The Lowndes County Board of Health met at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at the South Health District Office.

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| **Members Present** | **Members Absent** | **Others Present** |
| Dr. Mark Eanes, Chairman | Dr. Mary Margaret Richardson, Vice-Chairman | Dr. William R. Grow |
| Bill Slaughter (By Phone) | Wes Taylor | Dwain Butler |
| Mayor Scott Matheson | Dr. Randall Smith | Patrina Bowles |
| Bill Slaughter |  | Teresa Giles |
|  |  | Allie Pridgen |
|  |  | Kim Davis |
|  |  | Dexter Dudley |
|  |  | Kyle Coppage |
|  |  | Maria Rodriguez |

**Call to Order**

* Dr. Eanes called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

**Public Comments**

* There were no public comments.

**Approval of February 3, 2022 Minutes (Attached)**

* The minutes from the February 3, 2022 meeting were approved as presented with no opposition.

**Business**

**Financial Information – Teresa Giles (Attached)**

* Ms. Giles presented the Lowndes County Board of Health’s Revenue and Expense Summary, noting Lowndes is through 67% of the budget as of March 2022.
* The Lowndes County Health Department’s FY2023 Budget was presented totaling $5,883,136. Approximately $125,000 of the fund balance will be used to balance the budget; however, that amount could be revised. Dr. Grow noted fees were able to be collected in spite of COVID activities.

**(Bill Slaughter enters the meeting by phone at 12:15 p.m.)**

* After a brief discussion, Dr. Brown made a motion to approve the Lowndes County Health Department’s FY2023 Budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Mayor Matheson. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**Public Health Updates – William R. Grow, MD, FACP (Attached)**

* Providing the most current COVID update, Dr. Grow noted no deaths occurred in Lowndes in the last two months.
* The Lowndes community has received 112,000 doses of COVID vaccine, resulting in 43% of the population receiving at least one dose and 39% being fully vaccinated.
* Masks are still required in clinical settings at the health departments.
* The Board was invited to attend the District’s Legislative Breakfast tentatively scheduled for October 21, 2022 at the District Office.

**Nurse Manager’s Report – Kim Davis, RN (Attached)**

* Ms. Davis provided a summary of school flu and community vaccination activities.
* Health department services have increased since the last meeting.
* Ms. Davis explained the car seat program to the Board.

**Environmental Health Update – Kyle Coppage (Attached)**

* Mr. Coppage presented Environmental Health’s activities since the last meeting.
* Staff are on pace to complete all state-mandated inspections.

**Announcements**

* Dr. Grow called the remaining meetings and the state holiday schedule to the Board’s attention.

**Adjournment**

* There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dr. Randall Smith, Board Secretary

Patrina Bowles, Typist