

Calhoun County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2010

Board of Health

Rick Tsoumas, Chairman
Dr. Mahesh Karamchandani, Vice-Chair
Kathy Foerster
Lisa Gerow, Commissioner
Ken Ponds

Health Department

Jennifer Cook
Regina Crooks
Sharon Davids
John Eva
Paul Makoski
James Rutherford
Cindy Southwick

Absent

Samantha Pearl, Excused

Other

Larry Anderson, Consultant
Elizabeth Willis, Battle Creek Enquirer

County Administration

Mark Stuhldreher, County Finance Director

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

Consent Agenda

Gerow motioned for approval of agenda, Karamchandani seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. Ponds motioned for approval of May 2010 minutes. Foerster seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Financial Report

Eva presented the financial report. Overall CCPHD revenues have exceeded budgeted projections for the eight months ending May 2010 by \$24,152. Approximately 9% of the variance between budgeted and actual revenues and expenditures is due to the non-financial activity in the Senior Millage Vision (2592), Senior Millage Hearing (2593), Teen Outreach (2595), Nurse-Family Partnership (2604), Household Hazardous Waste (2606), and Healthy Lifestyles & Health Disparities (2635) programs. Actual expenditures for H1N1 are significantly lower than budgeted and account for approximately 2% of the variance between budgeted and actual revenue and expenditures. There may be no carryover for the H1N1 funding. Tsoumas would like this highlighted.

The Budget Committee met with members of the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners and Calhoun County Administration to discuss the CCPHD draft budget for FYE 2011. We continue to meet with the BOC and administration, as well as the divisional managers over the next month. A draft budget proposal will be presented to the BOH in August for review.

Presentation

Rutherford presented the School Wellness Program (SWP). The SWP will provide school nurse services to every school building in Calhoun County and will improve the school nurse/student ratio and enhance school nurse presence by utilizing Kellogg Community College (KCC) nursing

students. The SWP will increase cost/benefit ratio for schools, reduce liability of the schools, and provide consistent school nursing program to students throughout Calhoun County. CCPHD requires the support of the Board of Health before continuing to find grant sources. Suggestions were made to follow up with Oaklawn Hospital and Blue Cross/Blue Shield as possible funding sources. Other potential funding sources include: Albion and Marshall Community Foundations and service clubs. The current SWP program cost is \$258,000. The projected expanded program cost is \$857,000. The schools are very supportive and excited about this program. We are hopeful to implement the expanded SWP by January 2011. Rutherford thanked the school nurses and Sharon Davids for all their work on the program.

Jennifer Cook, Epidemiologist presented Program Management Plans (PMPs). The PMPs will provide a description of each program within the Health Department – goals, objectives, management strategies, and identifying performance indicators for each program. A Board member expressed interest in a healthier community. We need to get to the impacts, how is our community healthier because of food inspections, are these correct indicators? Measure the impact of foodborne illnesses and move data into information. The Board wants to see a plan. The Board expects the Epidemiologist to bring revelation and insight. They also would like information on benchmarks, PMP process, frequency of Board presentations, and where are we going with this information.

Health Officer Report

Rutherford presented the Health Officer report to the Board. This report included: Disparity Initiatives, Healthy Lifestyles Initiative, Health Officer Goals & Objectives for 2010/2011. For a copy of the Health Officer report, contact Cindy Southwick at 269-969-6382 or via email at csouthwick@calhouncountymi.gov.

- The Nurse-Family Partnership: Received grant approval from United Way of Greater Battle Creek and W.K. Kellogg Foundation. Still awaiting approval from Binda and Battle Creek Community Foundations. The next step is to obtain approval from the BOC to accept the grants and begin staff recruitment. Foerster motioned to recommend the Board of Commissioners to approve all grants for the Nurse-Family Partnership program to move forward. Ponds seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Term Expiration: It was discussed that Foerster's term has expired. Southwick will review prior minutes and by-laws to verify and to locate Board member term information.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am.