

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEETING
September 13, 2016**

Members Present:

Phillip L. Williams, PhD, Chair
Cynthia A. Mercer, MD, Vice Chair
James Curran, MD
Brig. Gen. Joe Jarrard
John Haupt
Kathryn K. Cheek, MD, FAAP
Robert S. Harshman, MD

Members Absent:

Judy Greenlea Taylor, DDS, Secretary
Mitch Rodriguez, MD

The Board of Public Health held its monthly board meeting on September 13, 2016, at 445 Winn Way, Decatur, Georgia 30030 in the DeKalb County Public Health Bohan Auditorium. An agenda and a List of Attendees are attached hereto and made official parts of these Minutes as Attachments #1 and #2. Dr. Williams called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM.

Dr. Cynthia Mercer called roll. All members are present except Drs. Greenlea Taylor, and Rodriguez.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Mercer presented the minutes of the August 9, 2016 meeting for discussion and approval. There was no discussion. Dr. Harshman motioned for approval of the minutes; Brig. Gen. Jarrard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner's Update

Commissioner Fitzgerald gave the board an update on activities within the Department of Public Health.

District Health Director Welcome

Dr. Sandra Ford welcomed the Georgia Department of Public Health Board to the DeKalb County Board of Health.

Other Presentations

- Kate Pfirman, Chief Financial Officer for the Georgia Department of Public Health, gave an update on department's budget.
- Dr. Emily Ann Vall, Georgia Shape Project Manager for the Georgia Department of Public Health presented on Georgia Shape.
- Suleima Salgado, Telehealth and Telemedicine Director for the Georgia Department of Public Health, and Dr. Jean O'Connor, Chronic Disease Prevention Director for the Georgia


Department of Public Health presented on the TeleDermatology Public/Private Telemedicine Initiative.

- Jennifer Burkholder, Zika Response Coordinator and Deputy Chief Nurse of Emergency Preparedness for the Georgia Department of Public Health presented on the Zika Concept of Operations.
- Dr. Cherie Drenzek, State Epidemiologist for the Georgia Department of Public Health gave an update on the Zika Virus.
- Dr. Sandra Ford, District Health Director for the DeKalb County Board of Health, and Kassie Bennett, M.O.R.E. Moms Program Manager for the DeKalb County Board presented on M.O.R.E. Moms: Improving Infant Mortality in DeKalb County One Life at a Time.


Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Dr. Williams motioned for adjournment of the meeting and Dr. Curran seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and Dr. Williams adjourned the meeting at 3:00 PM.

THESE MINUTES ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 8th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2016.



Phillip L. Williams, PhD
Chair



Judy Greenlea Taylor, DDS
Secretary

Official Attachments:

1. List of Attendees
2. Agenda