more hospitalizations and deaths than cigarettes. On April 23, 2008, a one hour long segment will be shown during a ½ day time period. Dr. Monroe and Lynne Mitchell will be participating in the viewing,

Ms. Lynne Mitchell mentioned that the Health Equity Action Team was meeting on December 4, 2008. HEAT is planning an event on April 23, 2009, to celebrate the community-wide viewings of this 7 part series. The Health Director in Louisville, KY, Dr. Adewale Troutman, will be the featured speaker in this celebration of our "Call for Health Equity".

Dr. Monroe mentioned that Dr. Bruce McLean is asking to step down from the School Health Advisory Board and the Healthy Community Coalition. Dr. McClean is asking if one or two of the BOH Members would be interested in taking his place. Dr. Doub stated that he might be interested in taking the spot on the School Health Advisory Board. Ms. Petrou stated that she would consider taking the Healthy Community Council Coalition spot. The Board will discuss this at the next BOH Meeting.

Adjourn:

Mr. Beaufort Bailey made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Jane Bradner Mosko seconded the motion. By majority vote, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Sincerely,

Dr. C. Timothy Monroe
Secretary to the Board

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