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Human Services 154 Government
Center Drive, Mocksville, 27028
12:00 PM

AGENDA

DAVIE COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

Regular Meeting May 28, 2024

Roll Call/Sign in

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Brian Baker	Optometrist	Absent	
Joe Boyette	At-Large/Consumer	Present	
Kathy Cornatzer	Nurse/At-Large/Consumer	Present	
Andreia Collins	Social Worker/Consumer	Present	
	Engineer	Vacant	
Jessica McCaskill	Veterinarian	Absent	
Richard B. Poindexter	Commissioner	Absent	
Terry N. Renegar	Chairman	Present	
Andrew Rivers	Dentist	Absent	
Aimee Farr	Psychologist	Present	
Sherri Jefferies	At-Large/Consumer	Present	
Clio Austin	Physician	Present	
Sara Buchanan	Pharmacist	Absent	

I. Call to Order

“Pursuant to NCGS 160A-86 and the Davie County HHS Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Section included in the HHS Board Operating Procedures adopted September 22, 2020, I would ask

each of you before you adopt the agenda today if there is any actual, potential or perceived conflicts of interest with respect to any matter on the proposed agenda which will come before the Board today for a vote. If so, please speak up and let the Board know at this time before the agenda is adopted.”

Mr. Renegar called the meeting to order and asked members to review the conflict of interest disclosure section from the HHS Board Operating Procedures. Mr. Renegar asked if there were conflicts with anything being presented. There were no conflicts self-reported by any Board member.

II. Invocation

Chairman Renegar provided the invocation.

III. Discussion & Approval of Agenda

1. Approval of Agenda:

The May 28, 2024 agenda was presented for approval. Mr. Renegar asked Board members to review the agenda that was provided to them for today's meeting.

Vote: After review, **Kathy Cornatzer made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Andreia Collins seconded. The motion carried.**

IV. Review of Minutes

1. Consolidated Human Services Board Meeting – February 27, 2024

Chairman Renegar asked Board members to review meeting minutes provided from February 27, 2024.

Vote: Andreia Collins made a motion to approve the meetings minutes from February 27, 2024 as provided. Kathy Cornatzer seconded. The motion carried

V. Public Comments

The Board sets aside part of each meeting for individuals or groups to address the board.

Any person wishing to address the Board can place their name on the sign-up sheet before the meeting is scheduled to begin. The chair will call each speaker in the order in which his or her name appears on the sign-up sheet. Each speaker is limited to three minutes to address the Board. At the end of the Public Comments section of the meeting the chair will open up the floor for comment from any member of the public who wishes to speak and has not yet had the opportunity to do so. It should be noted that the Public Comments section of the meeting is for members of the public to address the Board. Board members will not render an opinion or give any comment with regard to the subject matter presented by members of the public. No further discussion or questions from the public will be accepted once public comments have been heard.

Mr. Renegar asked if anyone signed up to speak under public comments. There were no speakers signed up to speak under the public comment section at this meeting.

VI. Presentations

- **Senior Services/Aging and Adult Services – Kim Shuskey**

- 1. Master Aging Plan

Kim presented information on the 2024-2029 Master Aging Plan. Work began on this plan in August of 2023 and was adopted by the County Commissioners on May 6, 2024. Work started with a needs assessment process which consisted of one-on-one interviews with stakeholders, surveys and focus group meetings. A steering committee met to assess, streamline and prioritize the areas of focus using the information obtained from that process. Based on this information, 4 areas of focus were chosen, using AARP's framework for Age-Friendly Communities which is designed to encourage communities to work together to make them more inclusive, accessible and enjoyable for people of all ages. The four areas chosen were:

- Outdoor Spaces and Buildings
 - Transportation
 - Housing
 - Health Services and Community Supports

Workgroups were formed for each focus area. Over the course of three months the workgroups met and set goals, objectives, strategies and indicators for their area. For accountability purposes members also identified who the responsible parties would be for each objective. This information was compiled to create the Master Aging Plan.

3 of the 4 workgroups have already had their first follow up meeting, with the 4th scheduled for June 5, 2025. Members of the community are encouraged to join groups of their interest to help members fulfill the goals of the plan.

2. AARPA Network of Age Friendly States and Communities

Kim reported on the county's membership into this network of Age Friendly States and Communities. We were able to use the work we conducted for the Master Aging Plan to fulfill many of the requirements for membership into AARP's Network of Age Friendly States and Communities. This application was accepted and Senior Services was pleased to accept the certificate of membership on behalf of Davie County at the May commissioner's meeting

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Davie County is now the 19th community in NC and the 881st community in the United States to be a member. Membership in this network demonstrates Davie County's commitment to becoming more age-friendly under the criteria established by AARP.

