

**Hart County Board of Health  
Regular Meeting  
November 12, 2015  
1:00 pm  
Hart County DFCS Conference Room**

**BOH Members Present:** Thelma Estrich, Arthur Craft, Paul Abernathy, Dr. Lau and Clyde McDowell

**District Staff:** Dr. Westfall, Edie Parsons, Tasha Gubernath, Jon Terry and Karen Palmer

**Health Department Staff:** Rhonda Dyar, David Leard and Jill Garland

The regular meeting of the Hart County Board of Health was held on Thursday, November 12, 2015 in the conference room of the Hart County DFCS office.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairperson Clyde McDowell

**Approval of minutes for August 13, 2015 BOH Meeting**

Motion to accept by Arthur Craft, seconded by Paul Abernathy. Motion carried, all in favor.

**Old Business:** Clyde McDowell noted no issues other than ongoing nursing cases.

**New Business:** Motion was made by Paul Abernathy to approve the Hart County Health Department to be closed Thursday, December 3, 2015 for Staff Appreciation. Motion was seconded by Clyde McDowell. All in favor, motion carried.

**Environmental Health:** David Leard gave the Environmental Health Report. See attached report.

**Nursing:** Rhonda Dyar gave the Nursing Report. Rhonda reported that the Health Department is still administering flu vaccinations. Nursing staff have administered a total of 789 vaccines throughout the community through off-site clinics, with 566 of those being within the public school system. New active TB cases continue to be discovered and investigated. The newest cases are INH resistant.

**Financial Report:** Tasha Gubernath gave the Financial Report. See attached reports.

**Public Health 101:** Rhonda Dyar gave a slide show presentation about TB. See attached handouts.

**Comments from the Health Director:** Dr. Westfall discussed "Closing the 30 Million-Word Gap". See attached handout. Dr. Westfall also discussed ongoing concerns of tobacco use and the efforts of multiple agencies to support S.2100 – Tobacco to 21 Act.

**Announcements:** None.

Clyde McDowell made the motion to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

  
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Clyde McDowell, Chairman

  
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