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## Public Health Graduate Student Organization

Thursday, January 21, 2010

6:30, Allied Health Building, Room 1335

I. Call to Order

II. Special Orders

- a. Welcome Dr. Lloyd Novick, Department of Public Health Chair
- b. Welcome DPH Faculty Attendees
- c. Welcome Kia Armstrong, Public Health Prevention Specialist, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

- For more information you can go to [www.cdc.gov/phps](http://www.cdc.gov/phps). Applications are due Feb.15

III. Officer Reports

a. President Becky Merrick

i. Semester Kick-Off: Ham's Restaurant

1. Ham's Restaurant
2. 8pm – 11pm, Saturday, January 23

ii. Commencement

1. Saturday, May 8, 2010 – 10am
  - a. Ad hoc committee (identify potential marshals) - to sign up, please email Becky. We will begin meeting in March with Dr. Novick to arrange the graduation ceremony.
  - b. Honorary speaker: Jeffrey Engel, NC State Health Director

b. Vice President Brian Loveland

i. Intramural Update

- We are starting basketball season. We are having a co-ed team and a separate all male team. If interested, please email Brian.

c. Treasurer Chris Green

i. Dues\_ \$10/semester – Please pay Chris

ii. T-shirt Design and Sign up

-T-Shirts will be Purple with white text. Will have ECU department of PH and logo.

GPSS Update: We have approximately \$1200 that we need to spend by July. If anyone wants to attend

d. Parliamentarian Chelsea Stowe

i. Update on NCPHA

- Matt Thompson was elected Member at Large/Treasurer

- If you have any fundraising ideas, let Matt know

- The annual meeting will be next October in Wilmington. If you have any poster/presentation ideas be thinking about that so you can present in October.

e. Secretary Cameron Lloyd – Welcome!

i. Roll Call

IV. Special Reports

- a. Volunteering, Jared McGuirt
  - *First Borne Food Distribution Center in Grimsland NC on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday each month*
  - *Blood Drive- February 3*
- b. Food Literacy Program, Leisha Johnson
- c. American Red Cross, Caity Warren
  - *Carolina Hurricanes Game March 27<sup>th</sup> Let Caity know if you would like to go*
- d. Relay 4 Life, Becky Merrick and Britany Locher
  - i. Sign up [www.piraterelay.com](http://www.piraterelay.com) (Team Name: Public Health Organization)
  - ii. April 9, 2010
  - *Theme this year is "Relay Around the World" and it is a 12 hour event*
  - *\*Carrie May's Presentation January 25<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 in Laupus. See attached flyer for more information*

*Information from Dr. Novick:*

- *Graduation has been changed to May 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am*
- *There were 12 new entries and 8 new graduates this Spring*
- *Lisa Bagnell will be going back to her previous job and the Department will be hiring a new student coordinator*
- *The department will be hiring a new faculty member, most likely in Epidemiology*
- *Dr. Novick and Dr. Lea are currently working on getting a Doctoral Degree Program in Epidemiology*

V. Old Business

VI. New Business (No Faculty Present)

- a. Open Session

VII. Announcements

- a. Semester Meetings
  - i. 6:30 pm, Room 1335
  - ii. February 18, March 18
- b. Global Health Interest Group
  - i. Jan. 28, 6:30pm at the Topsy Teapot
- c. Mills Health Symposium: *Race, Stress and Health*
  - 1. February 5<sup>th</sup>, 8:30-4:00
  - 2. Greenville Hilton & Convention Center
  - 3. <http://www.ecu.edu/cs-dhs/ah/millssymposium.cfm>
- d. UNC Minority Health Conference: *Building Community in the Age of Information: Fighting Health Inequality in the Modern World*
  - 1. February 26, 2010
  - 2. <http://www.minority.unc.edu/sph/minconf/2010/>
- e. The Keith LeClair Classic (baseball) is March 5 - 7. Save the date!

VIII. Adjournment