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Board:

## Minutes of the October 12, 2017 meeting of the South Carolina Board of Health and Environmental Control

The South Carolina Board of Health and Environmental Control met on Thursday, October 12, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room at the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina. (Attachment 0-1)

The following members were in attendance:

Allen Amsler, Member-at-Large Ann B. Kirol, DDS, Vice Chair, 5th District L. Clarence Batts, Secretary, 4th District R. Kenyon Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> District David W. Gillespie, MD, 6th District

Via Telephone Charles M. Joye, II, P.E., 3rd District

1st District and 7th District seats are currently vacant.

Also in attendance were David E. Wilson, Acting Director; W. Marshall Taylor, Legal Counsel; Lisa Lucas Longshore, Clerk; Department staff and members of the public. (Attachment 0-2) The meeting was live streamed on the internet.

Chairman Allen Amsler called the meeting to order and stated notice of this meeting had been provided to all persons, organizations and news media, which have requested notification, as required by Section 30-4-80(e) of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

### Item 1: Minutes of the September 7 meeting (Attachment 1-1)

Mr. Batts moved, seconded by Dr. Gillespie, to approve the minutes for September 7 as presented. The Board voted and Motion carried.

## Item 2: Administrative Orders, Consent Orders and Sanction Letters issued by Health **Regulation** (Attachment 2-1)

Mr. Thomas Bowen, Senior Consultant, Health Regulation Policy and Communications, stated four (4) Consent Orders and one (1) Emergency Suspension Order had been issued with total assessed penalties of \$39,600.

After discussion, the Board accepted this item as information.

# <u>Item 3: Administrative Orders and Consent Orders issued by Environmental Affairs</u> (Attachment 3-1)

Ms. Robin Stephens, Compliance Assistance and Enforcement, Environmental Affairs, stated four (4) Administrative Orders, four (4) Consent Agreements and seventy-nine (79) Consent Orders had been issued with total penalties of \$150,345.

After discussion, *the Board accepted this item as information*.

# <u>Item #4: Approval of two new members for Hospital Infection Disclosure Act (HIDA) Advisory</u> <u>Committee</u> (Attachment 4-1)

Ms. Nijika Shrivastwa, Healthcare Associated Infections Coordinator, Bureau of Disease Control, presented this item to the Board.

### S.C. Code Section 44-7-2430 (C) states, in part:

- (1) The Board of Health and Environmental Control shall appoint an advisory committee that must have an equal number of members representing all involved parties. The board shall seek recommendations for appointments to the advisory committee from organizations that represent the interests of hospitals, consumers, businesses, purchasers of health care services, physicians, and other professionals involved in the research and control of infections.
- (2) The advisory committee shall assist the department in the development of all aspects of the department's methodology for collecting, analyzing, and disclosing the information collected under this article, including collection methods, formatting, and methods and means for release and dissemination of this information.

The Board of the Palmetto Chapter of the Association for Professionals in Infection (APIC Palmetto) nominated the following to serve on the HIDA Advisory Committee:

Ms. Boeker holds a Master of Science in Nursing from Michigan State University, East Lansing, Ml. Ms. Boeker has 22 years of experience at a large University Medical Center. Currently, she serves in a dual role as Manager of Respiratory Care Services (2003), and Infection Prevention (2006) in Greenville Health System (GHS), North Greenville LTAC Hospital (NGH). She has extensive experience in quality improvement projects, and serves as a lead facilitator for numerous initiatives resulting in substantial infection rate reductions and improved patient safety outcomes. She obtained certification in Infection Prevention and Control in 2006, and was re-certified in 2012 and 2016. She authored and co-authored several research abstracts and papers, and presented in numerous professional forums at the local and regional level.

Ms. Ann Pope North received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from Georgia Health Sciences University, Augusta, Georgia in 1976, and a Master of Science in Nursing from Emory University in 2006. Ms. North has a proven track record of being committed to patient safety and improved patient outcomes utilizing evidence-based and best practices. She is currently the Director of Infection Prevention and Control at Carolinas Hospital System, Florence. Ms. North was recipient of Palmetto Gold Award for nursing excellence in 2017.

After discussion, *Mr. Batts moved, seconded by Dr. Gillespie, to appoint Sue Boeker and Ann North to the Hospital Infection Disclosure Act Advisory Committee. The Board voted and Motion carried.* 

Item #5: Notice of Proposed Regulation amending R.61-63, Radioactive Materials (Title A), Legislative Review is not required (Attachment 5-1)

Mr. Aaron Gantt, Chief, Bureau of Radiological Health, presented this item to the Board.

The Federal Atomic Energy Act of 1954 enables the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("Commission") to enter into agreements with state governors allowing for state regulation of byproduct, source, and special nuclear materials. The Commission enters into such agreements if it finds the state regulatory program is in compliance with applicable federal regulations.

To renew South Carolina's ongoing agreement with the Commission, the Bureau requests approval to amend Regulation 61-63, ensuring state standards comply with the Commission's regulatory updates. The proposed amendments update Parts II, V, VII and XII of the regulation.

After discussion, **Dr. Gillespie moved, seconded by Mr. Batts, to grant approval to publish the**Notice of Proposed Regulation amending R.61-63, Radioactive Material (Title A), in the State
Register, to provide opportunity for public comment, to receive and consider comments, and allow
staff to proceed with a public hearing before the Board. The Board voted and Motion carried.

## **Item 6: Agency Affairs**

No report.

Chairman Amsler asked for a Motion for an Executive Session for the discussion of a personnel matter. *Dr. Gillespie moved, seconded by Mr. Batts, to go into Executive Session. The Board voted and Motion carried.* 

Chairman Amsler announced the Board was back in public session and while in Executive Session, no actions were taken.

Being no further business, Chairman Amsler adjourned the meeting.

All referenced attachments are made a permanent part of these minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Clarence Batts, Jr., Secretary

Minutes approved this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017.

ATTEST:

Allen Amsler, Chairman

#### Attachments

- 0-1 Agenda
- 0-2 Attendance Roster
- 1-1 Minutes of September 7, 2017
- 2-1 Administrative Orders, Consent Orders and Sanction Letters issued by Health Regulation
- 3-1 Administrative Orders and Consent Orders issued by Environmental Affairs
- 4-1 Approval of two new members for the Hospital Infection Disclosure Act Advisory Committee
- 5-1 Notice of Proposed Regulation, R.61-63, Radioactive Material (Title A)