Senior Services will continue to provide information and updates to AARP as part of this membership on progress made toward goals in the Master Aging Plan.

3. USA Today Article– Senior2Senior

Kim reported on this exciting program. Davie County Senior Services was approached by Davie County High School English teacher Ashley Snider regarding a partnership where her senior students were paired with a senior from Senior Services to become pen pals. Over the semester the older adult seniors and the high schools seniors wrote back and forth to each other. The project ended with a face-to-face meeting during a social at Senior Services on May 13. This was a

wonderful project and many of the seniors formed friendships that continue. This project was broadcast on WXII's news and was picked up by several news networks, including an article from USA Today. Senior Services was pleased to be part of this project and we look forward to continuing it for years to come

- **Environmental Health Update – Justin White**

1. SB 166,

Justin White provided an update on Senate Bill 166 and impact to local environmental health.

SB 166 – 2024 Building Code Regulatory Reform

- a. Timeline

- Filed in Senate on 2-27-2023
- Passed readings on 5/4/23 after com
- Ref to House
- Re-ref to com on 5/4/23
- Withdrawn from Com on 4/10/24
- Changes made through Com
- Passed 2nd and 3rd reading 5/8/24
- Waiting in Senate

- b. Section 4.5

Amends GS 130A-337 to allow applicants to contract with a certified private compliance inspector for any required verifications or inspections of an on-site wastewater system for compliance with the designs of a Construction Authorization issued by a local health department or an Authorization to Construct when the four specified criteria are met, including that the private compliance inspector is not the contractor of the on-site wastewater system being inspected or employed by the contractor of the system being inspected, and the private compliance inspector documents the compliance inspection with the specified form. Discharges and releases the Department and its agents as well as the local health department from any liabilities, duties, and responsibilities arising out of or attributed to an on-site wastewater system inspection under these provisions.

- c. Section 4.7

Amends GS 143-300.8 to require all local health departments to enter into annual agreements with the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to provide environmental health services; requires the agreement to include a requirement for quality assurance for all environmental health services. Adds and defines the terms *department*, *local health department*, *registered environmental health associate*, *registered environmental health specialist*, and *registered environmental health specialist intern*. Requires any registered environmental health specialist, registered environmental health specialist intern, or registered environmental health associate (was, any local health department sanitarian)

enforcing rules of the Commission for Public Health (CPH) under DHHS authority to be defended by the Attorney General and protected from liability in any civil or criminal action or proceedings in their official or individual capacity. Requires DHHS to pay half (was, pay all) of any judgment against those individuals or any settlement made on behalf of those individuals. Requires a local health department employing or contracting with those individuals at the time of the underlying act or omission that gives rise to the judgment or settlement to pay half. Excludes from Attorney General defense and DHHS payment requirements those who have not entered into a required annual agreement. Specifies that these individuals will not be defended by the Attorney General or protected from liability for any claim arising from an act or omission made in the scope and course of enforcing a local rule adopted under GS 130A-335(c).

d. Section 4.8

Requires that 15A NCAC 02C .0107, the Construction Standards Rule, be implemented so that the horizontal separation between a water supply well and potential sources of groundwater contamination that exist at the time the well is constructed must be no less than 50 feet for any single-family dwelling with the septic tank and drainfield. Requires the Environmental Management Commission to adopt a rule to amend the Construction Standards Rule consistent with this provision.

e. Section 4.9

Amends GS 130A-336.1 (alternative process for wastewater approval), as amended by Section 3 of SL 2023-90, as follows. Clarifies that an owner of a wastewater system must submit the required materials to the local health department prior to receiving a certificate of occupancy. Sets forth process by which health department must notify the appropriate inspections department upon receiving the materials by the owner of a wastewater system. Now specifies that a wastewater system authorized under GS 130A-336.1 is not affected by a change in ownership of the site of the wastewater system (was, system was transferrable to new owner upon consent of the professional engineer with new contract required). Amends GS 130A-336.2, concerning alternative wastewater system approvals for nonengineered systems, by requiring the listed items to be submitted prior to receiving a certificate of occupancy from the appropriate inspection department; no longer requires

inclusion of the specified fee. Requires within two business days of receiving this required documentation that the local health department notify the appropriate inspections department;

if it fails to do so, the owner of the wastewater system may submit the authorization to operate to the appropriate inspections department and receive a certificate of occupancy. Amends GS 130A-336.2(o) (alternative wastewater system approvals for nonengineered systems), as amended by Section 4 of SL 2023-90, to now specify that a wastewater system authorized under the law is not affected by a change in ownership of the site of the wastewater system (was, system was transferrable to new owner upon consent of the Authorized On Site Wastewater Evaluator with new contract required). Effective retroactive to July 10, 2023.

f. 18E rules, definitions and wording changes through the adopted sections

2. Davie Enterprise Editorial Response

Justin White shared environmental health staff members named in public comments and referenced in the Davie Enterprise Record editorial wanted to submit a letter to the editor to address misleading information that was included in the article. At this point, staff do not plan to send the letter unless there continues to be slander or untruths promoted in public forums or more editorial publications.

