

Calhoun County Board of Health

Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2013

Board of Health

Dr. Mahesh Karamchandani, Chairman
Nancy Mullett, Vice Chairman
Mary Jo Byrnes
Kathy-Sue Dunn, County Commissioner
Kathy Foerester
Rick Tsoumas

Health Department

Bonnie Detweiler
DeShaun Embry
Paul Makoski
James Rutherford
Michelle Thorne

Absent

Ken Ponds

Other

Amanda Menzies, Public Sector Consultant
Paulette Porter

Meeting called to order

Karamchandani called the meeting to order at 8:06 am by welcoming Mary Jo Byrnes as the new Board Member.

Public Comment

No public comment

Consent Agenda

Tsoumas motioned for approval of the agenda, Byrne seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Presentation

Menzie's, a Consultant from the Public Sector Consultants. The ten top issues in Calhoun County were (priorities) 10- STD, 9- Oral Health, 8- Cancer, 7- Addiction, 6- Maternal and Infant Health, 5- Teen Pregnancy, 4- Mental Health 3- Chronic Disease 2- Access to care, 1- Obesity/Overweight now the strategies are aimed at helping people to live healthy lives in our community. Need to improve access to care and know where and when services are available. 1- Obesity and overweight provide access, support schools in meeting and exceeding national nutrition standards. 2- Access to care- transportation was a very big issue, provide patient navigation services, require physicians 3- Chronic Disease- increase screening, self-management education, 4- Mental Health, recruit providers, more screening and referral services 5- Teen pregnancy, reproductive health and education should be increased in the schools, referrals to service 6- Maternal and infant health, access to care 7- Addiction- disposing of old medications, services and information other than English. 8- Cancer- provides physicians and other health care professionals with education, tracking trends 9- Oral Health- community education and assess. 10- STD- information and education.

Finance

Bonnie updated the board on the budget status after six months for the Health Department and also the budget focus for 2014.

Health Officer Report

Rutherford presented the Health Officer Report. This report included:

- Strategic Planning Update
- Travel Vaccine Clinic Proposal
- W.K. Kellogg Grant Proposal
- Vehicle Fleet Replacement Discussion

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

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 am