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STANLY COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Meeting Minutes

The Stanly County Board of Health met on Thursday, April 6th, 2017 at the Stanly County Health Department.

Board members present were: Larry Faulkner, Jann Lowder, Dr. Amy Jordan, Ric Cain, Shirley Lowder, Dr. Keenya Little, Conrad Carter, Dr. Dianne Daniels, Dr. Tom Norwood, Dr. Janice Dunlap and Dr. Joan Eudy.

Health Department Staff Present: Debbie Bennett, Patti Lewis, Becky Mckeeon, Teri Bowers and Health Director Dennis Joyner.

Welcome and Call to Order:

Chair Larry Faulkner welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

Approval of March 2nd, 2017 Board of Health Meeting Minutes:

Chair Larry Faulkner presented the March 2nd, 2017 Board of Health meeting minutes for consideration of approval.

Motion: After review of the March 2nd meeting minutes, Conrad Carter moved that they be approved as written with a second by Shirley Lowder. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

There were no general public members in attendance requesting to speak to the board.

Health Director's Report:

- A. Personnel Update** – Mr. Joyner announced that Beth Ferree, RN, began work as a PHN II with the Home Health Department on March 29, 2017. Another employee, April Foreman, RN will be leaving Home Health as of April 12th. We are currently recruiting for that upcoming vacancy and have interviewed a couple applicants already.
- B. FY2016-17 Expenditures and Revenue** – Reports on program revenue and expenditures were presented for review. At 66% into the fiscal year, revenues are at 69% with expenditures at 63% as of 02/28/17. Mr. Joyner pointed out that Home Health numbers were below anticipated levels for this point in the fiscal year, but stated after a large re-bill of Medicare Denials in March, revenue should look better next month. Expenditures seemed on track at this point into the year.

C. Program Performance Reports – Program Performance Reports were presented for review and discussion. Numbers seemed consistent with prior month’s performance. Mr. Joyner pointed out home health volume stayed up with therapy visits high. General Clinic and Dental Health were consistent too. Bite investigation appeared up for Animal Control. Again there were questions about the 10 day turn around for percentage of soil evaluations completed within 10 days of requests. Once again, Mr. Joyner explained these hold ups were due to contractors or the owners. Also, the benchmark of 10 day turnaround time is not a state requirement but a goal the department had set. Employee Wellness numbers remain consistent.

New Business:

A. 2016-18 Health Department Strategic Plan – Progress Update – Mr. Joyner gave a slide presentation and progress update on the Health Department Strategic Plan. He reviewed Goals and Activities of the plan with the Members of the Board. Some of those activities include The Search for the Golden Shoe, Minority Health Council, year round Farmers Market, Promotion of Breast Feeding and The N.C. Quit Line. Mr. Joyner also shared a goal of overall better operational efficiency of departmental programs, such as maximizing the use of technology. Implementation of Project Lazarus, which addresses opioid addiction, is still underway along with the N.C. Needle Exchange Program. The Media and Outreach Committee has been instrumental in coming up with new ideas for outreach and public health awareness in the community. Debbie Bennett, Health Educator at Stanly County Health Department, was in attendance and was asked if she’d like to speak about the Media and Outreach Committee. Debbie stated that the reason this committee has worked so well together is due to having members from each departmental unit that can bounce ideas around and come up with some great solutions. Mr. Joyner also discussed that we have several staff that are involved with community agencies such as Butterfly House, Community Care Clinic, and Coltrane Life Center.

B. 2017 County Health Rankings in North Carolina – Mr. Joyner introduced Debbie Bennett, Health Educator at Stanly County Health Department who gave a slide presentation of the 2017 County Health Rankings in North Carolina which is an annual report compiled by the University of Wisconsin. Debbie stated this report gives a nice idea of where people live, work and play and how health is influenced by that. She stressed this report can be used as a good starting point to see what health related issues need to be addressed in our county. Debbie was thanked for her informative presentation.

Unfinished Business:

A. 2017-18 – Budget Preparation – The Health Department Budget Committee members will be meeting Monday, April 24th at noon. Mr. Joyner stated at the May Board of Health Meeting, we will be presenting the budget request.

B. Board of Health New Member Orientation - Mr. Joyner conducted a New Board of Health Member Orientation on March 21st with newest member, Dr. Dianne Daniels.

- C. **Community Health Expo – April 25th, 2017, Morrow Mtn Community Building** – A flyer was passed out to Board of Health Members with information on this upcoming event. This year the Health Expo is geared more toward physical activity and guest speaker will be accomplished hiker and author, Jennifer Pharr-Davis.
- D. **Community Health Assessment Action Plan** – Mr. Joyner explained that at a prior Board of Health Meeting, it was discussed that the 3 priority issues chosen for the Action Plan were Heart Disease, Substance Abuse and Suicide Prevention. Mr. Joyner entertained a motion for consideration of approval of the Community Health Assessment Action Plan.

Motion: After review and discussion of the Community Health Action Plan Priority Issues, Dr. Tom Norwood moved that the Priority Issues of Heart Disease, Substance Abuse and Suicide Prevention be approved with a second by Dr. Janice Dunlap. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business:

- A. **Departmental /Program Activities & Updates** – Mr. Joyner shared with the board that after an unannounced visit by the Medicare Survey Team with Home Health, a corrective action plan has been submitted and approved.

Our 2016 Medicaid Cost Settlement Cost Report has been completed, so we are now awaiting the Medicaid Cost Settlement Payment.

Animal Control Shelter floor resurfacing is complete. Mr. Joyner shared a few slide pictures of the new floor which is much more durable due to the epoxy coating and angled corners for better cleaning.

Staff is currently working on Reaccreditation with documentation due in June and the Site Visit later in September or October.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Chair Larry Faulkner called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: A motion was made by Shirley Lowder with a second by Conrad Carter that the Stanly County Board of Health meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dennis R. Joyner, Secretary
Stanly County Board of Health