

**Buncombe County Department of Health  
Board Minutes  
June 9, 2011**

The Buncombe County Board of Health held its monthly meeting at 200 College Street, in the Health Administration Conference Room, June 9, 2011.

**Department of Health Board Members Present:** Dr. Richard Oliver, L.C. Ray, Winnie Zeigler, Dr. David McClain, Dr. John Whitener, Linda Morgan, Susanne Swanger, and Gibbie Harris.

**Staff Present:** Julie Montanea, Lisa Eby, Jim Holland, Karan Smith, Nelle Gregory, Eddie Shook, Cynthia Yancey, Erin Henderlight, and Terri Rogers.

Chair, Dr. Oliver called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**DISCUSSION & REVISION OF PROPOSED AGENDA/ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Dr. Oliver inquired if there were any discussion or revisions of the agenda. None mentioned. Ms. Swanger made a motion to accept the agenda as written, seconded by Dr. Whitener.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the May 10, 2011 Meeting were presented. Mr. Ray made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Ms. Ziegler.

**RECOGNITION OF STAFF**

Chair, Dr. Oliver and the Board recognized the staff that were present are those that have worked in Prenatal and the School Health Center programs that are ending June 30th, 2011. He speaks for the entire Board when he shares the appreciation and dedication the staff have to the Health of the residents in Buncombe County. Gibbie Harris, Dr. Yancey and Nelle Gregory expressed appreciation and gratitude for the work the staff in these programs have provided to the community.

**QUESTION and ANSWER MONTHLY REPORTS:**

**Financial Report**

The expenditure report shows that we are at 91.67% of the way into the budget year. The payroll expenditures will go over this year due to severance and Annual Leave payouts to staff that have had positions RIF'd . The grand totals for expenditures are at 89.93%.

In the FY12 Revenues there will be changes due less service offered. The Medicaid Cost Settlement, based on entire state costs and settles up with us at the end of the year.

**HR Report**

Vacant positions show more than usual due to the transition of School Health Centers and Prenatal services. As of date all staff that had positions in RIF status have either retired or transferred to other County positions except for one. That one may also be placed but not sure yet.

**Performance Analysis Review**

The PAR for the Department of Health is in the packets.

Julie Montanea shared information about the phone center calls. She explained that during the transition of adding WIC Scheduling to the call center, a new phone system put into place and the moves, these dropped calls that had risen are now back down to 7%, the goal that is in place.

**Behavioral Health**

Rich Munger shared information on the Drug Court in Buncombe County. Drug abuse is the 2nd greatest health issue in Buncombe County. The Sheriff's Department is using drug seizure monies towards drug court. The court is designed to place substance abusers into recovery programs rather than directly to jail.

The current behavioral health report will drop the Gang Prevention stats.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Integrated Health and Human Services Complex: Jim Holland, Eddie Shook, Tim Rhodes and Erin Henderlight**

A presentation was given to the board concerning the Coxe Avenue building and the integration of Health and Human Services. Currently Coxe Ave. is the hub of the DSS services, in January or February of 2012 the building will include Health Services. WIC will move from the Church location, but keeping the WIC West location. Disease Control which includes TB, STD and Immunizations will relocate there along with Clinical Services such as Family Planning, BCCCP/Wisewoman, Lab, Pharmacy, Community Health, PCM, CC4C, NFP and Health Promotions. The majority of these services will be located on the main floor of the building.

The initial entry for the public will consist of a greeter to assist them in determining services that they may be eligible for such as Food Assistance, Federal Veterans Benefits, Health Services, etc. The plan is to put a kiosk and computer in the lobby along with other staff at check-in locations that will direct the public to already scheduled appointments for both Social Services and Health Services.

**DIRECTORS REPORT:** Gibbie Harris

**A. Legislative Update**

The State Budget is in the final voting stage, no significant impact on us for now. Four thousand dollars from Environmental Health will aid the county. The reductions in the Block Grant Prevention for Health Promotions are less or could be gone.

Consolidation Bill is out in the House and passed Senate. The 522 regionalization bill passed and is going to the House.

The Pharmacy Immunization Authority is in discussions. It would allow Pharmacies to administer immunizations but not to those individuals under the age of 14 years without a prescription, also the Pharmacies would need to contact the Primary Care Provider and NCID to record such vaccinations given within 24 hours. Public Health should be involved in this process in some type of authoritative manner. A fee to the Pharmacies could be imposed by the BOH if placed under the Health Department to oversee and or train pharmacists to administer vaccines. The bill is still being looked at.

**CHAIR COMMENT:** There is the position of Vice Chair currently open. Dr. Oliver would like for the nominating committee to begin considering filling this position.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

A motion was made by Dr. McClain to adjourn, seconded by, Ms. Ziegler. Richard Oliver adjourned the meeting at 7:15pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Gibbie Harris, Secretary

Adopted:

Richard Oliver, Chair