

**CITY OF SALEM
BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES
*January 7, 2015***

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Barbara Poremba, Chair, Dr. Shama Alam, Janet Greene, Paul Kirby, and Dr. Danielle Ledoux

OTHERS PRESENT: Larry Ramdin Health Agent, Council Liaison Beth Gerard & Suzanne Doty, Public Health Nurse & Heather Lyons-Paul, Clerk of the Board

TOPIC

DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. Call to Order

7:00pm

2. Minutes of Last Meeting
(December 9, 2014)

P. Kirby motioned to accept the minutes Dr. Alam 2nd Approved unanimously

3. Chairperson Announcements

*Council Liaison Beth Gerard will be presenting a motion to City Council to reduce the Board of Health from 7-5 members on 08 January 2015.
Dr. Poremba read into record Larissa Lucas's Salem News Article from Nov 2012 & a letter written by Dr. Poremba to the council in May 2013.
J Greene suggested the Board present positive statements about having 5 members. She stated that there is a free flow of speaking at the meetings with the 5 members.
***P. Kirby, Dr. Alam, Dr. Ledoux, J. Greene, & Dr. Poremba are all in favor of Council Liaison Beth Gerard bringing the topic of reducing the Board Members from 7 to 5 members to the City Council**
*The requirements of releasing the executive session minutes will be added to the standing agenda
*The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be moved to Wednesday February 11, 2015 at 7pm due to scheduling conflicts.

4. Monthly Reports-Updates

A. Health Agent Report

Mosquito control discussion.
Approved copy available at the BOH

B. Public Health Nurse's Report

There are 80 doses of flu vaccine left. S. Doty will be taking appointments in the office during work hours
Approved copy available at the BOH

C. Administrative Report

Approved copy available at the BOH

**Dr. Alam motioned to accept the reports. P. Kirby 2nd
Approved unanimously**

**D. City Council Liaison
Updates**

None presented

5. Items up for discussion

A. Reorganization of the Board

Chair of The Board and Clerk of the Board up for nomination
**Dr. Ledoux nominated Heather Lyons-Paul Clerk of the
Board. 2nd J. Greene
H. Lyons-Paul accepted the nomination
Approved unanimously
Dr. Ledoux nominated Dr. Alam as Chairperson
Dr. Alam responded by accepting the nomination
2nd by P Kirby
There were no other nominations on the table.
Vote was 3 in favor of Dr. Alam as Chair; both Dr. Alam
and Dr. Poremba abstained.
Dr. Alam was elected as Chair of The Board of Health.**

6. Misc.

None

7. MEETING ADJOURNED:

8:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Lyons-Paul
Clerk of the Board

*Next regularly scheduled meeting is Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 7pm
At Senior Center 5 Broad Street 1st floor Salem.*