

CONSOLIDATED HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2019 – 6:00 PM

Call to Order / Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance

The Stanly County Consolidated Health and Human Services Board met on Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 6:00 PM in the Commissioners Meeting Room.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Nancy Smoak	Board Member	Present	
Boyd Huneycutt	Board Member	Present	
Joan Eudy	Board Member	Present	
Ric Cain	Board Member	Present	
Beth Thomas	Board Member	Absent	
Tom Norwood	Board Member	Present	
James Marshall	Board Member	Present	
Shirley D Lowder	Board Member	Present	
Amy Jordan	Board Member	Present	
Georgette Edgerton	Board Member	Present	
Caroline Sawyer	Board Member	Present	
Larry Gibson	Board Member	Present	
Mike Barbee	Commissioner	Present	
Tommy Jordan	Commissioner	Present	
Jann Lowder	Board Member	Present	
Elizabeth Teal	Board Member	Absent	
Michael A Williams	Board Member	Present	

Mr. Michael Williams was sworn in prior to the meeting.

Chair Lowder called the meeting to order, led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Introduction of New Staff

Mr. David Jenkins introduced Wendy Growcock, who started her duties as Health Education Specialist on January 2nd, 2019. She was the only new employee to be introduced this evening.

Adoption of Agenda

With no amendments to the agenda, Nancy Smoak moved to approve the agenda as presented with a second by Shirley Lowder. Motion approved unanimously.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Nancy Smoak, Board Member

SECONDER: Shirley D Lowder, Board Member

AYES: Smoak, Huneycutt, Eudy, Cain, Norwood, Marshall, Lowder, Jordan, Edgerton, Sawyer,

Gibson, Barbee, Jordan, Lowder, Williams

ABSENT: Thomas, Teal

Creating Healthier Communities

Mrs. Carleen Crawford, Regional Tobacco Control Manager- NC Health Region 4, used a PowerPoint presentation to address the board and share information on how tobacco use is still a problem. The presentation focused on creating healthier communities and policies to combat smoking in unwanted public areas. She included charts and graphs in the presentation and it indicated Stanly County is behind in tobacco-free or smoke-free written regulations in comparing with peer counties. After discussion regarding smokeless and tobacco-less laws concerning government grounds, Dr. Amy Jordan suggested the board should view several options for regulation.

1. MOTION TO: DRAFT AND PRESENT OPTIONS FOR SMOKELESS OR TOBACCO-LESS WRITTEN REGULATIONS

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Nancy Smoak, Board Member

SECONDER: Shirley D Lowder, Board Member

AYES: Smoak, Huneycutt, Eudy, Cain, Norwood, Marshall, Lowder, Jordan, Edgerton,

Sawyer, Gibson, Barbee, Jordan, Lowder, Williams

ABSENT: Beth Thomas, Elizabeth Teal

Substance Misuse Update

Jennifer Layton, Human Services Program Specialist at the Stanly County Health Department, gave a brief update to board members regarding the current Opioid misuse problem in the county. Ms. Layton shared that after five straight months, we are no longer first in the state for opioid overdoses. She advised this doesn't mean we should let our guard down or curb the efforts of the community to combat this epidemic. Ms. Layton shared some of the outreach and efforts being made by the Health Department and community partners, and emphasized the need to improve access to care for treatment placements. After questions and comments by board members, Ms. Layton was thanked for her update.

"Healthy Beginnings" Grant Presentation - Accreditation Activities 39.1, 10.4, 12.2

Patricia Hancock, Nursing Director at Stanly County Health Department, used a powerpoint presentation to explain the "Healthy Beginnings" grant which the department seeks permission to pursue. She explained this grant is for funding of a position to provide one on one case management for at risk pregnant mothers, after delivery and up until the child turns two years of age in an effort to reduce the infant mortality rate among minority babies. After a period of questions and comments, board members voted on approval to pursue this grant.

1. MOTION TO: APPROVE PERMISSION TO PURSUE THE "HEALTHY BEGINNINGS" GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,000

