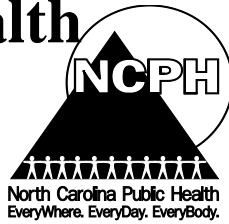


# Forsyth County Board of Health



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## BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES September 6, 2017

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. John Davenport  
Dr. Keith Cash  
Dr. Calvert Jeffers  
Dr. Charles Massler  
Ms. Heather Parker  
Dr. Peter Robie  
Dr. Scott Schroeder  
Dr. Ricky Sides  
Ms. Gloria Whisenhunt

### MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Amanda Kistler  
Mr. J. Phil Seats

### GUESTS PRESENT

Ms. Shontell Robinson, County Human Resources  
Ms. Phyllis Russell, County Budget Office  
Ms. Ronda Tatum, Assistant County Manager  
Winston-Salem State University Nursing Students

### **Call to Order:**

On Wednesday, September 6, 2017, the Forsyth County Board of Health held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting in the Boardroom at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health (FCDPH). Mr. John Davenport called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

### **Consideration of Minutes:**

The minutes of the August 2, 2017 Board of Health meeting were reviewed by the Board. Mr. Davenport asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Charles Massler made a motion to approve and Dr. Keith Cash seconded. The minutes were approved.

## **Public Comment Section:**

Mr. Davenport welcomed the Winston-Salem State University nursing students back and asked if someone wanted to speak on behalf of the group. Mr. Robert Lawrence, III introduced the group as the Class of 2018 and said they were there to observe and see how policies are initiated.

**Health Director's Comments** – Mr. Marlon Hunter reported the following:

- Thanked Board members and staff for their participation with the Consolidation interviews.
- Invited to Dr. Massler's church to present to his partners about the department and what we do.
- Staff are getting prepared for the Dixie Classic Fair - thanked Environmental Health and Ms. Denise Price.
- Thanked Ms. Heather Parker for her participation with Walk a Mile to Save Our Babies, along with the Mayor. Ms. Parker will be reading the resolution at the September 28th event.
- Mr. Tony Lo Giudice, Ms. Glenda Dancy, Major Robert Slater, Mr. Carr Boyd and himself went to Memphis, Tennessee to tour their jail.

## **New Business:**

**Land Development Bill Update and Rabies Bill Update** - Ms. Price updated the Board on recent Environmental Health related legislative activities. The following actions were reviewed:

Passed bills: S24, S131 and S257

Remaining bills: S469, H56, H250, H374, H754, H794

Bills not crossing over: S11, S395, S464, H259, H598, H825 and H845

A more detailed report on these bills is on file in the Administrative Binder.

Ms. Price reported that the Board reached out to legislature to advocate for need and the SL2017-106, SB74, subsequently GS 130A-197 was approved. The rabies control law is for the management of dogs, cats and ferrets exposed to rabies. The rabies post-exposure management is specified by the National Association of State Public Health Veterinarians. The law, G.S. 130A-197, becomes effective October 1, 2017. Lastly, Ms. Price reported that Senate Bill 16/House Bill 162 providing for the study of electrical safety for pools, wastewater system permit extension and others was vetoed August 14, 2017.

Mr. Hunter thanked Ms. Price and told Board members that we have not done this in the past but thought we should start updating on this and will continue to do so.

**Medicaid Cost Settlement Update** - Ms. Quintana Stewart reported that the Medicaid Cost Settlement Reports for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 and 2015 were submitted (returned in August 2016 with instructions) - FY 2016 has been submitted and is awaiting processing and FY 2017 is being prepared and is due September 29, 2017. Payment was received for FY 2011 in October 2015 for \$493,768; FY 2012 in November 2015 for \$168,976 and in July 2013 for \$1,486,892 and for FY 2013 in October 2014 for \$2,074,719.

Letters were received from the Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) by the County Manager and the Health Director for payback of the FY 2013 payment. The department submitted a Letter of Appeal to the DMA to review the FY 2013 report (the options from the DMA are to either accept the payback amount and remit payment or appeal the proposed payback by

"scrubbing" our data according to the process agreed upon listed in the Cabarrus County court ruling. Ms. Stewart added that it has been learned the "scrubbing" option significantly reduces the payback amount (a detailed report is on file in the Administrative Binder).

Mr. Hunter explained that all local health departments in the State are in a payback situation after DMA made changes to the Population Statistic used for Cost Settlement Calculations.

Board members were very engaged in what is going on with the Cost Settlement situation and had lots of questions. Dr. Robie asked what are they doing with all this money they receive back and Mr. Hunter responded that is what they at the Health Director level have been asking. Ms. Parker asked how do we go from being owed money to now having to pay back. Mr. Hunter responded that the Federal government changed the rules, changed the methodology. Dr. Massler stated, this is the type of issue the Board of Health should be involved with. Mr. Davenport suggested they can talk about this at the next meeting - put on the next agenda.

**Network Funds** - Mr. Lo Giudice reported on the Pregnancy Care Management (main goals are to improve care, healthier pregnancy improve birth outcomes and reduce costs) and the Care Coordination for Children (main goals are to improve health outcomes and reduce costs) programs.

Currently, \$1,873,496.87 for FY2012 - FY2016/2017 of unspent funds are held by the county (unspent funds accrued due to 15% in-direct cost not being absorbed by the County and salary/benefit savings due to open positions) - Care Coordination for Children accrued \$917,757.78 and Pregnancy Care Management accrued \$955,739.09.

The Network advised the programs in June they may have to return \$689,637.00 or submit a budget requesting to use the funds (budget requests have been submitted for both programs). Mr. Hunter stated this is bad because this is money the State is asking us to give back - five large counties (Forsyth, Wake, Mecklenburg, Guilford and Cumberland) have been asked to send back any excess dollars we have left over in these programs. Mr. Hunter asked the Board to make an appeal for these dollars to be used in our community. He added that the legislature approved, in addition to \$4 million, an additional \$2 - 4 million for counties that already have the Nurse-Family Partnership program. Ms. Dancy who runs these programs at the department said they are very limited with what they can use monies for. Dr. Massler asked if we can send them guidelines for what the money can be used for. Mr. Davenport suggested they have more discussion at the next meeting. Ms. Gloria Whisenhunt agreed, adding, it would allow the County Commissioners some time to come up with some ideas.

**2016-2017 Annual Report and Workplan** - Mr. Hunter presented his Annual Report and Workplan, where once a year he gets the opportunity to highlight the department's achievements from each of the following divisions (Internal Health Services - Ms. Quintana Stewart; Community Health Services - Ms. Price and Personal Health Services - Mr. Lo Giudice). Mr. Hunter stated he has had a wonderful ride so far, celebrating his sixth year at the department. He thanked all the nurses, all the staff for their hard work and the Board.

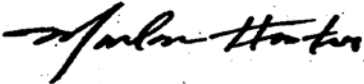
The Health Director's full Annual Report and Workplan can be found at the following link:  
[http://www.forsyth.cc/PublicHealth/annual\\_report.aspx](http://www.forsyth.cc/PublicHealth/annual_report.aspx)

**Old Business:**

**Committee Reports:**

**Adjourn:**

The regular meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm before going into a closed session to complete Mr. Hunter's performance appraisal.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marlon B. Hunter". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "M".

Marlon B. Hunter  
Secretary to the Board  
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