

# MINUTES

## DAVIDSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

January 06, 2009

12:30 p.m.

### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Keith Raulston  
Dr. Peter Rogaski  
Commissioner Don Truell  
Dr. Mark Davis  
Dr. Mark Hamrick  
Rev. Lamar Moore  
Dr. Cathy Riggan  
Ms. Alice Gray  
Mr. Corey Buggs

### STAFF PRESENT

Ms. Kim Frank  
Ms. Karen Copley  
Glenyce Fulton  
Ms. Jackie Frank

### VISITORS PRESENT

### WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Long stated that he presided over the first BOH meeting of the year and asked for nominations for the 2009 year chairman.

### **NOMINATION**

Dr. Rogaski nominated that Dr. Davis continue as BOH chair. Dr. Riggan seconded the nomination.

### **MOTION**

Rev. Moore made the motion to close the nominations. Dr. Riggan seconded and the motion was approved.

### **NOMINATION**

Dr. Davis nominated that Dr. Rogaski continue as vice chair. Dr. Hamrick seconded the nomination.

### **MOTION**

Reverend Moore made the motions to close the nominations. Dr. Riggan seconded and motion was approved

### CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Davis hoped everyone had a good Christmas and New Year and asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the last meeting or additions to the agenda.

### **MOTION**

Commissioner Truell made the motion to approve the Meeting Agenda for January 2009 and the November 2008 minutes. Dr. Hamrick seconded and the motion was approved.

### HEALTH DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- New free lance dentist coming on board January 22<sup>nd</sup> to work Thursday and Friday. Kim has found a part-time assistant to help with those days. Dr. Clinard is still at the dental clinic and has done a wonderful job and hopefully we will have him as long as he wants to continue to work
- Economy impact for Federal, State and local budgets. Not hearing a lot of good things from the State. Cuts will be in the CSC program that gives counties' money every year to see the non-Medicaid population. The cut did not affect twelve counties because they enrolled and followed rules. Most of the counties used the money to help abstain but did not necessarily use for the non-Medicaid population.

The State will prorate back down with our county experiencing a cut of close to \$50,000. CSC is doing a tremendous job but there is a real difficulty in getting the non-Medicaid population but a backload of Medicaid population waiting for services. Also, there was a minor cut to the division of Environmental Health who will be cut \$500.00 with the State looking at a 5 to 10% less.

- Will get new leadership among the state due to Leah Devlin, State Health Director abruptly announcing her retirement. Leah has been a outstanding health director and known in NC and around national circles
- Handed out for our first time Annual Report for fiscal year to the BOH to view and comment before final print. This report will also be given to County Administration, County Manager, County Commissioners and Legislative Representatives. Hoping this report will be an opportunity to offer some education about some of the things we do here in the community
- Sarah (Artie) Koonts RN retired after Christmas and before News after working for the county 26 years. Ms. Koonts taught the diabetes and blood pressure classes which will be a big hole to fill
- Free architect from Rural Health came in and has been studying the building plans internally and trying to help us meet the needs assessment for utilizing our space to make more room. He will come down later in January to get staff involved in looking at some of his suggestions
- Got a letter from Guilford County and wanted to know if we would be interested in doing a joint BOH training but haven't heard anymore about the ECU training
- Talked to Robert Hyatt about the management academy training offered through Chapel Hill resulting from the big meeting we had in October on access care. Sandy and I have met with others to discuss and keep the project moving forward. Costs is \$4500.00 per participate for the training and the Division of Public Health for now, will pay for someone from the community to attend. The training requires three visits to Chapel Hill and coming back and working on this plan as a committee. Sandy and I are part of the team and have talked to hospitals to see who they would like to send. After talking to Mr. Hyatt, he thought maybe someone on the BOH or a Commissioner would like to attend and be on the team
- Zeb Hanner Jr. was invited to the Executive Staff meeting to discuss the benefits of going to the Performance Based Budgeting. After listening to Mr. Hanner our departments are looking for attainable goals and moving forward to incorporating this type of budget transition

*Ms. Gray questioned if the health department anticipated the loss of any employees due to the budget cuts. Mr. Long replied that he was concerned about EH's revenue which was down about 50% and has been discussing this with John Hendren and Darren Cecil. EH has been holding a vacant position for a long time and are not going to fill it right now. We don't know what the county might do but we hope we won't lose a position in EH but nursing services never diminish but we are not immune to it.*

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Recommendation of Replacement for Nurse Board Member Position Vacant BOH Seat**

Mr. Long reported that Tammy Hedrick was unable to attend the BOH meeting today but her term expires in February after serving nine years in the nursing seat position. Mr. Long stated that Ms. Hedrick had recommended Kim Smith, Emergency Room Director at Thomasville Medical Center and she was very interested in the vacant Board seat. Mr. Long asked if any of the BOH members had other name submissions. *Kim Frank stated from her prospective that Ms. Smith would be a nice addition for an access to care nurse. Commissioner Truell asked if her working hours would be a problem with her attendance to the BOH. Mr. Long replied it should be okay with her and stated she would accept if appointed.*

### **MOTION**

Reverend Moore made the motion to accept the submission of Kim Smith for appointment to the BOH nurse seat. Dr. Riggan seconded and the motion was accepted.

## **Personal Health Program Reviews**

**Communicable Disease-** Karen Copley, Team Leader presented a yearly power point on the communicable disease program activities that included all the things she and her staff were involved with (*immunization tracking, flu/pneumonia scheduling, TB, travel vaccines, rabies surveillance, employee health blood borne pathogen training, emergency preparedness and new NCEDSS computer program for reporting communicable diseases through out the state*) and their goal achievements plus working in disease surveillance in conjunction with EH for health threats to the people in Davidson County.

## **Community Health**

Glenyce Fulton, Team Leader presented 2007-2008 power point on the Community Health program and the variety of outreaches stating that most of their services were based outside of the health department and in the community. (*CAPC services to medically challenged children under 19, Postpartum Newborn Visits Program, Contract services with senior services, Community Outreach & Chronic Disease Program, Screenings for County Employees, Clients in Home who have long standing medical conditions, Educational Programs to the community-Diabetic Education-Hypertension Classes-COPD-Presentations on as needed basis-One on One Education, and SIDS Program*) Ms. Fulton stated that they had been working on the public's awareness presenting programs requested by different organizations and on different health subjects.

Mr. Long stated that he had the 100 Anniversary NCPH healthy recipes cookbook if anyone is interested in purchasing one.

Mr. Long stated that back a while ago when EH couldn't keep up with their work load there was a study done by the regional incubator on a ten county region on job satisfaction retention issues, and salaries were being examined. Mr. Long passed the combined data out for the Board to review.

## **FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATE**

The next BOH meeting will be March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:30 P.M. in the Davidson County Health Department Library

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **MEETING ADJOURNED**

Respectfully submitted,

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**L. Layton Long, R.S., M.S.A.**  
**Secretary to the Board**

This is a true and accurate copy of the January 6<sup>th</sup>, Board of Health Minutes.

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**Dr. Mark Davis, Chair**