

# Forsyth County Board of Health



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- Dr. P. Lee Salisbury, III, DDS
- Dr. Ricky Sides, DC
- Ms. Gloria D. Whisenhunt, County Commissioner

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## BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES September 5, 2012

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Linda Petrou, Chair  
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Dr. Willard McCloud  
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Mr. J. Phil Seats  
Dr. Ricky Sides  
Ms. Gloria Whisenhunt

### STAFF PRESENT

Mr. Marlon Hunter  
Ms. Cynthia Jeffries  
Ms. Ayo Ademoyero  
Ms. Sandra Clodfelter  
Ms. Lynne Mitchell  
Mr. Bob Whitwam  
Ms. Lorrie Christie  
Ms. Sheryl Emory  
Ms. Ethel Evans  
Ms. Doris Hogan  
Ms. Stacy Huntley

### OTHERS PRESENT

Ms. Michelle Brock, WSFC, Office of Emergency Mgmt.

### **Call to Order:**

On Wednesday, September 5, 2012, the Forsyth County Board of Health held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting in the Board Room at the Forsyth County Department of Public Health (FCDPH). Dr. Linda Petrou, called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. and welcomed Board members and guests.

### **Consideration of Minutes:**

The minutes of the August 1, 2012 Board of Health Meeting were reviewed by the Board. A request for a motion to approve the minutes was made by Dr. Petrou. A motion was made by Ms. Judy Briggs and seconded by Dr. James Doub. The rest of the Board agreed and the minutes were approved.

### **Public Comment Section:**

Dr. Petrou mentioned that she and Ms. Gloria Whisenhunt presented Dr. Hudspeth his Certificate of Appreciation for his work with the Board at a public meeting they attended and he was very surprised and pleased to receive it. Dr. James Doub and Ms. Petrou thanked Ms. Lorrie Christie for doing the certificate. Board Members, staff and guests introduced themselves.

## **Old Business:**

**Step-Up Forsyth** – Dr. Petrou reminded the other Board Members about Step-Up Forsyth and that she had sent them an email and set up their group. The event starts next week and they just need to try to do at least fifteen minutes of physical activity a day. She said she would send the link to them again and urged them to go online and get signed up and said she would be watching to see who signed up!

## **New Business:**

### **Theme – Health Director’s One Year Report:**

Mr. Marlon Hunter gave his one year report. He has been here one year and two weeks but said it felt more like three years and two weeks but he said it was in a good way. Mr. Hunter mentioned while travelling recently, when he stepped off the plane he had twenty voice mails from newspapers and media asking questions about the West Nile Virus and pertussis. He said that this week it had been relatively quiet. Mr. Hunter reiterated that he is still having a great time and his passion is public health and has always been in public health care. He said the joy that you have in a job like this is an opportunity to create programs and services to help those who are in need and have limited access – it’s a great joy to watch it. Mr. Hunter told the Board that his report was basically a simple report comprised of accomplishments from each division. He said he would just touch on a few from each division and that the accomplishments should be highlighted, to show everything that happens in each division in the department and this is a part of his performance evaluation because we all work together and he holds them accountable and the Board holds him accountable. He feels that accomplishments are a great reflection and gives a snapshot of our work and what we do every day. Mr. Hunter highlighted a few accomplishments from each division (a copy of the full report outlining accomplishments is on file in Administration Binder). In closing, Mr. Hunter reiterated that all of these accomplishments are a big part of his performance evaluation. He has had a chance to meet with all staff one-on-one and is still meeting with new staff as they come in. He meets with his Leadership Team as a group and individually each week. He has worked hard in his first year to learn the lay of the land here in Winston-Salem and around the region and has had a good time. He has worked hard to try to improve morale here in the department by having a consultant come in and work with us on a strategic plan and our theme is One Amazing Year. Mr. Hunter stressed that he really wants to try to attract and maintain a competent, well-educated workforce here at the department. He said it is refreshing to be here and work in a health department that was not broken. Our Community Health Assessment (CHA) is our voice in the community. In his summary, it is his desire to keep this agency moving in a very positive fashion. He feels we are making great strides. He thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve and looking forward to many more years to come. This has been his one amazing year!

## **Preparedness**

Ms. Quintana Stewart, Preparedness Coordinator and Ms. Michelle Brock, Office of Emergency Management gave informative presentations on preparedness at the Health Department and in Forsyth County. They talked about what is being done to prepare for natural disaster in Forsyth County. Ms. Stewart announced that September is National Preparedness Month and encouraged everyone to go to our public website and read the article and to read the preparedness tips in the booklet they received in their packets. Ms. Brock mentioned she heard Mr. Hunter speak and said the first thing he talked about was his staff at Public Health and she thought that showed great leadership. Ms. Brock commended Ms. Stewart for the great work she does with

emergency management and how well they work together. She spoke more about the tools they use in preparing for possible disasters in Forsyth County. Ms. Brock encouraged everyone to go home and make sure their families are prepared (copy of all handouts on file in Administration Binder).

**Sept. 24, 2012 CHA Meeting** – Ms. Ayo Ademoyero presented the Board with the 2011 Forsyth County Community Health Assessment Report. She pointed out some of the statistics in the data that was collected (copy of report on file in Administration Binder).

**BOH Mosquito Control Rule** – Mr. Bob Whitwam went over the Board of Health rule authorizing mosquito control and the department’s mosquito control program policy. The purpose of the rule is to control and reduce the mosquito population in Forsyth County by removing, draining, treating, altering or eliminating breeding sources for mosquitoes (copy of handout on file in Administration Binder).

**Request for a Pre-Fair Update** – Ms. Doris Hogan gave a brief presentation on the upcoming Winston-Salem Forsyth County Fair and what the Environmental Health Division’s role is in making sure all the rules are followed and proper inspections are carried out.

**Other Business:**

None

**Committee Reports:**

None

**Adjourn:**

A request for a motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Petrou. A motion was made by Dr. Ricky Sides and seconded by Mr. John Davenport. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Marlon B. Hunter  
Secretary to the Board  
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