

**Alamance County Board of Health
Burlington, NC 27217**

**Tuesday, March 16, 2021, 6:30 pm
County Annex Building
201 W. Elm Street
Graham NC, 27253
(meal will be served at 6:00 pm)**

Board of Health Regular Meeting

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order and Introductions – Mr. Troy King, Chair
- II. Approval of the Agenda- Mr. Troy King, Chair
- III. Approval of items on Consent Agenda- Mr. Troy King, Chair
 - A. February 16, 2021 Board of Health Minutes
 - B. Personnel Report
- IV. New Business
 - A. BOH Applicant Discussion- Dr. Karin Minter
 - B. Appointment of Interview Committee for BOH Applicant- Mr. Troy King
- V. Health Director Report- Mr. Tony Lo Giudice
- VI. Other
- VII. Adjournment

Reminders:

The next regular meeting of the Board of Health is **Tuesday April 20, 2021 at 6:30 pm** , the meal will be served at 6:00pm.

ALAMANCE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Health

March 16, 2021

The Alamance County Board of Health met at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at the County Annex building located at 201 W. Elm Street Graham, North Carolina and via Zoom.

The following board members were physically present: Chair Troy King, Vice Chair Marielena Castaneda, Commissioner Lashley, Mr. Richard Blanchard and Dr. Karin Minter.

The following board members attended over Zoom: Dr. Annette Wilson

The following staff members were physically present: Mr. Tony Lo Giudice and Ms. Janna Elliott .

The following guests attended over Zoom: Ms. Andrea Rollins from the Finance Department and Lori Denberg from FOX8 was logged onto Zoom but did not respond when introductions were made.

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Board of Health Chair, Mr. Troy King called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. All board members, staff and guests introduced themselves.

II. Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Minter made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Blanchard seconded the motion. Those who participated over Zoom stated their name and their vote. All members approved the agenda unanimously.

III. Approval of Consent Agenda

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| A. | February 16, 2021 Board of Health Minutes |
| B. | Personnel Report |

Dr. Minter made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Mr. Blanchard seconded the motion. Those who participated over Zoom stated their name and their vote. All members approved the consent agenda unanimously.

IV. New Business

A. Discussion on BOH Applicant

Dr. Minter shared that she and Ms. Eleanor Rodriguez Rassi met with Saini Raj Kundapati on Zoom. Dr. Minter gave the board of health an overview on the applicant and details of him from the interview. She shared that he would bring a unique perspective to the board and would be very valuable. Ms. Castaneda knows Saini Raj Kundapati professionally and stated that he would be a great addition to the Board of Health.

B. Appointment of Interview Committee for BOH Applicant

Another application was submitted to serve on the Board of Health. Since the position is still vacant, the interview committee will interview this applicant as well. Mr. Troy King stated that the same interview committee would meet with the newest applicant and provide information to the board of health to make a recommendation at the April Board of Health meeting.

V. Health Director's Report

Mr. Lo Giudice congratulated Environmental Health employee Tara Hart as she has been promoted to the Quality Assurance Specialist position in Environmental Health. He discussed that improvement permits are still 9 weeks out and the goal is 6 weeks. Mr. Lo Giudice shared that the \$25,000 that was going to be used for Environmental Health staff overtime will be used to hire contract registered environmental health specialist to work weekends and after hours to help get that work done.

He shared that health department clinical services are still running smoothly with minimal staff. Mr. Lo Giudice shared that he was asked to present about public health to a local Lutheran church.


Mr. Lo Giudice stated how proud he was of the hardworking health department staff, community partners and volunteers involved in the COVID-19 vaccination clinics and those maintaining clinical services at the health department. He shared that the second dose vaccine site has closed at the stadium and is now operating at the Eric Lane site. He reported that COVID-19 cases, active cases, new cases per 100,000 population and hospitalizations have all decreased in Alamance County. Mr. Lo Giudice reported the current clusters and outbreaks in Alamance County. Mr. Lo Giudice discussed COVID-19 related deaths in 2021. He shared that in Alamance County currently 31,945 individuals have been partially vaccinated, 19,347 individuals have been fully vaccinated. Almost 25% of the vaccination eligible population have been vaccinated in Alamance County. Mr. Lo Giudice shared that 75% of individuals 65 and older have been vaccinated in Alamance County. To date the health department has been allotted 15,435 first doses and has administered 16,592. The total amount of second doses received has been 11,935 and 11,382 doses administered. Starting March 17 the health department will open up vaccination appointments to Group 4, which includes individuals aged 16-64 with high risk medical conditions. The weekly allotment of vaccines has been 1,170 Pfizer and 400 Moderna. He shared that Greensboro's Federal Vaccine Site opened on March 10 serving 3,000 individuals per day. Cone Health will be opening the Dream Center vaccination site and offering more evening appointments for vaccinations. Individuals in the 27217, 27215 and 27253 area codes will be receiving information in the mail (in English and Spanish) about the COVID-19 vaccine and how to make an appointment when it is their turn for the vaccine. There has been a lot of outreach done in regards to the COVID-19 vaccine to African American churches, outreach to individuals who identify as African American or Hispanic ethnicity who have tested positive previously, and various ads in English and Spanish newspapers.

VI. Other

No other business was discussed.

VII. Adjournment

With no further business discussed, at 7:01 pm Mr. Blanchard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Lashley seconded the motion. Those who participated over Zoom stated their name and their vote. All members approved unanimously.



Mr. Troy King, Chair



Mr. Tony Lo Giudice, Secretary