

**Fulton County Board Of Health (FBOH)
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 26, 2022
10:30A.M.**

Via ZOOM Teleconference: +1 646 558 8656 US: Meeting ID: 826 5571 1199

Board Members Present

BOH Chair Jack Hardin
BOH Vice Chair Renay Blumenthal
Secretary Lynne Meadows
BOC Chairman Robb Pitts
Dr. Kathi Amille Earles

Board Members Absent

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Fulton County Board of Health was called to order by Chairman Jack Hardin at 10:32am. This meeting is continuing in the teleconference format due to the ongoing COVID-19 emergency conditions in the area.

II. OLD BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Board Meeting of October 27, 2021

Mr. Hardin, asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board meeting of October 27, 2021. Ms. Blumenthal moved the approval and Dr. Kathi Earles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

All Members in Favor: Hardin, Blumenthal, Meadows, Pitts, and Kathi A. Earles.

All Members Against: None.

Abstentions: None

III. NEW BUSINESS

Call for Public Comment

No public comments were reported.

DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S BOARD REPORT

District Health Director, Lynn A. Paxton opened the meeting by announcing that Darryl Carver has accepted the position as the FCBOH Communication's Director, and welcomed him aboard. Dr. Paxton provided a PowerPoint presentation providing data on the COVID cases, and Vaccines for Fulton County. The presentation reported as follows:

- The COVID-19 presentation information is gathered from the Epidemiology report that comes out once a week and is widely available for review.
- As of January 19, 2022 Fulton County recorded 163,744 confirmed cases, and 27,160 probable cases of COVID-19.
- The CDC Incident Response Update report provided the percentage of COVID cases from Low to High transmission. Dr. Paxton stated that although we are more than 7 times above the percentage that is considered to be a high transmission, we are still in a period of high transmission in which mask should still be worn.
- Fulton County Vaccination Case Data reports there are currently 602,159 fully vaccinated residents in Fulton County, of which 4% have been confirmed cases of COVID-19 since 12/31/20. Of the 464,551 partially vaccinated or unvaccinated Fulton County residents, 17% have been confirmed case of Covid-19 since 12/31/20.
- Since July 01, 2021 Fulton County has reported 75,362 new confirmed Covid-19 cases. 65% of these new cases occurred in unvaccinated individuals, and 35% of these new cases occurred in fully vaccinates individuals.
- The CDC has shortened quarantine guidance and recommended use of N95 and KN95 masks for all. Free masks now available at participating pharmacies. Home rapid test kits are now available via www.covidtest.gov website.

Budget Updates

Tarsha Bowie, Finance Director provided a report on the FCBOH FY22 funding sources for the 1st and 2nd quarter.

- Beverly Stanley expounded on the salary supplements when staff leave the FCBOH, Fulton County is not responsible for the salary supplement for the new staff that FCBOH hires.
- FCBOH leaders are looking at how to spend funds down without having to send any funds back to the State. Some of things that is being look at is outreach, advertisement, and community awareness of the type of services we offer at the FCBOH.
- Beverly announced during the next All Hands meeting having a survey monkey to identify what the FCBOH leaders can do to help staff.
- Beverly announced that FCBOH has secured parking for the 10 Park Place staff at a rate of \$30.00 a month whom initially had being paying \$90 or more a month.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board recessed to a closed Executive Session to consider matters of personnel, litigation, and/or real estate.

Regular meeting was adjourned for board to attend Executive Session at 11:49am. The Board returned to the Regular meeting at 12pm.

Mr. Hardin called for a vote on Executive Session agenda item number one. Chairman Pitts moved approval of the item and Dr. Kathi Earles seconded.

All Members in Favor: Hardin, Blumenthal, Meadows, Pitts, and Kathi A. Earles.
All Members Against: None
Abstentions: None

V. BOARD COMMENT

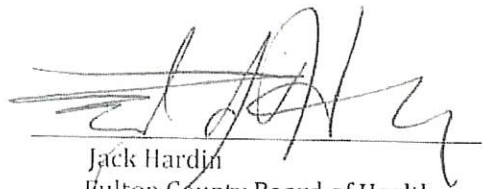
- a) Lynn Meadows personally thanked Fulton County Board for all their work and support through this time of the Pandemic, indicating Fulton County Schools could not have been so successful in many of their COVID Initiatives without the coordination and partnership with FCBOH including providing COVID-19 vaccination opportunities, testing, and guidance.
- b) Jack Hardin stated under the statutes that govern the BOH, the largest municipality in the county, in this case City of Atlanta, has the right to representation on the board. The previous board member who served in that position is no longer on the board and we are in communication with the new Mayor of Atlanta to have him join or appoint a new member to the board.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The board convened its regular meeting at 12:03pm



Lynn A. Paxton, M.D., M.P.H.
Fulton County Board of Health
District Health Director



Jack Hardin
Fulton County Board of Health
Chairman