

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEETING
March 13, 2012**

Members Present:

Gary D. Nelson, Ph.D., Chair
Mitch Rodriguez, MD, Secretary
Kathryn K. Cheek, MD, FAAP, Vice Chair
Phillip L. Williams, Ph.D.
Cynthia F. Greene, DMD
James M. Smith, Ph.D.
Robert S. Harshman, MD
James W. Curran, MD

Members Absent:

None

The Board of Public Health held its monthly board meeting on March 13, 2012 at 2 Peachtree Street NW in the 5th Floor Board Room. An agenda and a List of Attendees are attached hereto and made official parts of these Minutes as Attachments #1 and #2. Chairman Nelson called the meeting to order at 1:11 PM.

The Secretary called roll. All members are present.

Approval of Minutes

The Secretary presented the minutes of the February 14, 2012 meeting for discussion and approval. Phillip Williams asked that the minutes also reflect that Marsha Davis, PhD participated in the presentation on the Public Health Training Centers in addition to Dr. Miner. No further discussion ensued. Mitch Rodriguez motioned for approval of the amended minutes; James Curran seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Introduction

Commissioner Fitzgerald introduced one of the board members, Mitch Rodriguez, MD. He gave an overview of his background to the board.

Commissioner's Report

Dr. Brenda Fitzgerald gave her report of the Commissioner.

Action Items

There were no action items this month.

Presentations

David Stone of the National Public Health Accreditation Board gave a presentation on "Accreditation, What is it and Why Support It?" The presentation is part of the minutes as attachment #3.

Jack Kennedy, MD, MBA of the Cobb & Douglas Public Health gave a presentation about "A Local Board's Perspective of Accreditation." The presentation is part of the minutes as attachment #3.

Ms. Kate Pfirman, CFO for the Department of Public Health, gave a budget update to the board.

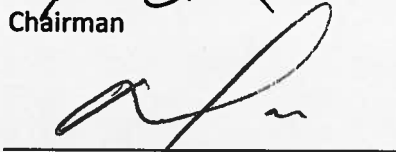
Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, James Curran motioned for adjournment of the meeting and James Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and Chairman Nelson adjourned the meeting at 2:32 PM.

THESE MINUTES ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 10th of APRIL, 2012.



Gary D. Nelson, Ph.D.
Chairman



Misael Rodriguez, MD
Secretary

Official Attachments:

1. List of Attendees
2. Agenda
3. Presentations:
 - a. Accreditation, What is it and Why Support It?
 - b. A Local Board's Perspective of Accreditation

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Other Attendees

Brenda Fitzgerald, Department of Public Health
James C. Howgate, Department of Public Health
Janie Brodnax, Department of Public Health
Kate Pfirman, Department of Public Health
Sidney Barrett, Department of Public Health
Christine Greene, Department of Public Health
Bob Shaw, Department of Public Health
Perry Sims, Department of Public Health
Erin Ruoff, OPB
Elizabeth Franko, Department of Public Health
Seema Csukas, Department of Public Health
Danté McKay, Voices for Georgia's Children
Bill Owen, MedImmune
Carole Jakeway, Department of Public Health
Jeff Cornett, Hemophilia of Georgia
Mohamed Jalom, MedImmune
Diandria Barbe, Voices for Children
Maddy Frey, Healthcare Georgia Foundation
David Stone, Public Health Accreditation Board
Scott Sheridan, Nelson Mullins
Andrea Kellum, Healthcare Georgia Foundation
Mike Chaney, Georgia Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics
Ashley Wells, UGA, GA PH Training Center
Marsha Davis, UGA, GA PH Training Center
Dionne Denson, Department of Public Health
Jack Kennedy, Cobb & Douglas Public Health
Tom Wade, Consultant
Deborah Aderhold, Department of Public Health
Scott Maxwell, Mathews & Maxwell, Inc.
Nelda Greene, Georgia Dental Association
Mark Seymour, Department of Public Health