SPALDING COUNTY
BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
January 10th, 2019 @ 12:15pm
Spalding County Health Department

The Spalding County Board of Health met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, January 10th, 2019 at 12:15pm in the conference room of the Spalding County Health Department, located at 1007 Memorial Drive, Griffin, GA.

Attendees: Board of Health Members
Johnie McDaniel, Chairman
Jim Smith, Vice- Chairman
Drew Miller, Pharmacist
Adesola Fabayo, MD
Millie Stull, NP
Holly Murray, City Council Member

Spalding County Managers/Representatives
Cynthia Tidwell, RN, County Nurse Manager
Kelly Wilson, Environmental Health Manager
Ericka Borroto, Regional WIC/Nutritional Manager
Monica Colbert, Customer Service Representative
Lawanda Clarke, Customer Service Representative
Steven Jones, Attorney

District 4 Office Representatives
Olugbenga Obasanjo, MD, District Health Director
Teresa McDaniel, Administrator
Wendy LeVan, RN, Director of Nursing & Clinical Services
Debbi Heard, Executive Assistant/Board of Health Liaison
Freda Mitchem, WIC/Nutrition Services Director
Yessenia Arreguin, MPH, D4PH Emergency Preparedness Program
Seth Woodrow, District EH Deputy Director

Others
Amy Oldham, WIC/Nutritionist
Ashton Harris, D4PH Epidemiologist
Ryan Jones, D4PH Emergency Preparedness Program Director
Kelly Carmichael, Spalding County Parks and Recreation
Debra Howard, Millennium of Griffin Insurance, Inc.
CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Johnie McDaniel called the meeting to order at 12:15pm. Drew Miller provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Today’s meeting agenda was presented for approval. Drew Miller made the motion to approve the agenda as presented, motion seconded by Dr. Fabayo.

MINUTES APPROVAL

The minutes from the November 8th board meeting were presented for approval. Millie Stull made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Drew Miller.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Healthy Out of School Time – Kelly Carmichael from Spalding County Parks and Recreation presented exciting things from the Parks and Leisure Services. Kelly shares with the Board that Spalding County Recreation Department is the recipient of the $25,000 “Healthy out of School Time” grant. Spalding County is 1 out of 20 in the United States to receive this funding for the recreation department. Spalding County used this grant to provide healthy meals during the summer, recreational activities, and to teach children and their families’ healthier eating standards. Board member Drew Miller raised the question of the children being taught to properly read food labels, which he feels is important for children in our community. Kelly informs the board that label reading and being able to understand sugar content is a part of the teachings. Chairman Johnie McDaniel asked how many children did the grant serve, and Kelly informed the board that over 300 children participated in the program. Kelly Carmichael also asked the board to add an action item for a future meeting to ask for Spalding County BOH to partner with their effort of “Healthy Eating Standards”. County Nurse Manager Cynthia Tidwell states the next board meeting will take place in March, and we will add this item to the agenda.

BOH Insurance Renewal for 2019 – Debra Howard of Millennium of Griffin Insurance, Inc is currently the insurance agent for the boards “Public Officials Liability” policy. A copy of the proposal for renewal premium is provided in today’s packet. The current premium is $5,558 and this amount has not changed in the last 3 years. The premium is based off the county’s financial statement and there has not been any recent claims filed against the policy. This policy covers the county’s board members as volunteers and also protects the board from wrongful acts as a whole. Teresa McDaniel adds that the State of Georgia covers board members if they are individually. If they are named under “Spalding County Board of Health”, they would not be covered under the state’s policy. Vice-Chairman Jim Smith has made the motion to accept the premium proposal of $5,558; this motion is seconded by Drew Miller. All were in favor of the motion.

National Stockpile and Close Point of Dispensing (POD) – Yesenia Arreguin, Strategic National Stockpile Coordinator for District 4 Public Health presented material to explain the National Stockpile and Closed PODS. The Strategic National Stockpile is the United States’ national repository of antibiotics, vaccines, chemical antidotes, antitoxins, and other critical medical supplies. Yesenia explains that the strategic National Stockpile currently has about $7 million dollars worth of medication and medical supplies ready to dispense in case of an emergency or natural disaster. Yesenia also discussed points of dispensing, open and closed pods. And how to
register churches, offices and other places of business to become a closed POD. Board Chairman Johnie McDaniel asked what makes a good closed POD candidate. Yesenia replied that any organization interested will make a great candidate and she will assist with the set up when needed. Board member Drew Miller asked is there a minimum size requirement for an organization? And the answer is no, any size organization qualifies to become a closed POD as long as they have a certified personnel on board to dispense the medicine. Ryan Jones and Yesenia Arreguin both expressed that their goal is to have more churches in the community involved in this process. County Nurse Manager Cynthia Tidwell agreed to host an informative National Stockpile and Closed Point of Dispensing (POD) meeting at Spalding County Health Department. Invitations will be sent to local churches to attend the meeting and lunch will be provided.

CLINICAL
CYNTHIA TIDWELL, RN

Cynthia Tidwell provided the Clinical Report (Narrative attached).

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
SETH WOODROW

Seth Woodrow provided the EH Report (Narrative attached)

FINANCIAL
TERESA MCDANIEL

Teresa McDaniel provided the Financial Report. (Narrative attached)

WIC/NUTRITION
ERICKA BORRERO

Ericka Borrero provided the WIC/Nutrition Report (Narrative attached)

DISTRICT 4/PUBLIC HEALTH
Dr. Olugbenga Obasanjo, MD, District Health Director

State Legislative Session - Dr. Obasanjo informed the board that the State Legislative Session start Monday January the 14, 2019. There are not any immediate issues that are Public Health related. Seth Woodrow adds that there is just one regulation that is being revamped for tattoo shops. Tattoo regulations are being changed from county to state regulations, similar to food service guidelines. Meaning that all tattoo artist in every county will follow the same state mandated guidelines.

Flu Season – Dr. Obasanjo informs everyone that the flu is red hot in Georgia right now. There have been about 90 hospitalizations per week and as of Monday there is one confirmed flu related death. The numbers show us that the flu vaccine is working well, which is really good. Dr Obasanjo stresses the importance of getting the flu vaccination if anyone has not done so already.

Accreditation Update - Dr. Obasanjo and Susie Hammock will attend a two week training the second week of February. This training will open the portal needed for us to be able to upload our accreditation documents. All the documents are just about ready to go, and they are now in the process of cleaning everything up. The button will be pushed on March 1, 2019 and there will be a small celebration. Once the button is pushed, we can then prepare for the upcoming site visits. Dr. Obasanjo states that things are moving fast and looking very well. The accreditation scoreboard flyer is included in today’s packet to give a snapshot of the accreditation progress.

BOARD MEMBER UPDATES/REPORTS/COMMENTS
Attorney Steven Jones spoke with County Manager William Wilson concerning updates to the county codes and regulations. William Wilson has authorized us to request in the budget whatever fees we may incur. Steven Jones states that this will be another line item added for the county, and he will keep the board updated with future meetings. Johnie McDaniel asks if this will be include into the 2020 budget. Mr. Jones reply was yes. County Nurse Manager Cynthia Tidwell informed Steven Jones of the April 15, 2019 scheduled budget meeting for district and county.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN

Chairman Johnie McDaniel adjourned the meeting at 1:20 pm.

Johnie McDaniel, Chairman

Date

The next Spalding County Board of Health Meeting is scheduled for March 14th at 12:15pm in the conference room of the Spalding County Health Department.