

MINUTES
MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
OCTOBER 13, 2010

The Mississippi State Board of Health met on Wednesday, October 13, 2010, in the Alton B. Cobb Auditorium of the Osborne Building, Jackson, MS at 10:00 am.

Members Present:

Elayne H. Anthony, PhD, Madison, MS
Albert Randel Hendrix, PhD, Ovet, MS
Lucius M. Lampton, MD, FAAFP, Magnolia, MS – Chairman
Sammie Ruth Rea, RN, Brandon, MS
Ronald W. Robertson, Sr., Greenwood, MS
Kelly S. Segars, Sr., MD, FAAFP, Iuka, MS
David C. Williams, MD, Clinton, MS – Vice-Chairman
Ellen P. Williams, RN, MSN, Senatobia, MS

Members Absent:

J. Edward Hill, MD, FAAFP, Tupelo, MS
Carl L. Nicholson, Jr., CPA, Hattiesburg, MS
Thad Waites, MD, Hattiesburg, MS

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Luke Lampton, MD.

The first item of business was the swearing in of Board Member Kelly S. Segars, Sr., MD by Bob Fagan, Chief Legal Counsel.

The next item of business was approval of the July 7, 2010 Board Minutes. Upon motion by Dr. Anthony and second by Mr. Robertson to accept afore-mentioned minutes, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Dr. Mary Currier, State Health Officer, presented the State Health Officer's Report.

Mike Lucius, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the Budget Update.

Consent Agenda Items:

Item 1 Final Adoption – Mississippi EMS Laws, Rules and Regulations

Item 2 Rules and Regulations Governing Reportable Diseases

Item 3 Appointments/Reappointments to the Child Care Facilities Licensure Advisory Council

Item 4 Reappointments to the Council of Advisors for Hearing Aid Specialists

Item 5 Appointment/Reappointment to the Council of Advisors for Occupational Therapists

Item 6 Reappointment to the Council of Advisors for Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists

Item 7 Intent to Adopt – Regulations Governing Licensure of Athletic Trainers

Item 8 Final Adoption – Regulations Governing Registration of Medical Radiation Technologists

Item 9 Rewrite of Chapter 14, Mississippi Trauma Care System Regulations

Upon motion by Dr. Segars to accept Consent Agenda and second by Mrs. Williams, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Regular Agenda Items:

Item 10 Closure of District II Home Health Regional Office

Upon motion by Dr. Segars and second by Mrs. Williams, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Item 11 Recommendations for Changes in Certificate of Need Statute

Upon motion of Mrs. Williams to approve CON recommendations for our legislative agenda and second by Dr. Anthony, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Item 12 Proposed Fee Changes for the Office of Health Protection

Hope Ladner asked the Board to endorse going to the Legislature and asking that the criminal history check, hospital and health facility licensure inspection, and radiological health fees already set in statute be changed to allow the Board to review and address said fees.

Dr. Lampton asked Vickey Maddox, Director of Licensure, to research fingerprint fees for students and report back to the Board during the January, 2011 meeting with her recommendations.

Upon motion of Dr. Hendrix to 1) endorse going to the Legislature to give the Board authority to set fees for hospital and health facility licensure inspection and radiological health fees and 2) to increase the fees with the one exception of criminal history checks for students and second by Dr. Segars, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Item 13 Scheduling of Controlled Substance Recommendations

Upon motion by Dr. Anthony to recommend to the Legislature that our controlled substance law be in compliance with the federal schedule and second by Dr. Segars, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Item 14 Repealer Extensions – EMS/Trauma, On-Site Wastewater, Licensure

Upon motion by Dr. Anthony to extend the repealer on Licensure and second by Mrs. Williams, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Upon motion by Dr. Hendrix to extend the repealer on the Wastewater Disposal System and second by Dr. Segars, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Upon motion by Dr. Hendrix to delete the EMS/Trauma repealer and second by Dr. Segars, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Item 15 Smokefree Air Mississippi Initiative

Dr. Peter Briss, Captain, U. S. Public Health Service, presented scientific evidence on health risks of secondhand smoke exposure and what can be done about it.

Liz Sharlot, Director, Communications, discussed our media aspect of the Smokefree Air in Mississippi.

Upon motion by Dr. Anthony to endorse the Smokefree Air Mississippi initiative and sign the Resolution showing the support of the Board and second by Dr. Segars, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Upon motion by Dr. Hendrix to approve the Board Strategic Plan and second by Dr. Williams, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Upon motion by Dr. Segars to draft a letter to the Legislature on behalf of the Board stating the Board is concerned about the public health ramifications of the upcoming Medicare cuts and that our Congressmen need to be aware of the negative impact on medical facilities in the state if that cut goes through and second by Dr. Hendrix, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Upon motion by Dr. Anthony to adjourn and second by Dr. Williams, the Board unanimously approved the motion. Meeting concluded at 11:58 am.

Lucius M. Lampton, MD, FAAFP
Chairman

Mary Currier, MD, MPH
State Health Officer