

Calhoun County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2011

Board of Health

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

Health Department

John Eva
DeShaun Embry
Paul Makoski
Victoria Reese
James Rutherford

Absent

Samantha Pearl

Other

Julie Camp, Commissioner
Mark Miller, Michigan Department of
Community Health
Mary Stobeirski, Michigan Department of
Community Health
Elizabeth Willis, Battle Creek Enquirer

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

Consent Agenda

Ponds motioned for approval of agenda. Karamchandi seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
Foerster motioned for approval of February 2011 minutes. Ponds seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Rutherford gave recognition to Paul Makoski, Environmental Health Manager, for receiving the Distinguished Service Award from the Michigan Environmental Health Association (MEHA) at their annual conference.

Financial Report

Eva presented the financial report. Overall CCPHD expenses have exceeded revenues for the five months ending February 2011 by \$5,587. Department revenues are 39% and expenditures are 39% compared to an anticipated 42%. Lower than expected financial activity for the Senior Millage Vision (2592), Nurse-Family Partnership (2604), and Household Hazardous Waste (2606) programs to date account for substantially all of the difference between budgeted and actual revenues and expenditures

The Refugee Health Assessment Program assessed 50 refugees in January or 37 more than average. Year-to-date this accounts for approximately \$50,000 more revenue and expenditures than budgeted. It appears that February will return to budgeted levels.

Volunteers are needed for the Budget Committee.

Presentation

Victoria Reese, Minority Health Partnership Program Coordinator, gave a brief presentation on a number of disparities including health and education between various races. For a copy of presentations, contact Cindy Southwick at 269-969-6382 or via email at csouthwick@calhouncountymi.gov.

Health Officer Report

Rutherford presented the Health Officer Report. This report included: the Enbridge Oil Release; School Wellness, Calhoun County Cancer Control Coalition, Minority Health Partnership, and Nurse-Family Partnership. For a copy of the Health Officer report, contact Cindy Southwick at 269-969-6382 or via email at csouthwick@calhouncountymi.gov.

Rutherford and Tsoumas named two possible candidates for the Board of Health vacancies. A brief overview was given of each candidate. Motion was made by Karamchandani to approve the nomination of the candidates. Frisbie seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Mark Miller, Auditor for the State of Michigan gave a brief overview of the health department accreditation process. Miller also congratulated Calhoun County on the handling of the Enbridge Oil Spill and the dedication of the county.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.