**MINUTES OF THE**

**BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEETING**

**November 12, 2013**

Members Present: Members Absent:

Kathryn K. Cheek, MD, FAAP, Chair Katie C. Miller

Phillip L. Williams, Ph.D., Vice Chair

Mitch Rodriguez, MD, Secretary

James W. Curran, MD

Robert S. Harshman, MD

Cynthia A. Mercer, MD

Gary D. Nelson, Ph.D.

Judy Greenlea Taylor, DDS

The Board of Public Health held its monthly board meeting on September 10, 2013, at 2 Peachtree St

NW, Atlanta, GA 30303 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. Dr. Cheek called the

meeting to order at 1:05 PM.

Dr. Rodriguez called roll. All members are present except for Katie Miller.

**Approval of Minutes**

Dr. Cheek presented the minutes of the September 10, 2013 meeting for discussion and approval. There was no discussion. Dr. Curran motioned for approval of the minutes; Dr. Harshman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Commissioner’s Update**

On behalf of Commissioner Fitzgerald, James Howgate gave the board an update on activities within the Department of Public Health.

**Other Presentations**

* Dr. Patrick O’Neal, Health Protection Director for the Georgia Department of Public Health gave a presentation on Synthetic Marijuana.
* Dr. Cherie Drenzek, State Epidemiologist for the Georgia Department of Public Health gave a presentation on Influenza Season 2013-2014.
* Dr. Emily Anne Vall, Obesity Project Manager for the Georgia Department of Public Health gave a presentation on Georgia SHAPE.
* Dr. Seema Csukas, Maternal Child Health Director for the Georgia Department of Public Health gave a presentation on Georgia’s Infant Mortality Reduction Initiative.
* Russell Crutchfield, Deputy Chief of Staff for the Georgia Department of Public Health gave a presentation on Vital Records.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Dr. Curran motioned for adjournment

of the meeting and Dr. Mercer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and Dr. Cheek

adjourned the meeting at 2:26 PM.

THESE MINUTES ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 8th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2013.

Kathryn K. Cheek, MD, FAAP

Chairperson

Mitch Rodriguez, MD

Secretary

Official Attachments:

1. List of Attendees
2. Agenda

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**OTHER ATTENDEES**

Barbara Crane, Department of Public Health

Bob Shaw, Department of Public Health

Carole Jakeway, Department of Public Health

Cherie Drenzek, Department of Public Health

Christine Greene, Department of Public Health

Deborah Aderhold, Department of Public Health

Donna Dunn, Department of Public Health

Elizabeth Franko, Department of Public Health

Emily Anne Vall, Department of Public Health

Jean O’Connor, Department of Public Health

Kelly Mattran, Department of Public Health

Kimberly Stringer, Department of Public Health

Mary Joyce Bacon, Department of Public Health

Seema Csukas, Department of Public Health

Shannon Hall, Department of Public Health

Sidney Barrett, Department of Public Health

Stella, Department of Public Health

Suleima Salgoado, Department of Public Health

Terri Dumas, Department of Public Health

Tom Wade, Department of Public Health

Yvette Daniels, Department of Public Health

Alicia Lussier, GSK

Amanda Cook, Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta

Asmaa, MPH Student at DMU

Betsy Bates, Bates & Associates

Cathalene Teahan, GAC

Erin Ruoff, Office of Planning and Budget

Ken Elder, Novartis

Kevin Perry, Georgia Beverage Association

Larry Krupa, Deloitte

Tyrone Bell, Learn to Grow