



Calhoun County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

July 20, 2009

Board of Health

Dr. Jeffrey Mitchell, Chair
Rick Tsoumas, Vice-Chair
Kathy Foerster
Lisa Gerow, Commissioner
Dr. Mahesh Karamchandani
Samantha Pearl
Ken Ponds

Health Department

John Eva
Brigitte Reichenbaugh
James Rutherford
Cindy Southwick

County Administration

Kelli Sproule, Administrator

Other

Elizabeth Willis, Battle Creek Enquirer
Jill Wise, Battle Creek Community Foundation

Dr. Mitchell called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Consent Agenda

Mitchell motioned for approval of June 2009 minutes. Tsoumas seconded. All in favor.

Financial Report

Eva presented the financial report. There are some fluctuations. FYE 09 Budget will balance.

Nurse Family Partnership Presentation

Rutherford and Wise presented the Nurse Family Partnership to the Board. Wise noted that there would be a one-to-one match of funds from the Federal government through 2009-2010. The State of Michigan guarantees two years of support. CCPHD is looking for potential funding partners. This is an evidence-based program proven to work. The primary goals of this program is to improve pregnancy outcomes, improve parent's economics self sufficiency, and improve child and health development. CCPHD will continue to present to community partners for support. Mitchell motioned for support to move forward. Tsoumas seconded. All in favor.

Public Comment

One citizen presented with a concern of the smoking ordinance.

Health Officer Report

Rutherford presented the Health Officer report. This report included an update on the FYE 2010 Budget, Strategic Planning, Benchmark Indicators, H1N1 Flu Virus, Nurse Family Partnership Program, School Wellness Initiative, Lawn Fertilizer Ordinance, and the software need in the Personal Health Programs.

Lions Club donated \$10,000 for Vision and Hearing Screening. CCPHD is looking at the feasibility of expanding services (e.g., Senior Citizens).

Lawn Fertilizer Ordinance – This is an educational program more than anything else. The city has approached the CCPHD regarding a countywide ordinance. A short presentation will be presented to the Board at a later date.

H1N1 Virus – 73,000 doses of vaccine will be available this fall. This will be very comprehensive and time consuming. Dr. Harrington will be very involved. Adults will require two shots and children three shots. The CCPHD will vaccinate some. Our role will be distributor. The Health Department will solicit community health leaders and potentially work with the pharmacies.

Fit Testing Machine – We are purchasing a machine to fit test for the N95 mask for the Emergency Preparedness (EP) program. Four community partners will split the cost of \$12,000.

Teen Outreach Program – Researching now. There will be a presentation at the August Board meeting.

Executive Session

Ponds motioned for closed session at 9:00 a.m. Gerow seconded. All in favor.

Meeting reconvened into open session at 9:50 a.m. with introductions of the Board to Kelli Sproule. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.