NC State Board of Environmental Health Specialist Examiners

Minutes of December 7, 2018 Board Meeting

The North Carolina State Board of Environmental Health Specialist Examiners met on Friday, December 7, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in the Eagle Room, Building 3, third-floor Environmental Health Training Room at the NC Health & Human Services Campus, 5605 Six Forks Road, Raleigh, NC 27699. A call-in number was available. Those in attendance, either in person or via telephone were Board members, Chair Phil Thompson, Greg Caulder, Lisa Halbedl, Carl Kivett, Larry Michael, Andrew Morgan, Daniel Ortiz, Seth Swift, and Board Assistant Donna Coffey. Jeffrey Kerr of Marlin Wastewater Services in Moore County, NC attended the meeting.

<u>Called to Order</u> – Chair Phil Thompson called the meeting to order at 11:08 a.m.

Board Action. <u>Drew Morgan made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.</u> <u>Greg Caulder</u> seconded the motion. All votes affirmative.

Conflict of Interest Statement

Chair Phil Thompson reminded Board members to recuse themselves when action on a staff member, family, or friend is under consideration by the Board. He also reminded Board members that they should refrain from participation in any discussions in which they may have a potential or existing conflict of interest.

Executive Order No. 34 from Governor Bev Perdue

The Chair reminded board members of Executive Order No. 34 from Governor Perdue requiring appointees to attend at least 75 percent of the board's regularly scheduled meetings.

Chair Report – Phil Thompson

No report.

Vice-Chair Report – Larry Michael

No report.

<u>Secretary/Treasurer Report – Carl Kivett</u> No report.

Minutes – Donna Coffey

Donna presented the July 19, 2018 regular meeting minutes for approval.

Board Action: Drew Morgan made a motion to approve the July 19, 2018 regular meeting minutes as presented. Jessica Silver seconded the motion. All votes affirmative.

Donna presented the October 25, 2018 regular meeting minutes for approval.

Board Action: Lisa Halbedl made a motion to approve the October 25, 2018 regular meeting minutes as presented. Larry Michael seconded the motion. All votes affirmative.

Financial Report – Donna Coffey

Donna reported that Board revenues and expenditures are on target with current year budget. She also reported the following Cash and Investments balances:

Cash and Investments 12/5/2018

Checking, Share and Money Market Share Accounts

Checking Money Market Share	0.25% 1.50% 0.75%	\$8,197.25 \$76,712.96 \$37.51
Total Checking, Share & Money Market Accounts		\$84,947.72
Short Term Investment Fund (STIF) with NC Department of State Treasurer	1.45%	\$13,593.42
Total Cash and Investments		\$98,541.14

Board Action. This report was for information only; no action required.

Administrative Assistant to the Board's Report – Donna Coffey

No report

Education Committee Report – Daniel Ortiz

Daniel Ortiz presented the December 7, 2018 Education Committee Report.

Interns for Approval

Intern	#	Employer	Application Category
1. Horvath; Matthew Ryan	2789	Wake	Regular, 2-year
2. Bailey; Rena Nicole	2790	Wake	Regular, 2-year
3. Black; Sarah James	2791	Wake	Regular, 2-year
4. Gunter; Margaret Ann	2792	Wake	Regular, 2-year
5. Sabby; Patricia Hoyos	2793	Wake	Regular, 2-year
6. Howell; Cameron Renee	2794	Lenoir	Regular, 2-year
7. Murphy; Victoria	2795	Forsyth	Regular, 2-year
8. Whetstine; Kevin Thomas	2796	Lincoln	Previous Qualifying NC Experience (passed NC REHS exam in 2005; practiced for 6 ½ years (2003-2010)) ⁽¹⁾
9. Lone; Adam	2797	Lincoln	Regular, 2-year

10.	Oliver; Alva Maria	2798	Cumberland	Regular, 2-year
11.	Bradsher; Jacob P	2799	Person	Regular, 2-year

² Based on (1) passing exam in 2005 and (2) previous practice of 6 ½ years practicing EH in NC, Education Committee recommends Board approve fast tracking to full REHS status upon Mr. Whetstine's successful completion of Centralized Intern Training in 2019. Full status approval to come to Board after confirmation of CIT completion.

