

MINUTES
MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
APRIL 11, 2018

The Mississippi State Board of Health met on Wednesday, April 11, 2018, in the Alton B. Cobb Auditorium of the Osborne Building, Jackson, MS at 1:00 pm.

Members Present:

Ed D. Barham, MD, FACR, Clinton, MS – Chairman
Thad Waites, MD, Hattiesburg, MS – Vice Chairman
Elayne H. Anthony, PhD, Madison, MS
J. Edward Hill, MD, FAAFP, Tupelo, MS
Lucius M. Lampton, MD, FAAFP, Magnolia, MS
Edward J. Langton, Hattiesburg, MS
Betty Jane Phillips, DrPH, Brandon, MS
Sammie Ruth Rea, RN, Brandon, MS
Wheeler Timothy Timbs, III, Indianola, MS

Members Absent:

Robert J. Moody, Louisville, MS
Dwalia Sherree South, MD, Ripley, MS

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tad Barham, MD.

The first item on the Agenda was the approval of the January 10, 2018 Board Minutes. Upon motion by Dr. Lampton and second by Mr. Langton to accept aforementioned Minutes, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

As part of the State Health Officer's report, Dr. Currier asked Dr. Paul Byers, State Epidemiologist, to talk about Chronic Wasting Disease and Tuberculosis and Jim Craig, Director of Health Protection, to talk about his recent deployment to the U.S. Virgin Islands to support them.

Mitchell Adcock, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the Financial Update.

Natalie Mahaffey, Director, Policy Evaluation and Government Relations, presented the Legislative Update.

Consent Agenda Items:

1. Reappointments to the Child Care Advisory Council
2. Amendment of Regulations Governing Licensure of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists
3. Adoption of the National Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Certification Scores as the Passing Scores for Licensure in Mississippi
4. Final Adoption of Amendments to the Mississippi STEMI System of Care Regulations
5. Final Adoption of Amendments to the On-Site Wastewater Regulations

Upon motion by Mr. Langton to approve the Consent Agenda without extraction and second by Mr. Timbs, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Election of Officers

Mr. Langton, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, advised both Dr. Barham and Dr. Waites that the Committee had nominated them as Chairman and Vice Chairman, respectively. Dr. Barham asked if there were any nominations from the floor; there being none, asked if all were in favor of reelecting them. The Board unanimously voted to reelect both Drs. Barham and Waites.

Upon motion by Dr. Anthony to consider going into Executive Session to consider matters related to litigation and second by Dr. Lampton, the Board unanimously approved the motion. Upon motion by Dr. Waites and second by Mr. Timbs, with unanimous “ayes”, the Board entered into Executive Session at 2:02 pm. Upon motion by Dr. Waites and second by Mr. Timbs, the Board returned to Regular Session at 2:48 pm.

Dr. Barham announced the Board discussed litigation matters, and no action was taken by the Board.

Upon motion to adjourn by Dr. Anthony and second by Dr. Lampton, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 2:50 pm.

Ed D. Barham, MD
Chairman

Mary Currier, MD, MPH
State Health Officer