3. 2 Large Subdivision

Justin White updated Board members on work related to two large subdivision. The first being the 76 lot subdivision– Foxcroft at Markland, 801 side. Justin reported that evaluations started last week, with 17 lots completed on initial soil evaluation.

The second subdivision is 85 lots and being completed by Arden Group. This subdivision is located at Baileys Chapel Rd and 801, with the entrance being on Baileys Chapel Rd

Environment Health is still working on 56 lots - the Armsworthy Subdivision – located at Armsworthy Rd between 158 and Baltimore Rd. Environmental Health will issue a majority of the permits, while an Engineer and Soil Scientist will issue remaining portions of the lots

VII. Action Items

- **Woodson Foundation Grants for Action – DCVP and Senior Services (Kim Shuskey)**

the requested amount.

Kim also reported Senior Services received \$7,000 from the Woodson Foundation, which was the requested amount from Senior Services.

Mr. Renegar requested a vote for action on the two Woodson Grant awards for both DCVP and Senior Services.

Vote: Joe Boyette made a motion to approve both Woodson grant award amounts for DCVP and Senior Services as presented. Kathy Cornatzer seconded. The motion carried.

- **Amendment to Board Operating Procedures– Public Comments (Suzanne Wright)**

The Board Operating Procedures were updated to include information outlined in NCGS 153-52.1 and from UNC School of Government. 153-52.1 State statutes require boards of county commissioners, city councils, and school boards to offer at least one public comment period each month during a regular meeting, at which members of the public may comment on local government affairs more broadly. As noted earlier, the open meetings law allows the public to attend meetings. There is no legal requirement for public comments during DSS, Public Health or Consolidated Health and Human Services Board meetings. It will be the Board's discretion whether a public comment section is added to the agenda prior to a regular meeting of the DCHHS Board. If the DCHHS Board, at the direction of the DCHHS Board Chair, chooses to include a public comment section on the DCHHS Board agenda in advance (24 hours) of any regularly scheduled meeting, the following rules shall apply:

1. Public comments shall pertain to an Action Item on the current meeting agenda.
2. Language below this point was already included in the original Board Operating Procedures.

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If joining the Board meeting by electronic means, members of the public will be allowed to participate according to the rules outlined above, but only if the Board has pre-approved a public comment section on the agenda for the given meeting date.

Board members serve on committees within the community and thereby hear and receive input from the public which is then communicated to the Davie County Health and Human Services Board at Board meetings.

Board Member Dr. Austin and Chairman Terry Renegar both reiterated the importance of hearing from the public on topics of interest or impact to the public. Both agreed that a

Vote: Joe Boyette made a motion to approve the Board Operating Procedures as presented. Kathy Cornatzer seconded. The motion carried.

- Closed Session Meeting Minutes – February 27, 2024

Closed session meeting minutes were presented to the Board for review and approval. However, due to several members joining virtually and not having quorum without their review and approval, the full Board was unable to review and approve, so this vote, per Chairman Renegar, was tabled until next meeting.

VIII Consent Agenda

- Financial update – Elizabeth Brown

Elizabeth Brown shared the YTD comparison report for Period 10.

Period 10 Comparisons are in a similar position with revenues and expenses to February's overview of Period 7. County Finance asked for final purchase order requests and spending to stop as of April 19, 2024, which is a spending deadline as last year. Any new spending is for pre-authorized emergency

budgeted county allocation for this year as compared to last year.

Health –Again, there is a decrease in revenue due to the changes in Medicaid reimbursement payments and a significant reduction of COVID funding. Last year, we saw an increase in revenue due to over \$691K in payments of traditional Medicaid reimbursement. This year, Medicaid reimbursement payments have changed to the SDP, or separate directive payments, and are billed quarterly. While SDP payments have been processing in a somewhat timely manner, we have not received any settlement funding yet.

