

**MINUTES OF THE  
BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEETING  
February 10, 2015**

Members Present:

Kathryn K. Cheek, MD, FAAP, Chair  
Phillip L. Williams, PhD., Vice Chair  
Mitch Rodriguez, MD, Secretary  
James W. Curran, MD  
Robert S. Harshman, MD  
Cynthia A. Mercer, MD  
Gary D. Nelson, PhD  
Katie C. Miller  
Judy Greenlea Taylor, DDS

Members Absent:

The Board of Public Health held its monthly board meeting on February 10, 2015, at 2 Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, GA 30303 in the 5<sup>th</sup> 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. Dr. Cheek called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM.

Dr. Rodriguez called roll. All members are present.

**Approval of Minutes**

Dr. Cheek presented the minutes of the January 13, 2014 meeting for discussion and approval. There was no discussion. Dr. Williams motioned for approval of the minutes; Dr. Nelson 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.

**Action Items**

**Other Presentations**

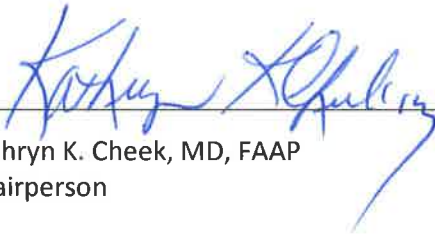
- Dr. Seema Czukas, Maternal and Child Health Section Director for the Georgia Department of Public Health presented on the March of Dimes Banner Program. The following hospitals received Early Elective Delivery Banner Recognition:
  - Cartersville Medical Center, Wellstar Kennestone Regional Medical Center, Barrow Regional Medical Center, Clearview Regional Medical Center, Doctor's Hospital of Augusta, Floyd Medical Center, Grady Health System, Habersham Medical Center, Houston Medical Center, Newton Medical Center, Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital, and Phoebe Sumter Medical Center
- Kate Pfirman, Chief Financial Officer for the Georgia Department of Public Health gave an update on the Budget.
- Scott Uhlich, Contractor for the Georgia Department of Public Health presented on Accreditation Activities.

- Dr. Jean O'Connor, Chronic Disease Prevention Director for the Georgia Department of Public Health, Shana Scott, Chronic Disease Team Lead for the Georgia Department of Public Health, and Marsi Thrash, Advocacy Director for the American Heart Association presented on Heart Disease in Georgia.
- Donna Moore, Vital Records Director for the Georgia Department of Public Health gave an update on the Vital Records Transformation.

**Adjournment**

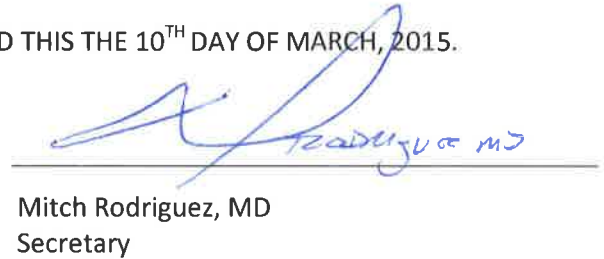
There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Dr. Cheek motioned for adjournment of the meeting and Dr. Curran seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and Dr. Cheek adjourned the meeting at 2:31 PM.

THESE MINUTES ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2015.



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Kathryn K. Cheek, MD, FAAP  
Chairperson



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Mitch Rodriguez, MD  
Secretary

Official Attachments:

1. List of Attendees
2. Agenda