

Healthy Personians Nominating Committee  
Meeting Notes from April 1, 2009  
And Updates Prior to the April 13 Board Meeting

Members Present: Janet Clayton (Chair), Pam Bradsher, Gordon Powell

Janet brought the following information to the attention of the committee:

- Ruth Burch and Bobby Harris have served 2 consecutive terms and would have to come off the board for a year according to the bylaws.
- There is a need for a Health Department representative on the board since Janet is considered an “ex-officio” member, Becky is gone, and LeighAnn has moved into the HP Coordinator position. The Health Department position is a “designated” position.
- The committee will need to seek a representative from the faith community.
- Our board needs to be more representative of all populations in our county. According to 2007 census estimates, about 29% of Personians are non-white populations. This should serve as a guideline for our board in that about the same percentage of its members should represent non-white populations.
- The terms of Tina Williams and Otis Martin will expire on June 30. They can serve another 3 year term if they choose to do so.
- As we are contemplating board replacements another consideration is to recruit community volunteers as these are the positions Ruth and Bobby filled.
- We must have a minimum of 15 board members and can have a maximum of 20.
- Officer positions also need to be filled.
- The Office of Healthy Carolinians strongly recommends that we seek a county commissioner or city councilperson to serve on the board. (This recommendation came after reviewing our recertification application last year.)
- Nominations need to be in place for a vote at the April 13 board meeting.

The committee discussed numerous people they would contact for board service as well as potential officers. They will be contacting these people in the upcoming weeks to have nominations in place for the April 13 meeting. The committee will communicate information to each other via email and phone.

Updates after the 4/1 meeting and prior to the April 13 Board Meeting:

*The committee had the following nominees in place for presentation at the board meeting:*

- *Beth Townsend - Board Chairperson (Represents: Piedmont Community College, White Community)*
- *Lyn Holt - Board Vice-Chairperson (Represents: Person County Schools, White Community)*
- *Yvonne Hicks – Board Secretary (Represents: Mental Health, African American Community)*
- *Tina Williams – Board Member (Represents: Person Family Medical & Dental Centers, White Community)*
- *Johnny Lunsford – Board Member (Represents: County Commissioners, African American Community)*
- *Foy Harrell – Board Member (Represents: Community Volunteers, White Community)*
- *James Weekly – Board Member (Represents: Community Volunteers, White Community)*
- *Teresa Johnson – Board Member (Represents: Faith Community, African American Community)*
- *Paola Stone – Board Member (Represents: Person County Health Department; Hispanic Community)*

*Prior to the meeting, the committee was unsure if Otis Martin would continue to serve on the board, representing the Sappony Tribe, or if Meredith Crowe would do so. Someone will try to make contact with him prior to the 4/13 board meeting to have that nomination in place.*