Education Committee Recommendation: Approve NC REHS Intern status for individuals as presented with effective date 12/7/18.

Interns Eligible for REHS Status

	Intern	#	Employer	Effective Date
1.	Gore; Jason Scott	2611	Brunswick	12/15/18
2.	Smith; Virginia Scott	2612	Stanly	12/15/18
3.	Parker; Perry Lemonde	2708	Sampson	10/26/18
4.	Norman; Sara	2592	Surry	10/27/18

Education Committee Recommendation: Approve full NC REHS status for individuals as presented.

2018 Continuing Education Requests

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	Additional information needed, course status = Pending ("P" in Hrs App'd Column = Pending) Course denied ("D" in Hrs App'd Column = Denied) Course modified by Board after original approval date (examples include change location & dates from specific to various								
	among others)	nciude change location	a dates from specific to various						
	Course withdrawn or amended by applicant								
Course #	Name of Education/Training	Submitted By	Organization Sponsor	City	State	Start Date	End Date	Hrs Req'd	
2018 Non-CIT		-	1	1					
18128	Central NC EH Health Supervisor Quarterly Meeting	Wyatt, Angela	CNCEHSA	Pittsboro	NC	12/7/18	12/7/18	3.00	
18129	Mountain EH District - 3rd Quarter Educational Meeting	Monteith, Travis	Mountain EH District	Sylva	NC	9/19/18	9/19/18	5.00	
18130	2018 Southeast FDA Retail Food Safety Seminar	Moore, Jennifer	FDA	Charleston	SC	10/16/18	10/18/18	16.25	
18131	Managing Pests Safely #2	Various	Various	Various		Various	Various	6.25	
18132	NEHA Annual Educational Conference	Pink, Kathryn	NEHA	Anaheim	CA	6/25/18	6/28/18	20.00	
18133	North Central EH District 4th Quarterly Meeting	Kim, Brandi	North Central EH District	Burlington	NC	11/15/18	11/15/18	4.25	
18134	OCEH Waterwater System Installer & Operator Education	Hudson, Victoria	Orange County HD	Hillsborough	NC	11/15/18	11/15/18	6.00	
18135	Wake County Efforts to Protect Private Well Users from Contamination	Dye, Samantha	NC Water Resources Association	Raleigh	NC	2/5/18	2/5/18	2.00	
18137	Central NC EH Health Supervisor Quarterly Meeting	Wyatt, Angela	CNCEHSA	Thomasville	NC	10/26/18	10/26/18	3.00	
18138	West Piedmont EHS Meeting	Zimmerman, Tonya	West Piedmont EHS	Concord	NC	11/29/18	11/29/18	4.00	
18139	South Eastern District EH Meeting	Osborne, Mark	South Eastern District EH	Wilmington	NC	12/6/18	12/6/18	5.00	
18140	Central Regional Preparedness Coordinators Meeting #1	Lowry, Anne	NCPHP&R	Pittsboro	NC	2/15/18	2/15/18	4.00	
18141	Central Regional Preparedness Coordinators Meeting #2	Lowry, Anne	NCPHP&R	Pittsboro	NC	6/21/18	6/21/18	4.00	
18142	Central Regional Preparedness Coordinators Meeting #3	Lowry, Anne	NCPHP&R	Pittsboro	NC	8/16/18	8/16/18	4.50	
18143	Contaminating Incident Tabletop Exercise	Little, Roland	NCPHP&R	Greenville	NC	11/1/18	11/1/18	5.00	
18144	NCSWEOA Winter Workshop Series: Program I	Barnette, Minor	NCSWEOA	Asheville	NC	12/6/18	12/6/18	6.25	
18145	NCSWEOA Winter Workshop Series: Program II	Barnette, Minor	NCSWEOA	Hickory	NC	12/6/18	12/6/18	6.25	
18146	NCDOT Level 1 Erosion & Sediment Control/Stormwater	Alcock, Alan	NCSU	Raleigh	NC	6/7/18	6/7/18	4.00	
18147	NCDOT Level 2 Erosion & Sediment Control/Stormwater Site Management	Alcock, Alan	NCSU	Raleigh	NC	6/6/18	6/6/18	4.00	
18148	AFDOSS 2018 Annual Conference	Lombardi, Melissa	AFDOSS	Gatlinburg	TN	9/9/18	9/12/18	15.00	
18149	EEK/Vectors & Public Health Pests	Harrison, William	NEHA	Online		5/15/18	5/16/18	20.00	
18150	NCPHA Fall Conference	Ortiz, Daniel	NCPHA	Charlotte	NC	12/11/18	12/14/18	8.75	
18151	Asbestos Inspector Initial Training Course	Hester, Jarwin	El Group	Morrisville	NC	4/16/18	4/18/18	24.00	
18152	2018 NC Hazardous Waste Compliance Workshop	Hester, Jarwin	NC Manufacturers Alliance	Greensboro	NC	5/10/18	5/10/18	8.00	
18153	FD378 - Preventive Controls for Grade "A: Dairy Plant Regulators	Dennis, Michael	ORAU - FDA	Washington	DC	11/5/18	11/8/18	32.00	
18154	Food Safety Preventive Controls Alliance (FSPCA) Course	Dennis, Michael	NCSU	Winston- Salem	NC	6/20/18	6/22/18	18.25	
18155	FD 577 Special Problems in Milk Protection Course	Dennis, Michael	ORAU - FDA	Burlington	VT	5/7/18	5/11/18	33.50	
18156	HTST Equipment Controls & Tests	Wood, Chuck	NCSU	Raleigh	NC	11/14/18	11/15/18	10.00	
18157	Better Process Control School	Pierce, Cheryl	University of Nebraska	Lincoln	NE	9/25/18	9/27/18	18.50	
18158	Global Food Safety Initiative 2018 Annual Conference	Lasic, Dan	Global Food Safety Initiative	Tokyo	Japan	3/5/18	3/8/18	26.00	
18159	Lecture: "A Passion for Dirty Water: Septic Detectives, Wastewater Treatment Plants,"	Wooten, James	UNC Coastal Studies Institute	Wanchese	NC	11/7/18	11/7/18	1.50	

