

Calhoun County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2011

Board of Health

Rick Tsoumas, Chairman
Kathy Foerster
Steve Frisbie, Commissioner
Dr. Mahesh Karamchandani
Ken Ponds

Health Department

Sarah Barnhart
DeShaun Embry
John Eva
James Rutherford

Absent

Nelson Almeida
Paul Yettew

Other

Paulette Porter, RHA Director

Meeting called to order

Tsoumas called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m, beginning with introductions of all whom were in attendance followed.

Public Comment

Paulette Porter introduced herself and expressed her enthusiasm regarding her new role as the Director of Regional Health Alliance (RHA). Porter spoke to the Board and gave a brief overview of the different Issue Action Groups that RHA currently has involvement in.

Consent Agenda

Karamchandani motioned for approval of agenda and minutes, Ponds seconded. All in favor, Motion passed.

Financial Report

Eva presented the financial report. Overall CCPHD expenses have exceeded revenue for the eight months ending May 2011. Eva invited the Board members to attend the budget preparation process for 2012. Eva also clarified a few issues that may have a direct affect on the CCPHD. The proposed cuts from the state level in 2012 may impact the CCPHD's bottom line. During the budget preparation meeting these issues will be discussed in further detail.

Presentation

Barnhart, Epidemiologist presented to the Board. Barnhart gave a brief report as to the impact of the Severe Weather Event of May 29, 2011.

For a copy of this report, contact DeShaun Embry at 269-969-6463 or via email at dembry@calhouncountymi.gov.

Health Officer Report

Rutherford presented the Health Officer Report. This report included:

- Teen Pregnancy- Teen Pregnancy is a top priority. The United Way cut funding to both the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Partnership (TP3) and the Teen Outreach Program (TOP). Meetings are underway to find sources/grants to keep both the TP3 and TOP program funded.
- School Wellness Program- The goal of this program is to have 100% participation within the County. All of the meetings with the superintendents have taken place and some Districts have already signed contracts. More updates will follow at the next board meeting.

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Meeting adjourned at 9:30 am