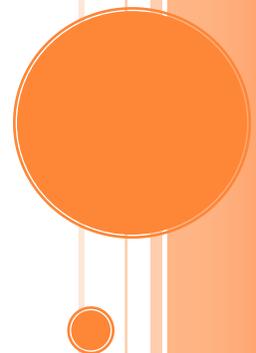


ORANGE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD SUMMARY

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Board of Health Engagement

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BOARD	BOH PRIORITY	SUMMARY
Orange County Schools Board of Education	Obesity, Access	<p>Poverty: At its April 25, 2016 meeting, the Board modified its formula for designating schools as Title 1 (schools with high number/% of children from low income families) and for allocating federal money to those schools. This was done to shift the approach from “equality” to “equity” approach.</p> <p>Previously, any school with 50% or more students eligible for Free & Reduced (F&R) price lunch was Title 1; the new practice introduces grade span and poverty bands, with the schools with more children in poverty receiving a higher allocation of Title 1 funds. At New Hope Elementary, in Family Success Alliance zone 4, 62.3% of students (405) qualify for F&RP lunch, and it continues to be a Title 1 school with the new classification system. In sheer quantity, more students at NHE qualify than at any other elementary in the district.</p> <p>Universal Breakfast Pilot: At its March 21, 2016 meeting, the superintendent proposed his FY 2017 budget, which included Universal Breakfast. This program is often promoted as a way to reduce stigma for low-income students receiving free breakfast and thus increase participation. In July, the district began piloting the program for PreK – 5th graders.</p>
Chapel Hill/Carrboro City Schools Board of Education	Obesity, SAMH	<p>Leadership: At its June 16, 2016 meeting, the Board heard input from the community on its superintendent search. In August 2016, Tom Forcella retired and Dr. Causby became interim.</p> <p>At its June 2, 2016 meeting, the Board reviewed the results of the 2015 Youth Risk Behavior Survey. Relevant statistical trends related to mental health, substance abuse, nutrition, and physical activity can be found on pages 4-7.</p>

Board of County Commissioners	Obesity SAMH	<p>At its May 17 meeting, the BOCC voted to create the Criminal Justice Advisory Council and establish a charge and member structure. This group will build on the work of the Assessment of Jail Alternatives Task Force, which last convened in March 2016. It's expected that this group will improve the justice system through collaborative efforts and research, promoting safety, improving the just and efficient treatment of offenders and reducing incarceration time, crime rates, and recidivism.</p> <p>At its June 7 meeting, the BOCC voted to adopt <u>rules</u> regulating the operation of mobile food vending businesses in Orange County. It includes a provision that smoking is not allowed inside the unit or within 100 feet, while in operation.</p> <p>At its June 21 meeting, the BOCC reviewed applicants to the Bicycle Safety Task Force, finalized the Bicycle Safety Task Force Resolution, appointed members and appointed Commissioner Price as the BOCC liaison. This task force was created to address bicycle safety in accordance with recommendations from the <u>OUTBoard's Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Report</u>.</p> <p>At its May 5 meeting, the BOCC approved a <u>resolution</u> calling for the General Assembly to fully fund North Carolina public schools. This is included for the implications of limited funding on the Family Success Alliance zones and on districts' ability to support quality nutrition, physical activity, and mental health services.</p> <p>At its April 19 meeting, the BOCC approved a resolution to repeal NC House Bill 2 in its entirety and authorized the County Attorney to support, join, and/or initiative litigation seeking to challenge or overturn it. This is included for its potential impact on stigma and mental health.</p>
Chapel Hill Town Council	Obesity, Access	<p>At their June 13, meeting, Mayor Hemminger read a <u>proclamation</u> dedicating the Town to be a Breastfeeding Family Friendly Community. A breastfeeding room is being created in Town Hall and</p>

		<p>the Town is looking for opportunities to make such resources available in its public facilities.</p> <p>At its February 22 meeting, the Town Council selected a design for the Estes Drive Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements.</p> <p>Supporting a 2016 Town Council goal, a planning effort is looking at bicycle, pedestrian, and greenway connectivity throughout the Town. It is expected to be completed in 2017.</p>	
Carrboro Board of Aldermen	Access, Obesity	Healthy Carolinians of Orange County	All
Orange Unified Transportation Board (OUTBoard)	Obesity, Access	<p>At its August 16 meeting, the OUTBoard heard that the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) plan has become partially obsolete. For instance, the Hillsborough Connectivity Plan was adopted in March 2014, and while it acknowledged the SRTS plan and its recommendations for three local schools, those projects were not included in the town’s infrastructure network.</p> <p>SRTS implementation funding, especially for infrastructure projects, is limited due to changes in the structure of MAP-21 federal dollars and the prioritization of urban areas for other federal funding. There is also a lack of local matching funds.</p> <p>According to the abstract (full minutes not yet available): “Orange County Transportation staff is at a standstill on implementation of infrastructure projects until such time as there is a revision of the funding landscape. However, should the Commissioners so direct, staff can provide support to Orange County Schools and/or the Town of Hillsborough if they decide to proceed with implementation of non-infrastructure projects.”</p> <p>At its January 21 meeting, the OUTBoard added a 7th at-large position to encourage membership with expertise or interest in Public Health.</p>	

Family Success Alliance	Access	<p>On August 22, the Advisory Council approved the 2016-2018 Strategic Plan. Over the past couple months, all three municipalities have appointed an elected official to the council.</p> <p>FSA staff also presented to a joint meeting of the chair & co-chair of the school boards from both districts and the county commissioners, and are scheduled to present at the joint meeting of all three boards on September 29, 2016.</p>
Orange County Food Policy Council	Obesity	<p>At their September 12 meeting, they heard and overview of Family Success Alliance and concerns about food insecurity and had began action planning for the next year. Chapel Hill Town Council, Carrboro Board of Aldermen, Hillsborough Town Commissioners, and the County Commissioners have all appointed representatives to the council.</p>