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18160	Slope Stabilization & Landslide Prevention	Wallace, Karen	Halfmoon Educaiton	Asheville	NC	11/16/18	11/16/18	7.00
18161	1 NC Ethics Commission's Ethics Education & Lobbying Awareness Online Training Stanley, David		NC Ethics Commission	Online		Online	Online	2.00
18162 2018 National Air Quality Conference		Barnette, Minor	US EPA/Assoc of Air Pollution Control Agencies/National Assoc Clean Air Agencies	Austin	тх	1/24/18	1/26/18	18.25
18163	2018 Spring Meeting	Barnette, Minor	Assoc of Air Pollution Control Agencies	Lexington	KY	4/4/18	4/6/18	12.75
18164	Fall 2018 Technical Workshop & Forum	Barnette, Minor	Carolinas Air Pollution Control Assoc	Myrtle Beach	SC	10/24/18	10/26/18	11.00
18165	Spring 2018 Technical Conference	Barnette, Minor	Carolinas Air Pollution Control Assoc	Asheville	NC	4/11/18	4/13/18	11.00
18166	Air Quality Monitoring 101	Barnette, Minor	Carolinas Air Pollution Control Assoc	Asheville	NC	4/11/18	4/11/18	2.50
18167	Florida Association for Food Protection	Taylor, Todd	FAFP (ICFP)	St Petersburg	FL	5/22/18	5/24/18	11.50
18168	NoroCORE Final Showcase Meeting	Hall, Alexandra	NoroCORE	Atlanta	GA	3/19/18	3/21/18	10.00
18169	2018 Drinking Water Rules & Regulations Seminar	Harvell, Dianne	NC American Water Works Assoc & Water Environment Assoc	Raleigh	NC	7/26/18	7/26/18	6.00
2019 Non-CIT (Continuing Ed							
19001	Soil Science Society of NC Annual Meeting	Vaughan, Jeff	Soil Science Society of NC	Raleigh	NC	1/22/19	1/23/19	11.00
19002	Virginia Water Well Association 2019 Winter Conference	Morgan, Andrew	Virginia Water Well Association	Fredericksburg	NC	2/20/19	2/21/19	9.00
19003	2019 Insecticide Resistance Training Workshop	Richards, Stephanie	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention & ECU	Greenville	NC	2/12/19	2/12/19	4.50

