

Calhoun County Board of Health Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2008

Board of Health

Dr. Jeffrey Mitchell, Chair
Rick Tsoumas, Vice-Chair
Kathy Foerster
Dr. Mahesh Karamanchandani
Ken Ponds
Eusebio Solis

Health Department

Larry Anderson
John Eva
Paul Makoski
Brigette Reichenbaugh

County Administration

Nancy Mullett
Greg Purcell
Mark Stuhldreher

Other

Elizabeth Huff, Battle Creek Enquirer
Mary Jo Byrne, CCPHD Health Officer Search
Committee Member & Executive Director, Fountain
Clinic
Jill Wise, CCPHD Health Officer Search Committee
Member & Battle Creek Community Foundation

The Board of Health (BOH) meeting was called to order at 8:00 am. Mitchell began with agenda approval. All approved.

Makoski presented on the CCPHD Food Service Program.

HEALTH OFFICER SEARCH UPDATE

Tsoumas presented and reviewed the Health Officer Search process. The Board of Health recommends James Rutherford as Calhoun County Public Health Department Health Officer and approves resolution 4-08. Tsoumas moved approval of resolution. Karamchandani seconded. All approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ponds moved approval. Tsoumas supported. All in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Eva presented financials and benchmarking information. Upon review of the benchmarking information, Board requested comparative numbers indicating how CCPHD compares with other counties.

BOARD UPDATE

Budget process: Tsoumas updated the Board on the budget process and the delay due to the receipt of State of Michigan, Comprehensive Planning and Budget Contract (CPBC).

Board member search: Anderson approached Samantha Pearl as a potential Board of Health member. According to Mullett, Pearl, if accepted the Board of Health position, will need to disclose any contracts related to the Calhoun Health Plan in conjunction with the Calhoun County Public Health Department, specifically related to the transfer of county funds. Pearl will fill the remainder of Anderson's term expiring December 31, 2008. Solis motioned for approval. Ponds seconded. All approved.

Tsoumas asked Eva to list the mandated services including our cost and revenue received from State. Include proposed revenues (e.g., \$100 maximum reimbursement for school inspections and result of funding decline).

Tsoumas asked for Anderson to report to the Board some of the things he learned as a Board member and his current view as Acting Health Officer providing the Board more insight to Health Department operations.

Future presentations will include school nursing update once the survey is finalized. Tsoumas would like to see program presentations by staff (10-15 minutes).

Environmental Health services are increasing based on the increase in foreclosures. Board discussion about adding GIS services as a CCPHD priority.

ACTING HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

Anderson presented the Acting Health Officer report.

Motion to adjourn. All in favor. 9:55 a.m.