DSS – The report shows a decrease in revenue is due cuts to the ARPA funds and no additional COVID funding. The increase in expenses is due to having to spend down both Ongoing Medicaid Expansion Allocation and Advanced CCU/Medicaid Expansion funds before May 31, 2024. Any funds not spent by the deadline would be reverted back to the state. As of date, all Medicaid Expansion funds have been spent. These expenses are 100% reimbursable and should reflect as revenue in Period 11.

Senior Services- increases in revenues are due to receiving increased funds for ARPA Senior Center Community expansion and homebound meals totaling a combined \$82.8K. There was also an increase of about \$24K in donations since Period 7 which is about \$9.7K over the projected amount for the year. The decrease in expenses is due to staff openings.

- **Domestic Violence** – There is an increase in revenue due to receiving two grants from the Human Trafficking Commission Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking Commission Sexual Assault totaling \$158,000. The increase in spending is due including the purchase of two vehicles, department supplies, being able to provide direct services for clients and additional training for staff, as well as fund a part-time position for a services coordinator. Also assisted the Sherriff's Department with \$25K to help purchase a camera that is used in homicide cases.

Chairman Renegar asked if there were questions about the financial report or information provided. Hearing none,

Vote: Kathy Cornatzer made a motion to approve. Joe Boyette seconded. The motion carried.

X. Director's Comments

Director comments are presented during the meeting and will be provided in writing to HHS Board Members as well.

Recovery Road Annual Opioid Event

The required annual opioid stakeholders meeting, Recovery Road, was held May 15th in the Government Center training room. Please find included in your packet a draft article to be printed in the upcoming issue of Davie Life. Old Vineyard Behavioral Health Services and Davie County co-sponsored the meal for a set number of community stakeholders (100). We realize the meal and location limited participation from community members during the presentation portion of the meeting and plan to change that for future events. The resource fair portion of this meeting was open to the public.

• Budget and Salary Step Plan

At the request of Commissioners, the County Manager has proposed a new salary step plan for consideration at an upcoming Board of Commissioners meeting. After reviewing the plan and having Mr. Barnett present it to HHS staff, it was well-received overall. It is probably the fairest and least subjective

salary plan that has been proposed and presented in the sixteen years I have been with the County.

There were several items cut from the proposed HHS budget as noted in the proposed County Manager's budget, but three items in particular are of concern for HHS. I have shared my concerns with County finance staff and they plan to address,

- 55512-530285 - It appears the intergovernmental transfer (IGT) match for separate directive payments (SDP) cost settlement was cut from \$100,000 to \$25,000, which means we will not be able to make the match for our Medicaid Cost settlement. At minimum, we will need \$85,000 in the budget to cover our match.
- 55534-540450- BCCCP purchased services were cut to \$10,000. We receive \$19,500 from the state and these funds were reduced in the proposed budget to \$10,000. We have to spend the funding (\$19,000) to get the full funding. These changes impact our ability to pay a provider (PA or NP) to carryout required BCCCP services.
- DSS: 553106-540650 - There was a \$56,000 cut to this line. I understand appearances with increases compared to historical expenditures, but we are now required to pay kinship placements. Kinship

budgeted, but will likely need closer to \$185,000 to support payment for Licensed Kinship Placements.

- **Community Response Team- addition of mental health representatives based on Opioid Task Force and HHS Board recommendation:**

Over the past several months we have discussed adding representative from mental/behavioral health to the opioid task force, which is now named the Community Response Task Force. Currently there are several members of the Community Response Task Force who meet criteria (outlined by our HHS Consultant) to serve as mental/behavioral health representatives:

- Jesse Stroud (SUD provider) – already on the task force
- Brad Elliott (Peer Counselor) already on the task force
- Katie Brewer (Special Olympics) Already on the task force
- Aubrey Draughn (Parent/Caregiver) already on the task force
- Crystal Robertson (Old Vineyard Behavioral Health Services)

The following 5 individuals have been recommended by the Opioid Task Force/Community Response Task Force to serve as additional representatives. These individuals will be invited to the next scheduled meeting in June.

- Katy Hites
- Julie Wood (IDD provider)
- Mark Scott (Monarch New Horizons and caregiver)
- Brittany Green/Monarch New Horizons
- Jackie Copeland (Mental Health provider/LME-MCO)

XI. Other Business

XII. Closed Session:

143-318.11. (1) To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes

Closed Session Vote: Aimee Farr made a motion to move to closed session. Joe Boyette seconded. The motion carried.

End Closed Session Vote: Andreia Collins made a motion to end closed session. Kathy Cornatzer seconded. The motion carried

XIII. Adjourn -

Vote: Kathy Cornatzer made a motion to adjourn. Andreia Collins seconded. The motion carried