Board Action: Daniel Ortiz made a motion to approve the December 7, 2018 Education Committee Report as presented. Drew Morgan seconded. All votes affirmative.

Legislative Committee Report – Larry Michael

Larry Michael reported that the General Assembly's long session starts in January.

Board Action. This report was for information only; no action required.

NCREHS Exam Structure Changes

Donna reported that she continues to work closely with NEHA representatives, and things are on schedule to roll out the new process in early January 2019. She created the following chart to walk interns through the new application/exam process:

NCREHS Exam Overview

The NCREHS exam consists of three components – National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) standardized exam, face-to-face Board interview and handwritten essay. The NEHA portion of the exam is a timed electronic exam administered at a Pearson VUE testing center. The essay and interview portions are administered by the NC State Board of Environmental Health Specialist Examiners (Board) on specific dates throughout the year (see Board Calendar on www.ncrehs.com). The chart below offers additional information regarding the exam components.

Who is Eligible to Take the NCREHS Exam?	NCREHS Interns are eligible to take the NCREHS exam at any time after the Board has approved their initial registration application. They have a maximum of three years from the date of registration approval to pass the exam. (NOTE: Registration date is date Board approves registration application at a Board meeting; it is not the first date of employment.)							
	NEHA Exam		NCREHS Portion of Exam					
Description	Standardized online (via Pearson VUE computer only) timed exam consisting of 250 multiple-choice questions		Handwritten essay and face-to-face interview with Board					
Exam Logistics								
Administered by	Pearson VUE and NEHA		NCREHS Board					

2 hours

January)

Board specified location

Handwritten (essay) and face-to-face (interview)

Directly to NCREHS Board via application form

Board specified dates (calendar published annually in

Pearson VUE and NEHA	
4.25 hours (including a break)	
On Computer	
Pearson VUE Testing Center	
Directly to NCREHS Board via application form	
	A 25 hours (including a break) On Computer Pearson VUE Testing Center Date and location selected by Intern via Pearson VUE's scheduling calendar Directly to NCREHS Board via application form

Payment Information

Who to Pay	NCREHS Board		NCREHS Board
Cost	\$280 per exam date (determined by NEHA)		\$50 per exam date
	NCREHS Board approves Intern exam application and forwards Intern information to NEHA		NCREHS Board notifies Intern of application approval
	Within a few weeks, Intern will receive an exam authorization number and instructions via an email directly from Pearson VUE.		Intern reports to NCREHS testing location on designated date/time and completes the handwritten essay and face- to-face interview with Board members
	Intern works directly with Pearson VUE to schedule the exam at a local Pearson VUE testing Center (<i>NOTE:</i> <i>Intern has ONE YEAR from date of approval to take</i> <i>NEHA exam</i>)		NCREHS Board informs Intern of essay and interview scores approximately 4 weeks after exam date.
What Happens After Applying?	Intern reports to Pearson VUE Testing Center on designated date/time and takes exam		
	Intern informed of NEHA unofficial exam score at completion of exam (NOTE: NCREHS Passing score for NEHA Exam is 573)		
	NOTE: NCREHS passing score for the NEHA exam is 573 while NEHA's passing score is 650. There may be instances when an Intern does not meet the NEHA passing score yet does meet the NCREHS passing score.		
	NEHA reports <i>official</i> NEHA exam score to NCREHS Board, and NCREHS Board informs Intern of <i>official</i> score.		
When to Expect	4 Weeks		4 Weeks
Scores	Compiled Exam Score - Within 6 wee	ks (of completing all 3 exam components
	NCREHS Board uses a weighted average formula to dete the essay and interview scores each counting once.	ermii	ne exam scores with the NEHA score counting twice and
Exam Scoring	NCREHS Board Rules require Interns to score 60% or higoverall weighted average score of 70%.	gher	on each component part of the examination with an
	All 3 components of the exam, NEHA, essay and inter if the overall weighted average score is 70%.	viev	w, must be complete before the Board can determine
	Intern can retest after 90 days by reapplying to the NCREHS Board.		Intern can retest at any subsequent Board testing date
Retesting	No limit on number of times Intern may retest NOTE: NCREHS passing score for the NEHA exam is 573 while NEHA's passing score is 650. There may be instances when an Intern does not meet the NEHA passing score yet does meet the NCREHS passing		No limit on number of times Intern may retest
No Show or Cancel with Less than 24- Hour Notice	score. Forfeit \$280 exam cost	5	No additional charge

