The Mississippi State Board of Health met on Wednesday, October 11, 2017, in the Alton B. Cobb Auditorium of the Osborne Building, Jackson, MS at 10:00 am.

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
Robert J. Moody, Louisville, MS
Betty Jane Phillips, DrPH, Brandon, MS
Sammie Ruth Rea, RN, Brandon, MS
Dwalia Sherree South, MD, Ripley, MS

Members Absent:

Wheeler Timothy Timbs, III, Indianola, MS

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

The first item on the Agenda was the approval of the July 12, 2017 Board Minutes. Upon motion by Dr. Lampton and second by Dr. South to accept aforementioned Minutes, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Mary Currier, MD, MPH presented the State Health Officer’s Report.

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

Duncan Donald, MD, Chairman of the Trauma System Clinical Effectiveness Committee presented an update on the Committee’s activities.

Consent Agenda Items:

1. Reappointments and Appointments to the Child Care Advisory Council
2. Reappointments to the Mississippi Advisory Council in Occupational Therapy
3. Appointment and Reappointments to the Medical Radiation Advisory Council
4. Reappointments to the Radiation Advisory Council
5. Amendment to Mississippi State Board of Health Bylaws

Upon motion by Mr. Langton to approve the Consent Agenda and second by Mrs. Rea, the Board unanimously approved the motion.
Regular Agenda Items:

6. Approval of Internal Audit Plan for Fiscal Year 2018

Upon motion by Dr. Anthony to approve Item 6 and second by Dr. Lampton, the Board unanimously approved the motion.


8. Reauthorize Section 41-58-1, the Medical Radiation Technology Statute. Current provisions are repealed July 1, 2018.

9. Amend Section 73-65-3 which establishes the Professional Art Therapist Advisory Council to add a Psychologist who is licensed and practices in the state of Mississippi

10. Reauthorize Section 41-111-1 which creates the Child Death Review Panel and establishes its memberships and duties

11. Annual Revisions to the Mississippi Uniform Controlled Substances Law

12. Amend Section 41-115-1 to Prohibit the Use of Tanning Devices at Tanning Facilities by Children under Age 18


Upon motion by Mr. Langton to approve Items 7 – 13 (MS State Board of Health Legislative Agenda) and second by Dr. Phillips, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

New Business

Dr. Lampton presented the Resolution of the Board to Dr. Alfio Rausa in recognition and appreciation of distinguished service of more than fifty (50) years of service to public health. He moved to accept by acclamation and applause.

Dr. Barham presented a plaque to Dr. Lampton for his dedicated service as Chairman of the State Board of Health from 2007 to 2017 and a plaque to Dr. Hill for his dedicated service as Vice Chairman of the State Board of Health from 2011 to 2017.

Dr. Currier presented Drs. Lampton and Hill with a hard hat for their efforts regarding the Health Department Lab and also as protection “throughout the future in the political arena”.

Dr. Currier invited all in attendance to the Celebration of Accreditation of the Health Department at 1 pm on the front lawn of the Health Department.

Dr. Barham adjourned the meeting at 11:34 am.

Ed D. Barham, MD
Chairman

Mary Currier, MD, MPH
State Health Officer