



SOUTHWEST PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT

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Board of Health Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2014

Board of Health Members present: Dr. Robert Clay, Mayor Jim Quinn, Dr. Larry Walters, Dr. John Vance, Ms. Patricia Tharp, Ms. Ellen Phelps, and Commissioner Muggridge

District Health Staff present: Dr. Jacqueline Grant, District Health Director, Kitty Bishop, Director of Nursing and Clinical Services, Trish Johnson, District Administrative Manager, Dewayne Tanner, District Environmental Health Manager, and Remy Hutchins, ACID Program Manager.

Visitors: Kimberly Scott, Cancer Coalition, George Teaford, Medical Student, Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Jones

Lee County Health Department Staff: Dana Hager, County Nurse Manager, Ken Collins, Environmental Health County Manager, and Sharon Woods, Administrative Coordinator.

Dr. Clay called the meeting to order and welcomed Ellen Phelps, George Teaford, and Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Jones.

Dr. Clay recognized and presented Mr. Jones with a certificate for fourteen years of service on the Lee County Board of Health.

Dr. Clay asked for any additions or corrections to the December 3, 2013 minutes meeting. Minutes were approved as submitted.

Old Business

Dewayne Tanner

Requested the Board of Health to approve requiring soil scientist reports for new lots not in a subdivision.

Discussion was held concerning the benefits and concerns of requiring soil scientist reports for these lots.

Commissioner Muggridge made the motion to not require the soil scientist reports and Mayor Quinn seconded. Board voted and motion failed.

Dr. Vance made a motion to require soil scientist reports. Dr. Walters seconded. Board voted and motion was carried.

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New Business

Remy Hutchins

- Tobacco Free school policy has been adopted.
- Lee County Schools are number 97 in the state of Georgia to adopt the Tobacco Free School policy.
- Signage has been delivered to the school for installation.
- Kick-butts day “Behind the Cloud” is March 18, 2014 from 5:00-6:30 at the Leesburg Library.

Kimberly Scott

- The media campaign will be beginning. There will be a billboard either at Publix or Walmart.
- There will also be Facebook ads and theatre ads that will run during previews.

Dr. Grant – District Health Update

- Presented Power Point “Georgia SHAPE, Power up for 30.” This is a joint initiative supported by Georgia Departments of Education and Public Health. Integrates 30 minutes of physical activity seamlessly into the school day. Supports research connecting physical activity and academic performance.
- Health Departments were asked to find out if Board of Health has liability insurance as an entity. If the Board of Health as an entity is not covered, it is highly recommend to have this coverage.
- Each Board of Health Member has liability coverage thru the state.
- Initially thought that the Health Departments would be auto enrolled as providers in the Affordable Care Act; however the Health Department were not enrolled. Blue Cross Blue Shield is the only carrier in Georgia. Working to enroll with Blue Cross Blue Shield as providers.
- Southwest Georgia Cancer Coalition received the “Mutual of America” award for cancer screening program in 33 counties. Health Departments provide women’s health screenings.
- Southwest Georgia Health District received a \$450,000.00 award for centering and a grant from March of Dimes.
- Doctor’s Day at the capital focused on Tele-Medicine featuring the Centering Program. Cisco, the equipment that is used for Tele-Medicine, has an innovation use award and the State of Georgia received that award and featured the use of telemedicine in the Centering Pregnancy® Program.

Rick Muggridge said that each Board member can have their volunteer service added to their homeowners’ policy for a nominal fee. This additional coverage is encouraged.

Dana Hager – Clinical Update

- New employees are currently working on the orientation process.
- Partnered with the Lee County School Nurses to do Scoliosis Screening on 6th and 8th grade students at the two Middle Schools last month.

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- There has been an increase in the number of patients requesting the Breast Test and More Program. We have a partnership with the Cancer Coalition, and receive referrals thru that office as well as persons calling the health department directly. Twenty patients were seen thru this program from December 2013 – February 2014.
- New changes with school requirements: Immunizations 7th grade and the Hearing, Vision, Dental screening for school that is required for entry into GA schools is to include BMI.

Ken Collins – Environmental Health Update

- Environmental Health has been busy the past two months with repairs. This may be due to increased rain fall.
- Some new systems have been installed.
- Food service - Evaluating reports to see which violations occur most often to help prevent health risk and hazards.
- Five years ago went thru standardization training and are currently going thru re-standardization training. The grant was originally thru FDA but now is thru NACCHO (National Association of County and City Health Officials).

There being no further business Dr. Clay adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Woods
Administrative Coordinator

cc: Board of Health members
Dr. Jacqueline Grant
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Kitty Bishop, RN, BSN, MSN
Dewayne Tanner
Trish Johnson

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