

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEETING
April 9, 2013**

Members Present:

Gary D. Nelson, Ph.D., Chair
Kathryn K. Cheek, MD, FAAP, Vice Chair
Mitch Rodriguez, MD, Secretary
Robert S. Harshman, MD
Cynthia A. Mercer, MD
Katie C. Miller

Members Absent:

Phillip L. Williams, Ph.D.
James W. Curran, MD

The Board of Public Health held its monthly board meeting on April 9, 2013 at 2 Peachtree St NW, Atlanta, GA 30303 in the DCH 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 1:09 PM.

The Secretary called roll. All members are present except Drs. Williams and Curran.

Approval of Minutes

The Chair presented the minutes of the March 12, 2013 meeting for discussion and approval. There was no discussion. Dr. Harshman motioned for approval of the minutes; Ms. Miller 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 (DPH).

Action Items

There were no action items discussed.

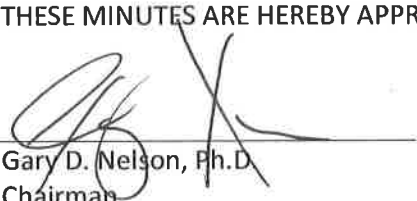
Other Presentations

- David Bayne, Director of Governmental Relations for DPH, gave an update on all legislation from the 2013 session that affected DPH.
- Kate Pfirman, Chief Financial Officer for DPH, gave an update on the Amended FY2013 and FY2014 budget.
- Dan Fesperman, Obesity Project Manager for DPH, gave an update on Georgia SHAPE.
- James C. Howgate, MPH, Chief of Staff for DPH, introduced two new staff members; Suleima Salgado, MBA, Telehealth Director and Luke Fiedorowicz, Ph.D., Science, Research and Academic Affairs Advisor.
- Suleima Salgado, MBA, Telehealth Director for DPH, gave an update on the Georgia Telehealth Initiative.
- Commissioner Fitzgerald solicited the board members seeking potential candidates for the open District 4 Health Director position in LaGrange, GA.
- Lee Rudd, Director of Human Resources for DPH, gave an update on Employee Appreciation Week.

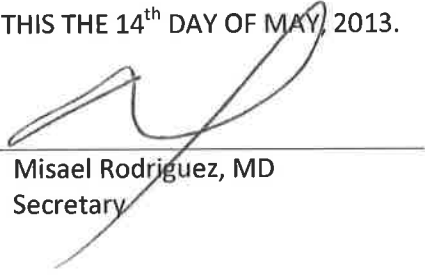
Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Dr. Mercer motioned for adjournment of the meeting and Dr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and Chairman Nelson adjourned the meeting at 1:53 PM.

THESE MINUTES ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 14th DAY OF MAY, 2013.



Gary D. Nelson, Ph.D.
Chairman



Misael Rodriguez, MD
Secretary

Official Attachments:

1. List of Attendees
2. Agenda

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Other Attendees

Bob Shaw, Department of Public Health
Brenda Fitzgerald, Department of Public Health
Carole Jakeway, Department of Public Health
Cherie Drenzek, Department of Public Health
Christine Greene, Department of Public Health
Dan Fesperman, Department of Public Health
David Bayne, Department of Public Health
Dick Lasco, Department of Public Health
James C. Howgate, Department of Public Health
Janie Brodnax, Department of Public Health
Jim Sever, Department of Public Health
Kate Pfirman, Department of Public Health
Kimberly Redding, Department of Public Health
Kimberly Stringer, Department of Public Health
Lisa Dawson, Department of Public Health
Luke Fiedorowicz, Department of Public Health
Nancy Nydam, Department of Public Health
Nicole Price, Department of Public Health
Pat O'Neal, Department of Public Health
Robert Patterson, Department of Public Health
Russell Crutchfield, Department of Public Health
Ryan Deal, Department of Public Health
Sherry Marbury, Department of Public Health
Sidney Barrett, Department of Public Health
Suleima Salgado, Department of Public Health
Tammy Beasley, Department of Public Health
Terri Dumas, Department of Public Health
Tom Wade, Consultant
Nelda Greene, Georgia Dental Association
Lasa Joliaer, GPHA
Danté McKay, Voices for Georgia's Children
Rick Ward, Georgia Chapter, American Academy of
Pediatrics
Betsey Bates, Bates & Associates
Amanda Cook, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Erin Ruoff, Office of Planning and Budget
Linda Womack, Emory
Scott Maxwell, M&M, Inc.
Kate O'Reilly, Georgia Chapter, American Academy
of Pediatrics

Margie Coggins, ABRO
Cathalene Teahan, GAC
Callie Michael, Southern Strategy Group
Jennifer Ward, SBO
Stephanie Lotti, Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund
Commission