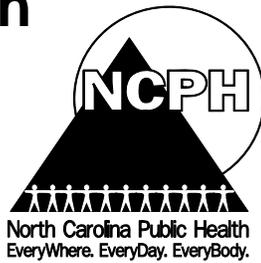


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BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES

June 28, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT

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STAFF PRESENT

Dr. C. Timothy Monroe
Mr. Matt Dyson
Ms. Tommie Bowen
Ms. Quintana Stewart
Mr. Bob Whitwam
Ms. Peggy Lemon
Ms. Ayo Ademeyero
Ms. Lynne Mitchell

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mr. Beaufort O. Bailey
Dr. Willard L. McCloud

Call to Order:

On Saturday June 28, 2008, the Forsyth County Board of Health held their Annual Retreat in the Board Room at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health. Ms. Vera Robinson, Chair, presided and called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Consideration of Minutes:

The minutes of the June 4, 2008 Board of Health Meeting were reviewed by the Board. Upon motion by Dr. Calvert Jeffers, and a second by Dr. Ricky Sides, the minutes were approved as presented by the Board of Health.

Old Business:

Decision regarding July 2, 2008 Board of Health Meeting:

The board decided not to hold a meeting for the following week, Wednesday, July 2, 2008. This was due to the 4th of July Holiday, and the proposed Accreditation Site Visit being postponed until June, 2009. Upon being aware of the items on the day's agenda, Dr. Monroe and the board felt that there would not be any pressing business that would have to be discussed before the August 6, 2008 meeting.

New Business:

Accreditation Calendar Revision:

Dr. Monroe requested board approval to officially petition the Public Health Institute to postpone the Accreditation Site Visit to a later date. This discussion came about due to the resignations that he has received in the last few weeks from lead personnel within the department. With the resignation of the Assistant Health Director, Mr. Matt Dyson, and the Physician Assistant Nurse Practitioner, Ms. Daphne Sharpe, it would be very difficult to have the Accreditation Process completed by the November 2008 Site Visit Date. Therefore, Dr. Monroe would like to have

the board's approval to officially request the postponement to sometime in June, 2009. We should be receiving the actual date of the June Site Visit, sometime in January, 2009. Dr. Sides made a motion that they accept the proposal to change the Site Visit Date, and Ms. Linda Petrou seconded the motion.

Board of Health Rule Making Authority:

Each member received copies of the Local Board of Health Rules, and were discussed in detail. State law authorizes local boards of health in North Carolina to adopt rules necessary to protect the public's health. The board shall have the authority to adopt rules for that purpose. Copies of all rules are filed with the secretary of the local board of health, in Administration at the Health Department. Special Note: The board has the right to set fees at the health department. There will be a proposal coming to the board in August 2008, dealing with new fees that the Division of Environmental Health is presently developing.

Lead 101, Current Lead Laws, Regulations, and Program Implementation:

Dr. Monroe and Mr. Bob Whitwam, Director of the Division of Environmental Health, presented a thorough review of the science of lead exposure and poisoning as well as screening and management guidelines. They also reported on the current lead laws and regulations, and lead as a Public Health Problem. All information packets concerning the threat of lead are available at the Division of Environmental Health and copies are filed in Administration at the Health Department.

Viewing of Unnatural Causes Episode:

During lunch break, the board watched the episode of "Bad Sugar"

Staff reminded the board that the complete series of "Unnatural Causes: Is Inequality Making Us Sick," will be shown at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health, Meeting Room 2, on Tuesdays and Thursdays every other week beginning July 7 and ending August 21. Light refreshments will be served, and the viewings are open to the Public, Staff, and the Board of Health. This series are presented by the Health Department's Anti-Racism Team.

Changing Authority of the Local Board of Health – Regard to Tobacco Use Regulation:

Dr. Monroe and the board discussed the regulating of tobacco use, and discussed the changes that have taken place in the North Carolina General Assembly. Prior to 2007, there was a limit of authority to regulate smoking in public places, including in local government buildings. Effective January 1, 2008, local governments can now regulate smoking in local government buildings and a few other places. The new bill that was adopted on June 12, 2008, requires that the grounds within a certain distance of state owned or operated buildings be smoke-free. It also authorizes local governments to designate grounds within a certain distance of locally owned or operated buildings to be smoke free. This is a topic that the board will continue to discuss. They will be looking at possibly expanding the Tobacco Use Policy, and trying to make it a campus wide policy.

Regulation of Transfats In Restaurants:

Dr. Monroe presented a thorough report on Trans-Fats, and how they affect our health. The discussion involved how many restaurants are taking trans-fats out of their food, and how some local public health authorities are regulating such use..

Board Member Note Book Re-Distribution:

Due to the fact that the board member notebooks had been recently updated, they were redistributed to all members that were present at the retreat. Dr. Monroe asked the board to begin bringing their notebooks to each and every meeting. The material that is distributed at all the meetings needs to be filed directly in the notebooks, by the individual member.

Other Business:

Ms. Linda Petrou reported that the board completed Dr. Monroe's Evaluation and that copies would be distributed to the board at a later date.

The Lead Summit will be held on Tuesday, September 9, 2008.

Dr. Monroe stated that the board would be considering the revisions for the By-Laws at the August Meeting. They will also be discussing the revision of the departmental fee structure.

Adjourn:

After all business had been discussed, Dr. Sides made a motion to adjourn, and Dr. Jeffers seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Sincerely,

Dr. C. Timothy Monroe
Secretary to the Board

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