



**CONSOLIDATED HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022 – 6:00 PM

Call to Order / Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance

The Stanly County Consolidated Health and Human Services Board met on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 6:00 PM in the Health and Human Services Auditorium.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Scott Efird	Commissioner	Excused	
Nancy Smoak	Board Member	Present	
Joan Eudy	Board Member	Present	
Ric Cain	Vice Chairman	Present	
Beth Thomas	Board Member	Present	
Tom Norwood	Board Member	Excused	
James Marshall	Board Member	Present	
Amy Jordan	Board Member	Present	
Georgette Edgerton	Board Member	Present	
Larry Gibson	Board Member	Present	
Tommy Jordan	Board Member	Present	
Elizabeth Teal	Board Member	Excused	
Laura Harbeson	Board Member	Present	
Kristi Small	Board Member	Present	
Wendell Drye	Board Member	Present	
Diane Robinson	Board Member	Present	
Jenny Hinson	Board Member	Present	
Sherry Poplin	Board Member	Excused	
Stan Leggett	Board Member	Present	
Jann Lowder	Chairman	Present	

Chair Jann Lowder called the April 7th Consolidated Health & Human Services Board meeting to order, with Diane Robinson providing the invocation and leading the pledge of allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda

A Motion was made by Ric Cain to accept the agenda as presented, with a second from Commissioner Jordan. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ric Cain, Vice Chairman
SECONDER:	Tommy Jordan, Board Member
AYES:	Smoak, Eudy, Cain, Thomas, Marshall, Jordan, Edgerton, Gibson, Jordan, Harbeson, Small, Drye, Robinson, Hinson, Leggett
EXCUSED:	Efird, Norwood, Teal, Poplin

Scheduled Agenda Items

1. Stanly County Dental Clinic Update

Dr. Mindy Turner, Pediatric Dentist with Stanly County Dental Clinic, presented a dental clinic update by powerpoint which included numbers of patients receiving services in the dental clinic, hospital dentistry and children seen at schools during the school based Dental Sealant Program. Dr. Turner continued that the dental clinic received a \$10,000.00 GlaxoSmithCline grant in 2020 and with that grant, plans are underway to implement a special project to assist with funding in a referral process for patients from the John Murray Community Care Clinic to Southeast Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery for dental extractions only. This will be for adult patients, 18-64 years old, who are uninsured and established patients from the Community Care Clinic. Invoices for referred patients will be sent to Stanly County Dental Clinic. Southeast Oral Surgery will be reimbursed directly for any fees incurred on the patients' s behalf by the Stanly County Dental Clinic. Mr. Jenkins shared that there is always a huge outcry for some form of adult dental care assistance in the community and this would be a good opportunity to help assist the community and cut down hospital emergency visits. Dr. Turner shared that the dental clinic celebrates it's 20 year anniversary this month.

Dr. Turner introduced Debbye Krueger, retired dental hygienist with the Oral Health Section of DPH, to give an overview of the program "Mouth Care without a Battle". Mrs. Krueger shared that the program is a medically driven program to address oral health issues of patients who are in assisted living or nursing homes. She shared statistics of the benefit of training staff who take care of this population such as reducing the incidence of pneumonia by 76%. She visits the Monarch facilities here in Stanly County and hopes to include the nursing homes when permitted due to COVID. Mrs. Krueger shared a folder with Board members with information about the program, which she shares with managers at each facility she visits. Mrs. Krueger entertained questions from the Board and was thanked for her presentation.

2. Opioid Settlement Funds Discussion

Wendy Growcock, Health Education Specialist at the Stanly County Health Department, gave a presentation on Stanly County Substance Use and the National Opioid Settlement funds coming to Stanly County. This presentation also serves as the First Annual Report related to Community Health. Mrs. Growcock gave Board members a handout listing support programs that serve persons with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) or any co-occurring Substance Use Disorder (SUD) or mental health condition. She also used a powerpoint presentation to update the Board on Stanly County overdose numbers, how the county is developing relationships, practices and procedures to combat overdose deaths. She reminded Board members that Stanly County was 1st in overdose deaths in the state but due to these programs and partnerships put in place, we are no longer in the top ten. Mrs. Growcock states that Stanly County is due to receive \$4,668,953.00 in Opioid settlement funds, over an 18 year period. Mrs. Growcock allowed time for questions and comments.

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Mike Campbell, EMT-P Deputy Chief/EMS Training Officer with Stanly County EMS, presented a powerpoint to address what the community paramedic program is doing in Stanly County. The Community Paramedic program was formed with the sole intention of combating the opiate crisis from a proactive versus reactive approach. Community Paramedics respond to all active overdose calls in the county and interacts with patients in real time. At present they have four full time Community Paramedics and Peer Support Specialists funded by the HRSA grant and a portion funded by the county. Stanly County has built a nationally recognized model that other rural communities are adopting due to success in decreasing opioid overdose deaths. Mr. Campbell fielded questions and was thanked for his presentation.

