

Health and Human Services Board Meeting

March 28, 2014

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The Buncombe County Health and Human Services Board met for its meeting on March 28, 2014 at 12:00 p.m. In attendance were Health and Human Services Board Members Bill McElrath, Chairperson; Susanne Swanger, Vice-Chairperson; Terry VanDuyn, Richard Oliver, Don Locke, Winnie Ziegler, Rick Weigel, Sharon West, Frank Castelblanco, Rick Elingburg, Candrice Thul, as well as Mandy Stone, Health and Human Services Director. In attendance were Buncombe County HSST staff Jim Holland, Rich Munger, Christina McEntee, Rob Morrell, Rachel Nygaard, and Karan Smith. Health and Human Services staff present were Gibbie Harris, Lisa Eby Phillip Hardin, Stacy Wood, Linda Tettambel, Suzanne Avett, Katie Swanson, Leigh Anderson, Bryan Holgerson, Esther Lail, Rhonda Ashley, Jennifer Johnson, Stacey Wood, Dawn Warren, Becky Kessel, Kevin Turner, Jennifer Mullendore, Keynon Lake, Patricia Wallin, Gaylen Ehrlichman, Ben Atkins and Christa Lance. Michael Frue, County Attorney was in attendance. Commissioner Joe Belcher was in attendance.

MEETING TO ORDER

Bill McElrath, Health and Human Services Board Chairperson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

- The Board reviewed the March 28, 2014 Board agenda. Board member Frank Castelblanco moved that the Board agenda be approved as presented. Board member Sharon West seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in approval.
- The Chairperson asked if any Board member had any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matter coming before the Board and none were stated.
- The Board reviewed the February 28, 2014 Board minutes. Board member Sharon West motioned that the minutes be approved as presented. Board member Winnie Ziegler seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in approval.
- A copy of the March 28, 2014 board agenda and February 28, 2014 minutes are attached and made a part of these minutes.

GOOD NEWS

Lisa Eby reported to the Board on the Tip and Toss video that received an Excellence in Communication award. Lisa introduced Keynon Lake, Jennifer Johnson, Ben Atkins, and Gaylen Ehrlichman who worked on the video.

BUDGET FY13 FINANCIALS

- Jim Holland provided a dashboard overview of the FY14 financials with the Board.
- The Board reviewed a proposed budget amendment to lower the work hour threshold for eligibility to a range of 30 to 25 hours. Don Locke motioned that the Board reduce the work hour requirement. Richard Oliver seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in approval.
- Jim Holland provided an overview of the FY15 budget proposal. One item discussed was the potential impact of employees of contract agencies are unable to access the NCFast system. This could result in these services having to be provided by merited DSS employees which would have a \$1.1-\$1.4 million dollar impact on the County budget. Don Locke motioned that a letter be drafted to advocate that the State allow contract employees access to NC FAST. Terry VanDuyn seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in approval. The motion included a second

advocacy item to address the need for NC FAST interface with our document imaging system. A letter will be drafted for the Board to sign.

- Terry VanDuyn moved that the Board support the endorsement to the County Commissioners on the FY15 budget. Candrice Thul seconded the motion and the vote was approved with Commissioner David King abstaining.
- A copy of the financial dashboard, the revision of eligibility determination, the budget PowerPoint and the PAR are attached and made a part of these minutes.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Gibbie Harris presented the monthly morbidity summary to the Board. She noted that some data elements require further refinement and her intent was to share the proposed format with the Board. The report will be a part of the Board packet going forward. Gibbie then provided a follow up presentation on her email alert specific to County Health Rankings. She also updated the Board on recent environmental health issues related to ground water for rivers and streams, wells and septic tanks, and community concerns related to the coal ash ponds. Gibbie clarified the limited role and authority of public health in these environmental areas.

CHAIRS REPORT AND ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson McElrath then advised he would entertain a motion to adjourn. Board member Don Locke moved that the meeting be adjourned at 1:40 p.m. Board member David King seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous approval.

Minutes read and approved this ____ day of _____, 2014.

Health and Human Services
Board Chairperson

Amanda L. Stone
Executive Secretary to the Board