WILSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES

Monday, August 10, 2009

The Wilson County Board of Health held a regular meeting on Monday, August 10, 2009 in the Board Room at the Wilson County Health Department. Members present were:

Dr. Ralph B. Perry, Jr., O.D.	Dr. Richard D. Scott, D.V.M
Ronnie Sutton	Richard Hudson
Samuel Teurel-Velez	Debra Tripp, MSN, RN, FNP-C
Josephine Edwards	Dr. William Boles, III, D.D.S.

Others present:
Felix Meyer, Rebecca Hunt-Hawley, Debra Harris, Karen Boyette, Chris Smith, Tammra Morrison, Lynn Kearney, Brenda Lanier, Judy House, Jean Lake and Lynn Barnes.

Welcome

Dr. Ralph B. Perry, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and extended a welcome to attendees.

Approval of Minutes of June 9, 2009 meeting

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

Health Director's Report

It was announced that Norma Velasco has been appointed to the Board of Health. The Board of Health Operating Procedures that were distributed prior to the meeting was discussed. Debra Tripp made a motion to accept and Richard Hudson seconded. Red Flag rules that are federally mandated are posted on the County web site. Mr. Meyer reported that he, Rebecca Hunt-Hawley, DON and Karen Boyette, Social Work Supervisor met with NC Legislators to appeal MCC/CSC case management cuts. Activity regarding H1N1 was discussed with more to follow. Colposcopies are anticipated to begin this month. Lisa Weppler, RN, CNM proposes to start IUD insertions at a rate of 57.00 per event. Approval was asked for this new service from the Board of Health. Ronnie Sutton made a motion to accept and Debra Tripp seconded. Lisa Weppler also proposes to do Implanon insertions at a rate of 89.00 and do Implanon removals at a rate of 108.00. After this procedure was discussed, Ronnie Sutton made a motion to accept and Debra Tripp seconded. Discussion was held on the Shingles vaccine that is proposed to be given at a rate of 200.00 per shot. Debra Tripp made the motion to accept and Josephine Edwards seconded. Board of Health Committee appointments were distributed and posted to the web site. The Board was asked for their approval of the Health Disparities Policy that was posted on the web site. Josephine Edwards made the motion to accept and Debra Tripp seconded. Also, the Customer Friendly Service Policy that was posted to the web site was presented for approval. Ronnie Sutton made the motion to accept and Debra Tripp seconded. The budget was discussed. There have been major budget cuts to all programs and more should be known by the October meeting. Brenda Lanier reported that there would be major cuts to our Medicaid rates. New services that are starting to show progress are, Dental Varnishing, Post-Partum Home Visits, Primary Care and Sports Physicals. A new fee schedule was distributed for acceptance. Debra Tripp made a motion to accept and Ronnie Sutton seconded. Home Health has now added a Nutritionist

for a long standing vacancy as well as a new Public Health Nurse. Current staffing is at 97%. Due to the current budget reductions from the County, a modified hiring freeze has been imposed. The Home Health Quarterly Report was given. (See Handout) Mr. Meyer reported he would be doing a presentation at the NCPHA 100th Anniversary on Saving Money and Feeling Good. He also reported the Health Department had received the Silver Certificate of Safety Achievement from the NC Department of Labor for safety and health efforts. The Health Department has been selected as Sentinel Provider Site for epidemiology reporting. Tammra Morrison, RN and Chris Smith, Environmental Health Supervisor gave public briefings on H1N1to the Wilson and Elm City Rotary Clubs and to the NE District Environmental Health Quarterly Meeting. Karen Boyette, Social Work Supervisor was nominated and selected to serve on *ad hoc* Case Management Steering committee of NCPHA/NCALHD concerning MCC/CSC. Report was given on the Sentinel Provider Site, a site that will monitor the status of influenza activity statewide. Tammra Morrison, RN gave a current update on H1N1. Board of Health officers were nominated and elected. Debra Tripp nominated Dr. Ralph Perry, Jr. to serve as Chair and Dr. William Boles, III seconded. Dr. Ralph Perry, Jr. was elected and agreed to serve as Chair. Dr. William Boles, III nominated Ronnie Sutton to serve as Vice-Chair and Richard Hudson seconded. Ronnie Sutton agreed to serve as Vice-Chair.

Board Chairperson's Report

Dr. Perry had nothing to report.

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.

Adjournment- There being no further business Dr. Perry adjourned the meeting at approximately at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Felix Meyer, Secretary
Wilson County Board of Health

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