

**Health Commission
City of Stamford
DRAFT MINUTES
February 14, 2013**

Commissioners Present: Dr. Barbara Decker, Ms. Patricia Parry, Dr. Bert Ballin, and Dr. Philip Corvo

Guests Attended: Ms. Anne Fountain, Director of Health & Social Services, Ms. Pam Scott, Recording Secretary, Mr. Dennis Torres, Director, Family Centers-School Based Health Center

Meeting called to order		Dr. Decker called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.
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Additional Agenda Items:	Dr. Decker requested the following items to be added to the agenda: • Board of Representative follow up letter • Snow storm • Guards at schools • Walkability • Ms. Parry follow-up	Ms. Parry moved to add the items to the agenda; Dr. Ballin seconded. Approved unanimously.
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Minutes:

Minutes of January 10, 2013	Minutes from the January 10, 2013, meeting was reviewed.	Dr. Corvo moved to approve January 10, 2013 minutes with corrections. Ms. Parry seconded. Approved unanimously.
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Correspondence:

There was no correspondence		
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Director of Health

Dennis Torres, Director Family Centers – School Based Health Centers	Mr. Torres gave an overview to the HC of the services and locations of the SBHC clinics. The SBHC program is committed to the delivery of quality health services at school based health centers that use a multi-disciplinary team approach to provide comprehensive physical, dental and mental health treatment to children enrolled.	The HC thanked Mr. Torres for the hard work done with the clinics.
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Locations:

- Stamford High School
- Westhill High School (includes dental services)
- Dolan Middle School (Toquam Elementary adjacent)
- William Pitt Child Development Center
- Rippowam Middle School/ AITE High School
- Kids in Crisis TLC Clinic (sale of services)

Staffing:

6 Nurse Practitioners
4 Social Workers
4 Office Support Staff
1 Dentist
1 Dental Assistant
1 Dental Hygienist
1 Psychiatrist (contractual)
1 Psychologist (contractual)

HOW MUCH DID WE DO (2012 School Year)?

- 4008 Students Enrolled Overall
- Total Served: 1,292 students unduplicated served (For each discipline: SW:359, Dental:301 and NP: 989).
- Gender: Male: 42%; Female: 58%
- Ages 0-5: 8%, Ages 6-13: 23%, Ages 14-16: 37%, Ages 17-20: 32%
- Race/Ethnicity: African-American/Descent: 33%, Hispanic: 31%, White: 30%, Other: 6%
- Nurse Practitioner Visits: 2,774
- Social Work Visits: 2,546
- Dental Visits: 562

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	• 18 ongoing Health Education and Wellness groups conducted. • 165 Health and Wellness Presentations conducted with 8,318 students and 1,334 parents Supervision: Social Workers with Emily Segal, LCSW (Harry Adomokis, PhD monthly); Nurse Practitioners are clinically supervised by Terry Harrison, APRN and collaborate with Medical Director, Kathie Nurena, MD Ms. Parry asked Mr. Torres to provide the HC the trends of his program from year-to-year.	
Director Anne Fountain	Ms. Fountain informed the Commission of the following items: • Today – Healthy Heart presentation at Government Center Cafeteria • February 26, 2013 – Black History Month celebration at UCONN • March 17, 2013 – Shamrock Friend Run • May 2, 2013 – Mill River grand opening Well testing Ordinance was extended two years. The HD works collaboratively with Police, Zoning and Fire regarding Illegal Massage Parlors.	

Appeal:

There were no appeals		
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Old Business:

There were no old business		
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New Business:

Snow storm	Dr. Decker expressed her appreciation with how the COS handled the storm.	
Guards at Schools	Dr. Decker asked the commissioners their opinions about the article in <i>Stamford Advocate</i> regarding guards at schools. A brief discussion followed; many offered their personal opinions.	
Crossing Guards	Ms. Parry noted; Mr. Jankowski said he would follow up on the HC question regarding what school crossing guards are told, and what they are supposed to do. Mr. Jankowski would find out what Crossing Guards are told or if there are instructions.	
Walkability	Dr. Decker stated that the walking discussions are moving along. She will be attending the Westside Revitalization Committee meeting on Tuesday, where she will participate in a discussion about walking. Dr. Decker informed the HC of an upcoming conference in April on the prevention of childhood obesity. She will keep the HC posted on the date. There was a discussion about who in the COS that is working on the walkability. Dr. Decker responded that there are several city agencies and community groups; such as the Planning and the Planning & Zoning Board, as well as several studies of roads in Stamford with an eye to walkability and safe pedestrian and automobile traffic.	
Ms. Parry follow-up - draft letter to the BOR	Ms. Parry presented a copy of a draft letter to the BOR inquiring about the empty lot on Liberty Street. She noted that the HC needs more information on this property.	Anne Fountain will try to find out who owns the property; she will forward that information to the HC when she gets it.

Executive Session:

There was no executive session		
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Adjournment:

There being no further business, Ms. Parry moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

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Submitted by,

Pam Scott

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Recording Secretary

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