

Forsyth County Board of Health



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BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES
March 1, 2006

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Ricky Sides
Dr. Keith Cash
Dr. Calvert Jeffers
Mr. Beaufort Bailey
Ms. Nancy Hardie
Mr. Randall Kale
Ms. Jane Bradner Mosko
Dr. Willard McCloud
Dr. Lee Salisbury

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Vera Robinson
Ms. Judi Chandler

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. C. Timothy Monroe
Ms. Tommie Bowen
Dr. Lynn Hale
Mr. Abdul Natour
Mr. Bob Whitwam
Ms. Peggy Lemon
Mr. David Foster
Ms. Lynne Mitchell
Ms. Ayo Ademoyero
Ms. Quintana Clinard
Mr. Blake Pate

On Wednesday, March 1, 2006, the Forsyth County Board of Health held its regular scheduled meeting in the Board Room at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health. Dr. Ricky Sides, Vice-Chair, presided that evening. He called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the January Board of Health Meeting held on January 4, 2006 were reviewed by the Board. Upon appropriate motion and second, the minutes were approved as presented by the Board of Health.

Old Business:

Dr. Monroe discussed the Mandate of the Winston Salem Institute for Dismantling Racism. This mandate consists of a request from Public Health for the Board of Health's authorization and support to expand our participation in the activities of the Institute for Dismantling Racism (IDR). Mr. Bailey made a motion to accept the mandate and Dr. McCloud seconded the motion.

Dr. Monroe advised the Board that the County Commissioners met on February 13, 2006. They discussed the issue of the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Planning Board Street Standards, but their final vote was postponed at that time. The Commissioners are meeting again in two weeks and they plan to vote on this. As Dr. Monroe reported at the January Meeting, the Winston-Salem City Council has already adopted the Standards. He mentioned that Fox-8 News has been covering this issue some.

Dr. Monroe mentioned the Planning Board's response to the Board of Health Letter that was sent to them. It was mentioned that it would be a good idea to have an annual meeting together to discuss concerns. Dr. Monroe thought that maybe a representative could be chosen to represent the Board to be on the Legacy Oversight Committee. This would be a good way to learn about important issues that we need to know.

Dr. Monroe discussed the issues related to the possibility of the Health Department having to provide prenatal care services. It is required by law that the Health Department provide this type of service if the Downtown Health Plaza is not able to do it. He mentioned that Matt Dyson and Peggy Lemon were working on a report dealing with the cost of providing the prenatal care services to the public. They came up with a rough estimate of 1 to 1.5 million dollars a year. When we receive more information from the Downtown Health Plaza concerning their revenues, then we will have more of an idea of the cost in providing these services. Dr. Monroe said that 50% of patients that go to the DHP are self paid which makes them ineligible for Medicaid and are unable to afford medical insurance. Dr. Monroe stated that at this time, he did not know what Baptist would decide to do, and that we would have to wait until the final budget is complete. He also stated that he didn't think the County Commissioners were fully aware of the impact this would make if they decided to cut the Downtown Health Plaza's budget. He told the board that he hoped to have the numbers at April's meeting.

New Business:

Ayo Ademoyero spoke about preparations for Public Health Week coming up April 3-9, 2006. The motto is "Designing Healthy Communities Raising Healthy Kids". The department will have displays in the lobby area of our programs and services here. On Wednesday, April 5, 2006, Public Health will host a reception with elected officials. There will be a School Essay Awards Ceremony and a speech on "Designing Health Communities Raising Healthy Kids". On Friday, April 7, 2006 there will be an Employee Appreciation Breakfast here at the Health Department. There will be a Public Health All-Star Awards Ceremony at the breakfast. Mrs. Ademoyero reported that there would be thirty second radio messages and newspaper articles advertising Public Health Week.

Division Reports:

David Foster presented his division report for the Pharmacy. He mentioned that this has been a very rough year for him and his staff. He spoke of the reform that has taken place in the building where the Pharmacy is housed. The building started out as Centerpoint, then it became Hope Ridge, and presently it is the Behaviour Health Plaza. Mr. Foster said that since January 1, 2006, the Pharmacy has turned patients away because they are so under staffed. They now have a new employee that has filled the vacant position. The pharmacy fills approximately 225 prescriptions a day. Incidentally, the Monday before the Board of Health Meeting, they filled over 300 prescriptions in that one day. Handouts of the presentation were distributed to each board member. A copy of this handout will be filed in the Board of Health Book.

Abdul Natour presented his division report for the Laboratory. He gave a verbal and visual account of the Lab's many functions. Handouts of the presentation were distributed to each board member. The material contained salary surveys that have been conducted throughout the United States. It was interesting to see the contrast of salaries depending on various regions. A copy of this handout will be filed in the Board of Health Book.

Other Business:

Dr. Monroe dismissed everyone from the meeting except for the board members. He discussed the orientation of Board of Health Training Module.

The meeting was adjourned around p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. C. Timothy Monroe
Secretary to the Board

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