Board Action: Information item; no Board action required.

Slate of Board Appointments for Expiring Terms

Donna Coffey presented the slate of board appointments as recommended by NCPHA and NC Association of Local Health Directors.

NC State Board of Registered Environmental Health Specialist Examiners						
Board Approved Recommendations for Governor Cooper Appointment						
Per NC § 90A-55 (c), the Environmental Health Section of the North Carolina Public Health Association, Inc., shall submit a recommended list of Board member candidates to the Governor for the Governor's consideration in appointments, except for the two representatives of the Department of Health and Human Services recommended by the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the local health director recommended by the North Carolina Local Health Directors Association. The list below represents the recommendations as outlined in Statute for the NC State Board of Environmental Health Specialist Examiners. The Board unanimously approved the recommendations at its December 7, 2018 meeting.						
Board Seat	Recommendation					
Environmental Health Specialist, Western	Reappointment: Lisa Ford, Food and Lodging Coordinator, Surry County Environmental Health ⁽¹⁾					
Environmental Health Specialst, Western	Appointment: Felissa Vazquez, Food and Lodging Supervisor, Buncombe County Health & Human Services					
Environmental Health Specialist, Piedmont	Reappointment: Carl Kivett, Environmental Health Specialist, Chatham County Environmental Health					
Environmental Health Specialist, Piedmont	Reappointment: Andrew (Drew) Morgan, Staff - NC Well Contractors Certification Commission ⁽¹⁾					
Environmental Health Specialist, Eastern	Reappointment: Daniel Ortiz, Environmental Health Director, Mecklenburg County ⁽¹⁾					
6 Health Directors Appointment: Davin Madden, Health Director, Wayne County Health Department						
⁽¹⁾ NCPHA - EH Section Recor	mmendation					
⁽²⁾ NC Local Health Directors Recommendation						
	Board Approve Per NC § 90A-55 (c), the Envi Association, Inc., shall submit the Governor's consideration of Health and Human Services re- local health director recommended below represents the recommended recommendations at its Decommended Board Seat Environmental Health Specialist, Western Environmental Health Specialist, Western Environmental Health Specialist, Piedmont Environmental Health Specialist, Piedmont Environmental Health Specialist, Piedmont Environmental Health Specialist, Eastern Health Directors					

Motion:Lisa HalbedI made a motion to approve the Board appointment recommendations
as presented. Greg Caulder seconded the motion. All votes affirmative.

