

Franklin County Board of Health Minutes

March 17,2015

Members present: Erran Miller, Carol Miller, Shawn Dietz

Members Absent: Nancy Retz, Dr Paltzer

Staff Present: Deb Jones-HC admin, Christa Wiarda RN- PH admin, Jenni Swart RN Assistant Admin, Earl Kalkwarf- EH admin, Gary McVicker- BOS Liason

Others Present: Shelly Lumsden- Tobacco Grant Prevention Supervisor

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Erran Miller at FCPH/FCHC offices.

Approval of Agenda: C. Miller made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by S. Dietz. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Minutes : Motion by E. Miller and second by C.Miller. Motion carried.

Tobacco Grant update: Shelly Lumsden – Prevention Supervisor updated the group on Franklin Counties tobacco Grant. She handed out folders with information and their goals for FC. She discussed at length on Vaping and E Cigarettes and health risks.

Franklin County Home Care: -

Old Business – Deb Jones FCHC reported that she continues to try to fill a HCA position with no potential hires and will continue to run the position in local papers.

New Business: - Deb gave the board an update on Elderly Waiver Case Management and changes with the Medicaid system. JoEllen Arends waiver manager had composed a letter and Deb shared with the board members. Concerns were verbalized that these changes with the Elderly Waiver has already affected several clients and will continue with more. She voiced concerns with changes causing a lack of services to no services. She also reported how elderly clients are overwhelmed by this and she is concerned about the outcome of those clients. Deb will continue to keep the board updated on changes.

Approval of Claims: motion made by E. Miller with a second by S.Dietz- motion carried.

Activity Report : was also excepted. Previously emailed to the BOH for Dec.

Franklin County Public Health:

Old business Update given to BOH with new RN hired. Jennifer Marsh started March 2nd and is orientation currently.

Update on Mass Fatality workshop held on February 24th in Greene. Class was facilitated by Bulter, Franklin and Floyd County Coalition. Franklin County was well represented. Erran Miller BOH and FGH, Carol Miller BOH, Jenni and Christa Public Health, Gary McVicker BOS. Staff from FGH and Hampton/Dumont Schools.

New Business:

Update on State Grant – \$ 800 Performance Measure completed by Christa – emailed to BOH with approval. Update on activities for grant noted.

Christa updated the board about April 6th is National Public Health Week. No extra activities are planned at this time.

Public Health participated in the Hampton Middle School Health Fair on March 12th – Public Health had a table with video display on Skin Cancer and Sun Protection education.

Emergency Preparedness update given by Jenni Swart- Conservation was asking for AED for Maynes Grove. She discussed funding and what EP dollars are used for. Dollars are used for 24/7 call and phones for Nurses. Christa and Jenni no longer have separate office cell phones- instead they are using personal smart phones. Board discussion on reimbursement for cell phones. C.Miller moved that Christa and Jenni will be reimbursed \$50/month for county use seconded by E.Miller. Motion carried.

BFF coalition will have a table top exercise on May 5th from 10-2 pm in Allison. BOH,BOS and Public Health are all encouraged to participate.

Christa reviewed staffing and accumulation of units by nursing staff due to staffing shortage. Christa explained concerns with heavy case loads and admissions on week ends adding to the work load. Gary McVicker BOS stated that maybe BOH should consider pay off of units and consider overtime pay instead of time back. Board directed Christa to research and update at next BOH meeting. Deb Jones also noted that her staff also had comp time on the books and also was interested in paying out due to staffing shortage.

Environmental Health

Old Business: A discussion was held regarding the situation in Popejoy. Earl was directed to contact all parties and determine a corrective action that would be legal and suitable for all parties involved.

New Business: No new business.

Approval of claims: Motion by C. Miller, second by E. Miller to approve claims, motion carried.

Activity Report: Earl gave an update on his department. Motion by E. Miller, second by C. Miller to acknowledge and approve the activity report.

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Old business: There was no old business

New Business: No new business was discussed.

Items Less Than 24 Hours: There were no items for discussion.

Adjournment: The next meeting will be held Tuesday May 19th at 5:30 P.M. at the Public Health Offices in Hampton. S. Dietz motioned for meeting adjournment, seconded by C. Miller, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.