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BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES
May 4, 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Bruce McLain
Ms. Vera Robinson
Ms. Nancy Hardie
Dr. Ricky Sides
Mr. Beaufort Bailey
Ms. Jane Bradner Mosko
Dr. Keith Cash
Dr. Susan Ziglar
Mr. Randall Kale

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Calvert Jeffers
Ms. Judi Chandler

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. C. Timothy Monroe
Mr. Matt Dyson
Ms. Tommie Bowen
Ms. Ayo Ademoyero
Dr. Lynn Hale
Mr. Abdul Natour
Mr. Bob Whitwam
Ms. Peggy Lemon
Mr. David Foster
Ms. Lynne Mitchell
Mr. Eric Williamson
Ms. Cathy Scheviak

On Wednesday May 4, 2005, the Forsyth County Board of Health held its regularly scheduled meeting in the Board Room at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health. Dr. McLain, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the April 6, 2005 Board of Health meeting were approved.

Old Business:

The Board discussed the Annual Retreat Summary, one outcome of which was the decision to set up a rotation process whereby the Board members spend time with the various Division Directors to gain a better understanding of their activities and responsibilities. Dr. Monroe distributed a schedule (copy attached). The Board accepted it with one suggested change of shifting the entire schedule forward to begin in June of this year.

New Business:

- Downtown Health Plaza

Mr. Bob Parker and Mr. Michael Clements attended the Board of Health Meeting. Mr. Parker gave a presentation concerning the Downtown Health Plaza. He expressed his concern about what the county commissioners' decision will be in relation to cutting the budget for the county. Mr. Parker stated that for the past two years the County allocation to the Downtown Health Plaza's has been \$1.5 million. This amount is crucial for helping take care of the medically uninsured citizens in this county. The number of people who cannot afford to pay for medical care is increasing. Many of these people postpone going to see a doctor until their medical condition becomes serious. The Downtown Health Plaza provides health care to the uninsured on a sliding scale that is based on the patient's income. Last year they provided more than \$2 million in non-reimbursed medical services. For the insured patient, they require a co-payment of \$35.00.

The DHP has at least 20,000 Ob-gyn visits every year. Dr. Monroe said that if the DHP were no longer able to assure pre-natal care for low-income women, it would be the responsibility of the Health Department to assume this responsibility. Dr. Susan Ziglar mentioned that Stokes County had already stopped their Family Planning Program.

The Forsyth-Stokes-Davie County Medical Society sent a letter to the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners encouraging them to continue the county's support of the Downtown Health Plaza. The Board of Health was given a copy of this letter.

Vera Robinson suggested that the Board of Health do a resolution concerning this issue and then take a vote. Dr. Sides agreed. Dr. McLean stated that he would write a letter right away and send it to the County Commissioners expressing the Board's concern.

- Annual Report 04-05

Dr. Monroe presented his Annual Health Director's Report to the Board. He gave a full explanation of each and every item in its entirety on the written summary for the time period of May 1, 2004 through April 30, 2005 (copy attached).

- Annual Work Plan 05-06

Dr. Monroe also presented his Annual Health Director's Work Plan Written Summary. This dealt with the time period that started May 1, 2005 and ends April 30, 2006. This report lists the priority work areas that are continued from the previous review period and also the priorities for the upcoming review period (copy attached).

The Major Activity List for Dr. Monroe's 04-05 Review Period was presented to the Board. This list contains meetings, memberships and presentations that Dr. Monroe has been involved in during this past review period (copy attached).

Other Business:

It was announced that the “Cover the Uninsured Rally” was being held the next afternoon at Winston Square Park from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. All members were encouraged to attend. Dr. Monroe is one of the five featured speakers that are scheduled to speak at the rally. “Cover the Uninsured Week” is presently this week, May 1 through May 8, 2005.

The Board went into an Executive Session at 7:20 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:20 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made, duly seconded, and passed by members of the Board at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Timothy Monroe, MD, MPH
Secretary to the Board

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