2019 Proposed Budget

Donna Coffey presented the 2019 proposed budget:

2019 Budget	
January through December 2019	
	Budget
1 Income	
2 Exam Receipts	
3 Exam Administration Fee	4,500.00
4 NEHA Exam	22,400.00
5 Total Exam Receipts	26,900.00
6 Interest Earned	1,200.00
7 Registration Applications	,
8 Applicants w/ No Previous Exper	4,250.00
9 Applicants w/ Previous Exper	200.00
10 Out-of-State Applicant	100.00
11 Total Registration Applications	4,550.00
12 Renewals and Related Fees	
13 Annual Renewals	52,500.00
14 Renewals After 12/31	2,500.00
15 Total Renewals and Related Fees	55,000.00
16 Total Income	87,650.00
17 Expense	
18 General Administration	
19 Auditor Fees	3,700.00
20 Bank Charge	1,700.00
21 Insurance	500.00
22 NEHA Exam Costs	22,400.00
23 Office supplies	1,000.00
24 Post Office Box Rental	75.00
25 Postage	800.00
26 Printing	500.00
27 Software	400.00
28 Telephone	875.00
29 Training/Education Expenses	50.00
30 Travel Expense (Staff)	1,700.00
31 Wages (and Withholding)	
32 Payroll Tax Expense	2,700.00
33 Wages	34,000.00
34 Total Wages (and Withholding)	36,700.00
35 Web Admin & Hosting	850.00
36 Total General Administration	71,250.00
37 Meeting Expenses	
38 Board Meeting Expense	15,000.00
39 Board Member Plaques/Gifts	400.00
40 Investigations and Hearings	500.00
41 Per Diem Expense	500.00
42 Total Meeting Expenses	16,400.00
43 Total Expense	87,650.00
44 Revenues Less Expenditures	0.00

<u>Motion:</u> <u>Lisa HalbedI made a motion to approve the proposed 2019 budget. Drew Morgan</u> seconded the motion. All votes affirmative.

2019 Meeting Calendar

Based on Board feedback at the October 2018 meeting, Donna presented the 2019 Meeting Calendar for consideration.

Meeting Date	Location	Purpose
February 15, 2019	West Campus Office Building Environmental Health Conference Room <u>131 W Margaret Lane</u> <u>Hillsborough, NC 27278</u>	Regular Meeting & Annual Renewal Application Audit
March 8, 2019	West Campus Office Building Environmental Health Conference Room <u>131 W Margaret Lane</u> <u>Hillsborough, NC 27278</u>	Work Session
April 11, 2019	West Campus Office Building Environmental Health Conference Room <u>131 W Margaret Lane</u> <u>Hillsborough, NC 27278</u>	Regular Meeting & Work Session
April 12, 2019	Whitted Human Services Center <u>300 West Tryon Street</u> <u>Hillsborough, NC 27278</u>	Exam
May 17, 2019	West Campus Office Building Environmental Health Conference Room <u>131 W Margaret Lane</u> <u>Hillsborough, NC 27278</u>	Regular Meeting & Work Session
July 18, 2019	West Campus Office Building Environmental Health Conference Room <u>131 W Margaret Lane</u> <u>Hillsborough, NC 27278</u>	Exam
July 19, 2019	Whitted Human Services Center <u>300 West Tryon Street</u> <u>Hillsborough, NC 27278</u>	Regular Meeting
October 24, 2019	West Campus Office Building Environmental Health Conference Room <u>131 W Margaret Lane</u> <u>Hillsborough, NC 27278</u>	Regular Meeting
October 25, 2019	Whitted Human Services Center <u>300 West Tryon Street</u> <u>Hillsborough, NC 27278</u>	Exam
December 6, 2019	<u>5605 Six Forks Road</u> Eagle Room Raleigh, NC	Regular Meeting

<u>Motion:</u> <u>Larry Michael made a motion to approve the proposed 2019 meeting and exam</u> calendar. Greg Caulder seconded the motion. All votes affirmative.

2018 Financial Audit, CPA

The Board discussed the upcoming 2018 financial audit to be conducted by a CPA firm and agreed to continue the its contract with Anderson Smith Wike, PLLC firm at a cost of \$3,700.

- Motion:
 Drew Morgan made a motion to approve Anderson Smith Wike, PLLC to conduct the 2018 financial audit at a cost of \$3,700. Greg Caudle seconded the motion. All votes affirmative.
- Motion: Drew Morgan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Daniel Ortiz seconded the motion. All votes affirmative.

Meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Kivett, REHS Secretary-Treasurer December 7, 2018