



**CONSOLIDATED HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2022 – 6:00 PM

Call to Order / Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance

The Stanly County Consolidated Health and Human Services Board met on Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 6:00 PM in the Health and Human Services Auditorium.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Scott Efird	Commissioner	Present	
Nancy Smoak	Board Member	Present	
Joan Eudy	Board Member	Absent	
Ric Cain	Vice Chairman	Present	
Beth Thomas	Board Member	Present	
Tom Norwood	Board Member	Present	
James Marshall	Board Member	Excused	
Amy Jordan	Board Member	Present	
Georgette Edgerton	Board Member	Present	
Larry Gibson	Board Member	Present	
Tommy Jordan	Chairman	Present	
Jann Lowder	Chairman	Present	
Elizabeth Teal	Board Member	Present	
Laura Harbeson	Board Member	Present	
Kristi Small	Board Member	Present	
Wendell Drye	Board Member	Present	
Diane Robinson	Board Member	Present	
Jenny Hinson	Board Member	Present	
Sherry Poplin	Board Member	Present	

Chair Jann Lowder called the February 3rd, 2022 meeting to order with Mr. Larry Gibson providing the invocation and leading the pledge of allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda

Chair Lowder proposed to amend the agenda by adding Budget Amendment #2022-62, 620 ARPA COVID-19 School Health Team as item B, under section VII and moving current item B, Meetings Minutes to item C. Also, she added DSS Report of Services for November 2021 to Section IV. A motion was made by Larry Gibson, seconded by Dr. Tom Norwood, to approve the Agenda as amended.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Larry Gibson, Board Member
SECONDER:	Tom Norwood, Board Member
AYES:	Efird, Smoak, Eudy, Cain, Thomas, Norwood, Jordan, Edgerton, Gibson, Jordan, Lowder, Teal, Harbeson, Small, Drye, Robinson, Hinson, Poplin
EXCUSED:	Marshall

Scheduled Agenda Items

1. 2021 Community Health Assessment (CHA) Report (Activity Report 1.2, 1.3)

Debbie Bennett, Public Health Educator with the Stanly County Health Department, gave a preliminary report on the 2021 Community Health Assessment (CHA). The CHA is done in conjunction with Atrium Health every three years and extremely helpful to organizations who are seeking grants and helpful in setting goals. Ms. Bennett used a powerpoint presentation to review data and explained data is accumulated through community health surveys, focus groups, state data and local agencies. The slide contained leading causes of mortality from 2015-2019 along with graphs showing trends for Stanly County compared to the state. Also included were 2021 leading health issues identified, access to services issues and community issues. The Stanly County Health Department Health Priorities to focus on for the next three years are Substance Misuse/Overdose, Healthy Living (obesity/overweight) and Mental Health. Ms. Bennett explained that statistics could be updated before the final report is ready and she will update those statistics if that happens and estimates the final report being ready in about a month. Ms. Bennett was thanked for her presentation.

2. COVID-19 Update

Mr. Jenkins used a slide presentation to present the latest COVID-19 data for the county. The presentation included the number of daily cases, break through cases, hospitalizations, deaths, positivity rate and the number of vaccinated and partially vaccinated individuals. The presentation included a graph showing the trend from May 2, 2021 thru January 29, 2022 indicating our positive cases appear to be going down. He explained a fourth dose, or booster, is available for the immunocompromised individuals and reviewed the updated quarantine guidelines. Time was allowed for questions from Board members.

D.S.S. Updates

A. DSS Report of Services - December 2021

Mrs. Dolly Clayton reviewed the DSS Report of Services for November and December, 2021 ending December 2021 with revenue at 32% and expenditures at 44%. In reviewing economic services, she states they are continuing to trend upward in both Medicaid and Food and Nutrition Services (FNS). Mrs. Clayton highlighted some accomplishments by staff stating the Recipient Eligibility Determinations Audit (REDA) continues to go well, filled two vacant positions by lateral transfers and have contracted some temporary social work staff. They continue to have vacant CPS positions they are working hard to fill. She pointed out that FNS recertifications has started back on January 1st after being suspended during the pandemic, which has caused additional caseload burden on FNS staff. The Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) has taken 303 applications since December and the new program, Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) has taken 9 applications, however they are still trying to get the word out about this new program.

Mrs. Clayton shared that the DSS staff collected supplies and money for donation for the Stanly County Humane Society in honor of Betty White's upcoming 100th birthday, stating how proud she was of the

staff for this thoughtful gesture. Also, she recorded a segment for the Stanly Spotlight in January and she passed out to Board members a copy of the DSS updated annual report. In closing, Mrs. Clayton stressed how proud she is of the staff for their perseverance working through the pandemic to make sure the citizens of Stanly County needs are met.

Health Department Updates

A. Exp/Rev Report thru Dec. 2021 *Action Required*

The Health Department Budget Performance Report was included in the Board members packet for review. Mr. Jenkins once again reminded Board members the department has received so much federal funding for the pandemic that it's hard to judge where they stand in regards to the budget at this time. He had no further comments in regard to the report.

A Motion was made by Dr. Norwood to accept the report as presented, seconded by Sherry Poplin. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tom Norwood, Board Member
SECONDER:	Sherry Poplin, Board Member
AYES:	Efird, Smoak, Eudy, Cain, Thomas, Norwood, Jordan, Edgerton, Gibson, Jordan, Lowder, Teal, Harbeson, Small, Drye, Robinson, Hinson, Poplin
EXCUSED:	Marshall

B. Activities Summary Report - Dec. 2021

The Activities report through December 2021 is included in the Board members packet for review. Mr. Jenkins stated Environmental Health is still very busy with new housing developments and had no further updates regarding the activities report.

Consolidated Human Services Updates

Chair Lowder presented to the Board members in regards to a Board volunteer application by Stan Leggett, and shared that there is one opening in the Consumer of Human Services position. She shared that Mr. Leggett had served previously on the Board of Health and his experience would suggest he make a good candidate to fill the vacant spot. After discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Tom Norwood, seconded by Larry Gibson to recommend consideration of Stan Leggett to fill the vacant Consumer of Human Services Board member position for the Consolidated Human Services Board.

Adoption of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Dr. Tom Norwood to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, with a second by Diane Robinson. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tom Norwood, Board Member
SECONDER:	Diane Robinson, Board Member
AYES:	Efird, Smoak, Eudy, Cain, Thomas, Norwood, Jordan, Edgerton, Gibson, Jordan, Lowder, Teal, Harbeson, Small, Drye, Robinson, Hinson, Poplin
EXCUSED:	Marshall

A. Budget Amendment #2022-50, 716 COVID-19 Vaccination Program Rev#1

B. 12-02-21 HHS Meeting Minutes

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

There was a motion made by Sherry Poplin to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Larry Gibson, and carried by unanimous vote.