

MACON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES

September 11, 2007

Members Present: Dr. Ron Campbell, Paul Higdon, David Hourdequin,  
Dr. Roy Lenzo, Dr. David Silverstein, Roberta Swank,  
Dr. Scott Petty, Ron Winecoff, Dr. Jim Davis, and Angie Stahl

Staff Present: Jim Bruckner, Anne Hyder, Barry Patterson and Dr. David Oliver  
;Jennifer Hollifield for initial part of meeting.

Media: Franklin Press  
Highlands' Newspaper

Chairman Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. He welcomed Mr. Jim Bruckner as the new Health Director and also Dr. David Oliver, the new dentist with the Adult Dental program.

The minutes of the last regular meeting of July 10, 2007 were approved on a motion by Roberta Swank and second by Dr. David Silverstein.

The order of business was changed since Dr. Charlie Vargas was unable to attend until 7:30 pm. Jennifer Hollifield was introduced and asked to give a report on the Restaurant Survey (under New Business).

#### Old Business

\* Adult Dental Program - Timeline - Dr. David Oliver reported that most of the equipment for the site has been ordered, computers are in and the plan at this time is to schedule patients at the new site in two weeks. Medicaid adult patients will be scheduled initially using the same fee scale as is currently used on the Molar Roller. When it becomes necessary to adopt a different fee plan, Mr. Bruckner reported that item will be brought back to the Board for approval.

\* Board of Health Orientation - Referring to the fact that orientation of Board of Health members is a requirement for accreditation, Mr. Bruckner reported that at the October meeting, a CD will be provided to each member and a statement will be included to be signed after the materials have been reviewed. He added that for each new member who is appointed to the Board, either he or Anne, as Assistant Health Director, will meet with each member and provide the orientation.

#### New Business

\* School Nursing Dollars - Anne Hyder reported that Macon County has been selected to be one of several counties in the state to receive funding for an additional school nurse. The additional funding should be allocated in October. She also reported two of the agency's school nurses recently completed the exam to earn National Certification in School Nursing which now reflects that all four, or 100%, of the school nurses have their certification.

\* Flu Vaccine - Influenza vaccine is beginning to arrive, Ms. Hyder announced. The department hopes to set up clinics by mid or end of October. She added that the agency will again offer later hours for clinics, offer Nantahala and Highlands clinics, and a Saturday clinic. All details for the sites and times will be released to the media when dates are set.

\* Castleberry Chili Recall - Barry reported for Pat Muse on the recent recall and referred to the timeline in each member's packet of materials. He also referred to the letter in the packet reflecting the great efforts that took place across the state to locate any of the items listed in the recall. Both Barry and Anne Hyder expressed compliments to our Department's staff for the extra time they put into the recall.

\* Restaurant Survey - Jennifer Hollifield referred to the press release on the '2007 Restaurant Heart Healthy Survey' that was in each member's folder. She gave the history of the survey as administered initially in 2003 and reported on the most recent results from the 2006 survey. In summary, of the 103 restaurants surveyed in Macon County, 87.4 % were found to be smoke - free and this rate ranked Macon County as having the second highest rate in the state of the 37 counties who participated.

\* Grants

Healthy Carolinians - Mr. Bruckner explained that the state approved just under \$13,000 for all certified coalitions ( Macon is one) and this department will use the money to offset the cost for the clerical position with the program.

Eat Smart / Move More - This grant was awarded to restore the walking trail around the Department, the Detention Center and the Environmental Resource Center. The award was for \$19,000.

Kate B. Reynolds - Adult Dental - This award was given to purchase equipment for the adult site.

Mr. Bruckner added that most grants don't need Board of Health approval. If a grant doesn't require County match or a change in our budget, he doesn't plan to bring that to the Board.

\* Board of Health Meetings - Options for Board meeting agendas, time for meetings and stipends were brought up for discussion. A motion was made by David Hourdequin to allow Jim Bruckner and Dr. Ron Campbell to decide the frequency of the meetings and the times they will be held. The motion was seconded by Roberta Swank. After discussion, Mr. Hourdequin amended the motion to ask that if Dr. Campbell and Mr. Bruckner decide to meet other than monthly, he would like the Board to receive a formal press release at least monthly. The amended motion was seconded by Roberta Swank. Nine votes were in favor with one vote opposed.

\* Other

Rabies clinics - Dr. Campbell reported on the Rabies clinic held this past weekend throughout the county - 846 animals were vaccinated.

Presentation - Dr. Charlie Vargas - Dr. Vargas presented a summary of a program he is proposing - a new clinic delivery model. Handouts were distributed; questions followed.

Next Meeting - October 9, 2007 at 7 pm.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by David Hourdequin and seconded by Angie Stahl at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Hyder RN, Assistant Health Director for Jim Bruckner, Health Director  
Macon County Public Health Center