MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEETING
August 8, 2017

Members Present:
Cynthia A. Mercer, MD, Chair
James Curran, MD, Vice Chair
Robert S. Harshman, MD, Secretary
Major General Joe Jarrard
John Haupert
Judy Greenlea Taylor, DDS
Kathryn K. Cheek, MD, FAAP
Mitch Rodriguez, MD
Phillip L. Williams, PhD

Members Absent:

The Board of Public Health held its monthly board meeting on August 8, 2017, at 2 Peachtree St NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303 in the 5th Floor Board Room of the Georgia Department of Public Health. An agenda and a List of Attendees are attached hereto and made official parts of these Minutes as Attachments #1 and #2. Dr. Mercer called the meeting to order at 1:06 PM.

Dr. Harshman called roll. All board members are present.

Approval of Minutes
Dr. Harshman presented the minutes of the June 13, 2017 meeting for discussion and approval. There was no discussion. Dr. Harshman motioned for approval of the minutes; Dr. Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner’s Update
Commissioner O’Neal gave the board an update on activities within the Department of Public Health.

Other Presentations
- Dr. Lawrence Bryant, Opioid Program Manager for the Georgia Department of Public Health presented on Georgia’s Strategic Plan for the Opioid Crisis.
- Ms. Sheila Pierce, Constituent Services Deputy Registrar for the Georgia Department of Public Health presented on the PDMP Transition.
- Ms. Donna Moore, State Registrar and Vital Records Director for the Georgia Department of Public Health presented an update on Vital Records.
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 Dr. Mercer adjourned the meeting at 2:15 PM.

THESE MINUTES ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 10th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2017.

Cynthia Mercer, MD  
Chair

Robert Harshman, MD  
Secretary

Official Attachments:
  1. List of Attendees
  2. Agenda
August 08, 2017

Board Meeting Attendees

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Guest Attendees

Allen Toole, GA-AAP
Barb Touchette, Citizen
Blake Ashbee, Capstone PA
Cathalene Teahan
Chasity Collier, Benedictine University MPH Program
Daniel Thompson, GOGS
Devin Kreci, CSG
Errol Spence, Office of Planning and Budget
Kaprice Welsh, Georgia OBGyn
Fozia U Askew, GA-AAP
Keri Conley, GHA
Mark Sanders, Sanders & Associates for Accenture
Mary Daniels, GHA
Mary Williams, G-CAPP
Rene Esler, JSI Research and Training
Scott Maxwell, M&M
Shawn Smith, Sanofi Pasteur

Georgia Department of Public Health Attendees

Adih Patel
Betsy Kasey
Bruce Jefferies
Chris Harrison
Chris Rustin
Christine Greene
Cynthia Buskey-Martin
Dawn Sparks
Debra Chapman
Dionne Denson
Donna Moore
Eric Jens
Gwen Duffin
Huriyyah Lewis
J. Patrick O’Neal
James Reeves
Jean O’Connor
Jen Burkholder
Joy Wells
Kathy Robinson
Keisha Dixon
Kesia Cobb
Kinji Davis
Kisha Wesley
Kortney Floyd
Lara Jacobson
Latasha Terry
LaToya Golden
Laura Layne
Lawrence Bryant
Madonna Johnson
Meshell McCord
Michelle Allen
Renee Pullin
Rick Kehelley
Sheila Pierce
Sid Barrett
Yvette Daniels
PUBLIC NOTICE

Board of Public Health Meeting
Tuesday, August 8, 2017
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

2 Peachtree St NW, 5th Floor Board Room
Atlanta, GA 30303

A G E N D A

A. Call to Order ......................................................... Cindy Mercer, MD

B. Roll Call .............................................................. Robert Harshman, MD

C. Approval/Adoption of Minutes ....................... Robert Harshman, MD

D. Commissioner’s Update ................................. J. Patrick O’Neal, MD

E. Other Items

   a. Georgia’s Strategic Plan (Opioid Crisis) .............. Larry Bryant, PhD

   b. PDMP Transition .............................................. Sheila Pierce, MPA, CLSSGB

   c. Vital Records Update ................................. Donna Moore, MBA, PMP, CLSSBB

   d. Closing Comments ........................................ Cindy Mercer, MD

F. Adjourn