

September 5, 2017

Board of Health Minutes

Two Rivers Public Health Department

<u>Absent</u>	
	Dennis Reiter – Buffalo County Supervisor
	Sue Hunter – Buffalo County Citizen
X	Dennis Rickertsen – Dawson County Supervisor
	Mike Hudson – Dawson County Citizen
X	Steve Hogeland – Franklin County Supervisor
	Mike Dallmann – Franklin County Citizen
	Glen Monter – Gosper County Commissioner
	Doris Brandon – Harlan County Citizen
	Wayne Anderson – Kearney County Supervisor
	Cody Krull – Kearney County Citizen
	Tana Fye – Phelps County Citizen
X	Russ Cruise – Phelps County Supervisor
	Dr. Melissa Drain – Phelps County Veterinarian
X	Dr. Robert Butz – Phelps County Dentist
	Patty Bader – Gosper County Citizen
	Dr. Brady Beecham – Dawson County Physician
X	Jessie Perez – Minority Representative
	Nicole Buettner – Midlevel Health Provider
	X X X

^{*}Beecham arrived at 6:17 PM.

Also present: Jeremy Eschliman – Director TRPHD, Laura Steele – Assistant Director TRPHD, Dustin Handley – Emergency Response Coordinator / Coordinator, Tri-Cities Medical Response System, Roxanne Denny-Mickey – Dental Health Coordinator, Jesse Valenti – Finance Manager, Vanessa Carrol – Administrative Assistant

Eschliman introduced new employees: Jesse Valenti and Vanessa Carrol.

The Board of Health (BOH) meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Hunter. Hunter stated the Nebraska Open Meeting Law was posted. Roll call completed by Steele, 12 present.

Public Comment.

Approval of Agenda. Motion carried by Fye, second by Ritcher to approve agenda and move the finance discussion on the agenda to the Finance Committee section. Roll call vote, 12 ayes, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from June 20, 2017. Monter made a motion, second by Dallman. Roll call vote, 11 ayes, one abstain (Brandon), motion carried.

Board of Health Education: Tri-city Medical Response System.

Handley reported to the board on the role of the Coordinator of the Tri-city Medical Response System (TRIMRS). As Coordinator, Handley travels throughout the TRIMRS jurisdiction to coordinate drills with hospitals, clinics, and long-term care facilities. TRIMRS supplies trailers for emergencies that serve as additional triage/care sites, and also serves as liaison for distributing patients to area hospitals during an emergency. With the recent hurricane in Texas, Handley discussed how TRIMRS is on active standby to send trailers equipped as care units to Texas.

NALBOH update.

Fye presented on findings from the NALBOH conference. Included was a discussion on partnering with local organizations, such as YMCA, Red Cross, Rotary, Kiwanis, etc. to increase knowledge of public health and possibly diversify funding sources. The opioid crisis was discussed at the conference, as well as the distribution of Narcan kits to prevent overdoses. A standing agenda item was proposed, which would allow board members to discuss new community public health issues at Board meetings. Eschliman will add new agenda item under Public comment.

Director's Report

Eschliman presented on the Director's Report. Included were discussions on employee transitions, current open positions, relationships with area agencies, accreditation progress, and program happenings.

SALBOH

Eschliman presented on recent SALBOH conversations including Emergency Response program concerns, state contract delays, and a potential joint board meeting w/ South Heartland Public Health Department and Senator Kuehn in Hastings the week of September 10th. Anderson, Fye, Krull, and Butz have been nominated to represent TRPHD.

Beecham arrived at 6:17 PM (13 present).

Standing Committees.

Executive Committee. No report.

Finance Committee. Anderson presented on the organizational budget for the current fiscal year. Board reviewed the June financials. Motion by Fye, second by Reiter to approve June Financial report. Roll call vote, 13 ayes, motion carried.

Personnel Committee. No Report.

Policy Committee. Fye presented on proposed policies, included Accounting Standards policy revision and Department Branding policy. **Motion made by Anderson, second by Krull to approve policies as presented.** Roll call vote, 13 ayes, **motion carried.**

Infrastructure Committee. No report.

Benefit Review. Eschliman presented on an update on shifting employee medical, dental, etc. benefits to a January 1 start date. No action taken.

Old Business. No old business to report.

New Business. Hunter announced the opening of the Public Hearing for the 2017-2018 Annual Budget at 7:24 PM. Hunter announced the closing of the Public Hearing for 2017-2018 with no public comments at 7:26 PM. **Motion by Monter, second by Dallmann to approve the 2017-2018 Annual Budget.** Roll call vote, 13 ayes, **motion carried.**

Adjournment. Motion made by Fye, second by Dallmann. Roll call vote, 13 ayes, **motion carried.** The next scheduled Board of Health meeting will be held on Tuesday November 7th, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

The Two Rivers Public Health Department Board of Health meeting was called to adjourn at 7:46 PM by Hunter.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Anderson, Kearney County Supervisor/Treasurer

(Adhoc Secretary) (LS/JE)