Desiree Mather-Kelly, Peer Support Specialist with EMS, addressed the Board to share her role and experience working and responding to overdose situations and the reward for helping patients and their families seek assistance. She was thanked for her presentation and answered questions from the Board.

In closing, Mr. Jenkins suggested that a recommendation from the Consolidated Health and Human Services Board to the Board of Commissioners supporting the continued efforts of these programs, which have shown tremendous success in combating the Substance Use/Abuse in Stanly County, when receiving the Opioid Settlement Funds. Mr. Jenkins will send the information presented in tonight's Board meeting to Board members for review and they will discuss and make a recommendation at the May meeting.

3. FY22-23 Social Services Budget Proposal *Action Required*

Mrs. Dolly Clayton presented the budget for D.S.S., FY2022-23 which is included in the Board members packet. She explained that the county finance department changed a few numbers making the totals change slightly, however the percentages remained the same. She reviewed each page of the proposed budget, explaining the target budget, requested budget and enhancements which include the request for six new positions to relieve the increased workload of staff due to the pandemic and increased need for services. In closing, she highlighted the final slide which shows the financial impact to Stanly County with the total budgetary amount of \$111,576,077.00 due to the work that D.S.S. staff performs.

After time allowed for discussion, Larry Gibson moved for approval of the D.S.S. budget proposal with a second by Nancy Smoak. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

4. FY22-23 Health Department Budget Proposal & Fee Schedule *Action Required* (Act. 33.2,39.3,33.5)

Mr. David Jenkins presented the proposed FY2022-23 Health Department Budget and Fee Schedule which was included in the Board packet received prior to the meeting. Mr. Jenkins states the overall expenditure budget request of \$5,348,549.00 is a .87% decrease from the FY2021-22 adopted budget, combined with a projected \$3,367,671.00 in revenues, the budget reflects a net request of \$1,980,878.00 in county funding which represents a 1.93% decrease from the current year adopted budget. Mr. Jenkins reviewed enhancements and reviewed the fee request, highlighting significant increases in Environmental Health fees due to growth in the county and cost to do business. In reviewing enhancements, Mr. Jenkins pointed out the request for a new position in environmental health and new flooring in dental and general health from proceeds from the sale of home health.

After questions and comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Dr. Jordan, to approve the Health Department's proposed FY22-23 budget, along with the FY22-23 Health Department Fee Schedule. The Motion passed by unanimous vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Tommy Jordan, Board Member
SECONDER:	Amy Jordan, Board Member
AYES:	Smoak, Eudy, Cain, Thomas, Marshall, Jordan, Edgerton, Gibson, Jordan, Harbeson, Small, Drye, Robinson, Hinson, Leggett
EXCUSED:	Efird, Norwood, Teal, Poplin

D.S.S. Updates

A. DSS Report of Services - February 2022

Mrs. Dolly Clayton reviewed the DSS Report of Services through February, 2022 stating that expenditures is at 58% with revenue at 43%. She shared that all three of her CAP positions are currently filled. Other accomplishments she shared is a child adoption after 1,253 days in foster care, one FNS position filled and the REDA audit was completed. Mrs. Clayton praised the staff for their hard work on completing the adoption and the REDA audit. Mrs. Clayton states they still face challenges, as they have one vacant CPS position and FNS recertifications numbers are high and current staff are struggling to get them completed timely.

In closing, Mrs. Clayton shared that April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and May is National Foster Care Month. She shared that there are currently 26 foster homes and passed out promotional items to Board members to share with anyone who may be interested in becoming a foster parent.

Health Department Updates

A. Exp/Rev Report thru Feb. 2022 *Action Required*

Mr. Jenkins wanted to point out that with patient fees, we collected \$216,000.00 over what our adopted FY21-22 budget was, that will likely go back to the county, due to Covid-19 vaccinations. He had no other updates at this time concerning the Budget Performance Report. With no other discussions, Mr. Larry Gibson moved that the Expense/Revenue report be accepted as presented, with a second by Commissioner Jordan. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Larry Gibson, Board Member
SECONDER:	Tommy Jordan, Board Member
AYES:	Smoak, Eudy, Cain, Thomas, Marshall, Jordan, Edgerton, Gibson, Jordan, Harbeson, Small, Drye, Robinson, Hinson, Leggett
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B. Activities Report Summary thru Feb. 2022

The Activities Summary Report was included in the Board packet for review. Mr. Jenkins had no updates or comments at this time.

Consolidated Human Services Updates

Mr. Jenkins states the strategic plan will need finalizing and start on a new strategic plan, and Board members will receive upcoming information. He also reminded new Board members who have not received in person training will be contacted to set up a time.

Adoption of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Larry Gibson to accept the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Jordan. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Larry Gibson, Board Member
SECONDER:	Tommy Jordan, Board Member
AYES:	Smoak, Eudy, Cain, Thomas, Marshall, Jordan, Edgerton, Gibson, Jordan, Harbeson, Small, Drye, Robinson, Hinson, Leggett
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A. 3-03-22 HHS Meeting Minutes

Public Comments

There were no public comments made.

Adjournment

With no further business, Chair Jann Lowder declared the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.