

WILSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

Tuesday, June 8, 2010

The Wilson County Board of Health held a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 in the Board Room at the Wilson County Health Department. Members present were:

Dr. Ralph B. Perry, Jr., O.D.
Norma Velasco
Samuel Teurel-Velez
Ronnie Sutton

Dr. Richard D. Scott, D.V.M
Dr. Jonathon Dewald
Debra Tripp, MSN, RN, FNP-C
Michael Lamonds

Others present:

Felix Meyer, Rebecca Hunt-Hawley, Karen Boyette, Phyllis Rathbun, Brenda Lanier and Lynn Barnes.

Welcome

Dr. Ralph B. Perry, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and extended a welcome to attendees. Mr. Ronnie Sutton and Mr. Samuel Teurel-Velez were sworn in for a second term and Mr. Michael Lamonds was sworn in for a third term. Dr. Perry extended his appreciation to Mr. Sutton, Mr. Teurel-Velez and Mr. Lamonds for agreeing to serve the board for three more years.

Approval of Minutes of April 13, 2010 meeting

The minutes from the April meeting were accepted without corrections, additions, or deletions.

Closed Session

After the approval of the April 13th, 2010 minutes, the board moved in to a closed session. After the closed session, Mrs. Debra Tripp made the motion to return to open session and Dr. Richard D. Scott seconded.

Health Director's Report

Mr. Meyer welcomed everyone to the meeting as the meeting returned to open session. Mr. Sutton, Mr. Teurel-Velez and Mr. Lamonds were thanked for agreeing to serve the Board of Health for another term. Apologies were extended to the Board members for "anonymous" letters that some have received. Mr. Sutton reported he had received some of the anonymous letters and stated for the record, he does not put any credence to anonymous letters. He also added that if any employee doesn't feel they can follow the proper grievance procedures, he would be willing to talk with them on an individual basis in confidence and take appropriate action from there. A \$5000 stipend was received from the Public Health Accreditation Board. Several health departments were evaluated and assessed and compared on national standard level. Phyllis Rathbun, RN, Quality Assurance monitor was recognized for many hours spent on the self assessment tool and preparing for the site assessment scheduled for July 21, 2010. Rebecca Hunt-Hawley, RN, Director of Nursing discussed Kinrix, a combination Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis and Polio immunization that is received by the State. The health department is ordering some Kinrix

privately and asked for the Board's approval to charge a fee of \$48.24. Mr. Michael Lamonds made the motion to accept and Dr. Richard D. Scott seconded. Mr. Meyer recognized Brenda Lanier, who will be retiring July 30, 2010. The TB response and testing at Fike High School was discussed. The budget for FY 10/11 was discussed and was presented to the County Commissioners on April 19, 2010 and it was later directed to reduce the budget from 12.3M to 11.6M by the County Manager. The County Commissioners have asked for additional time to study the budget and will be meeting again next week. The two MOW positions will be eliminated on June 30, 2010. Nutritionist position for WIC has been filled after a long vacancy. Home Health personnel hiring has been stable.

Rebecca Hunt-Hawley, RN, Director of Nursing gave a presentation on Personal Health. The different programs, funding, the Personal Health team and what they do was discussed. A short video presentation titled Generation Public Health was shown at the conclusion of Mrs. Hunt-Hawley's, RN presentation.

Board Chairperson's Report

Dr. Perry said he had nothing to report. Election of officers was held. Mrs. Debra Tripp made the motion to nominate Dr. Ralph Perry, Jr. for Chairman and Mr. Ronnie Sutton seconded with no opposition. Mrs. Debra Tripp made the motion to nominate Mr. Ronnie Sutton to be Vice-Chair and Dr. Ralph Perry, Jr. seconded with no opposition. At the conclusion of the meeting, Mrs. Debra Tripp who has served three terms on the Board of Health was thanked and recognized for her service with a plaque.

Questions from the Board

Dr. Perry asked if there were any questions from the Board. No one, at this time, had any questions.

Concerns of the Public

None present.

Adjournment- There being no further business Dr. Perry adjourned the meeting at approximately at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Felix Meyer, Secretary
Wilson County Board of Health

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