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Larry Gibson, Board Member

SECONDER: Tom Norwood, Board Member

AYES: Smoak, Huneycutt, Eudy, Cain, Norwood, Marshall, Lowder, Jordan, Edgerton,

Sawyer, Gibson, Barbee, Jordan, Lowder, Williams

ABSENT: Beth Thomas, Elizabeth Teal

D.S.S. Updates

A. D.S.S. Report of Services - Nov. 2018

Mrs. Dolly Clayton states that revenue is at 28% and expenditures at 37% through November, 2018. Mrs. Clayton highlighted some of the performance numbers as she reviewed the report with board members. She also acknowledged other achievements by department staff such as creating the Christmas Angel Wish List for 19 adult individuals who lack family, friends or other support in which staff throughout Health and Human Services department adopted a participant and purchased items from their wish list, which was delivered by D.S.S. social workers in the adult services unit. There were several churches and others who sponsored a foster care angel tree this year which included New Life Church, Atrium Cancer Institute (Stanly), Prospect Baptist Church, Kendalls Baptist Church, Salem United Methodist Church, Carolina Presbyterian Church and Karen Linker. She shared that they spent \$100 on each of their wards to purchase necessities they might need and was honored to announce the adoption of a sibling set in December who had been in D.S.S. custody for over two years. They also had 17 new potential foster parents who completed the Model Approach to Partnership in Parenting (MAPP) classes and shared that two former foster children who were eventually adopted, came and spoke to the group about their experience in foster care. Mrs. Clayton pointed out that both of these high schoolers are doing well, are successful students and reflects highly on the positive job their agency is doing. In addition, one of the foster care workers received a Christmas card from a parent whose children were returned to her just prior to Christmas and she thanked the worker for linking her with the foster parents church for their Christmas support, so that the children could have presents and she also emailed the supervisor acknowledging the support that she received from the foster care social worker, to help her meet her goals to get her children back. Regarding the potential impact of the federal government shutdown, Mrs. Clayton shared an update from Susan Perry-Manning, who is Principal Deputy Secretary of NCDHHS, who states they are closely monitoring any potential impact, but as of now, based on the latest information, there is sufficient funding for TANF and SNAP (food and nutrition services) and WIC through at least part of February, and sufficient funding for child care subsidies for at least several months and to continue to operate programs as usual and new information will be provided as needed. Finally, Mrs. Clayton states they received 346 applications for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) from December 3-31st and 143 applications for the first two days of January, 2019. She praised staff for working so diligently to handle the huge volume of clients, process paperwork and making sure their wait time is not excessive.

Health Department Updates

A. <u>1120</u>: Health Department FY18-19 Expenditures and Revenue Report (Accreditation Activity 33.6)

Mr. Jenkins shared that revenue is at 33% and expenditures at 38% through November, 2018. Also, Mr. Jenkins states he has contacted the UNC School of Public Health in reference to conducting an organizational assessment to include coding and billing pieces for clinic and dental to see if there are some areas for improvement to ensure faster payment processing.

B. Activities Summary Stanly County Health Department, Nov. 2018

Mr. Jenkins asked if there were any questions concerning the Monthly Activities Report included in their board packet. Chair Jann Lowder noticed an increase in admissions for home health in November and was curious if there was any specific reason for this. After discussion, Patricia Hancock, who was in attendance stated they were unaware of anything specific other than increased referrals. Mr. Jenkins is continuing to work with staff and Lorie Kayler and Associates to assess and prepare for potential application to become a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC). Debbie Bennett, Health Educator at the Health Department, has finalized the Community Health Assessment which will be presented at the February Health and Human Services meeting before presenting to the county commissioners. Mr. Jenkins thanked Ms. Bennett for all her hard work to accomplish this task. Also, he has been in conversation with consulting firm, CliftonLarsonAllen, LLC and has requested they present at the next meeting in regard to our home health agency and the changes going on at the state and federal level regarding home health care, which will provide an overview and an opportunity to ask questions. Finally, in regards to the federal government shutdown, Mr. Jenkins shared the latest information received from the state indicate WIC funds will be available until mid February.

Consolidated Human Services Updates

A. Health and Human Services Board Member Handbooks (Accreditation Activity 36.2)

Mr. Jenkins states that he, Dolly Clayton and Andy Lucas have been evaluating capital projects, specifically in regards to both Health and D.S.S. reception areas, regarding renovations. He states the board will be updated with the funding of this project, updates, and plans which will be brought before the board for approval at a later date. Also, he and Mrs. Clayton are planning to present the Health and Human Services Board member training at the March meeting and suggested that any board members, especially new, may come at 5:00 p.m. for a brief tour of the agency (Health and D.S.S.). A reminder will be sent to board members.

Finally, new board members were presented their new handbooks and second term members were provided updates to insert into their existing handbooks.

Adoption of Consent Agenda

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Caroline Sawyer, Board Member

SECONDER: Joan Eudy, Board Member

AYES: Smoak, Huneycutt, Eudy, Cain, Norwood, Marshall, Lowder, Jordan, Edgerton, Sawyer,

Gibson, Barbee, Jordan, Lowder, Williams

ABSENT: Thomas, Teal

- A. Meeting Minutes December 6, 2018
- B. Budget Amendment Animal Control
- C. DSS Budget Amendment Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP)

Public Comments

Adjournment

A. MOTION TO: MOTION TO ADJOURN

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RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Tom Norwood, Board Member

SECONDER: James Marshall, Board Member

AYES: Smoak, Huneycutt, Eudy, Cain, Norwood, Marshall, Lowder, Jordan, Edgerton,

Sawyer, Gibson, Barbee, Jordan, Lowder, Williams

ABSENT: Beth Thomas, Elizabeth Teal