



February 4, 2020

Board of Health Minutes

Two Rivers Public Health Department

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	
X		Dennis Reiter-Buffalo County Commissioner
X		Sue Hunter – Buffalo County Citizen
	X	Dennis Rickertsen – Dawson County Commissioner
X		Nicole Thorell –Dawson County Citizen
	X	Scot Grams – Franklin County Supervisor
	X	Mike Dallmann – Franklin County Citizen
	X	Glen Monter – Gosper County Supervisor
	X	Patty Bader – Gosper County Citizen
	X	Cindy Boehler – Harlan County Supervisor
	X	Doris Brandon – Harlan County Citizen
X		Wayne Anderson – Kearney County Supervisor
	X	Cody Krull – Kearney County Citizen
X		Barb Malm – Phelps County Commissioner
X		Tana Fye – Phelps County Citizen
X		Dr. Brady Beecham – Physician
	X	Dr. Melissa Drain – Veterinarian
	X	Dr. Robert Butz – Dentist
	X	Cecelia Perales – Minority Representative
	X	Nicole Buettner – Midlevel Practitioner

Also present: Jeremy Eschliman – Director TRPHD, Glenda Fraber-Assistant Director TRPHD, Roxanne Denny-Mickey-Dental Coordinator TRPHD.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Board of Health (BOH) meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM in the Lexington Regional Health Center, 1201 N. Erie St., Lexington, NE by Hunter. Hunter acknowledged the Nebraska Open Meeting Law was posted in the room with booklets available on the table for board members.

Meeting notices: The meeting notice publication has occurred in a newspaper of record within each county of the district, in addition to an agenda being continually current and available at the main office in Holdrege and on the TRPHD website.

Roll call completed by Fraber, 7 members present. Note: Tana Fye arrived at 6:29pm.

MATERIAL E-MAILED OUT PRIOR TO THE MEETING & AVAILABLE AT THE MEETING

- February 4, 2020 BOH Agenda updated 1-31-20
- BoH Meeting Minutes December 3, 2019
- 2020 BOH Meeting Schedule
- BOH 2020-2022 terms and committees
- Bylaws with recommended changes December 3, 2019
- December 2019 Newsletter
- November 2019 Newsletter
- Executive Committee Agenda 12.13.19
- Executive Committee Minutes 12.13.19
- Health Insurance Quotes for TRPHD
- Finance Committee Agenda 1.10.20
- Finance Committee Minutes 1.10.20
- BOH December 2019 Financials
- BOH November 2019 Financials
- Disposition of HHR – Rhynalds Auction
- TRPHD RENT cost analysis 1.20.20
- TRPHD RENT cost analysis 2.4.20
- Year-End Audit TRPHD – June 30, 2019
- Corona virus Infections Fauci et al JAMA January 23, 2020
- FRIENDS legislative meeting notes 1.29.20
- HAN Wuhan 2019 nCoV_012320
- Health Director Evaluation 2020 blank
- NACO legislative JE notes 1.31.20
- NACO LHD Legislative Priorities 2020 1-27-20
- NACO bill review 1.31.20
- Operational strategies 2019-2021 updated 2.4.20
- Template Board Skills Matrix
- 1 LifeSmiles-TRPHD board 2-4-2020 Presentation
- Dental Budget vs Actual Comparison (18-19 and 19-20)
- Dental-NE Comm Foundation January 2020 (Preliminary)
- Dental-NE Comm Foundation Revised Budget Expense after December 2019
- Influenza Report Week 04

APPROVAL OF AGENDA. Motion made by Thorell, second by Reiter to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote, 6 ayes, motion carried.

REORGANIZATION. Approval of officers, committee members, and board member terms. **Motion made by Reiter, second by Malm to retain current officers of Hunter-President; Anderson-Vice president; Krull-Treasurer; and Butz-Secretary. Roll call vote, 5 ayes, 1 abstain (Hunter) motion carried.** [Hunter abstained from voting for herself, voted aye on the other officer members]

Board of Directors. Renewal of terms and appointments.

Motion made by Beecham, second by Malm to approve current slate of board members for additional 3 year terms (Hunter-Buffalo County citizen; Brandon-Harlan County citizen; Anderson-Kearney County Supervisor; Fye-Phelps County citizen; Butz-Dentist; and Buettner-Mid-level practitioner). Roll call vote, 6 ayes, motion carried.

Clinical Services. Review of current committees and new committees suggested.

New committees suggested by Eschliman with terms running concurrent with other committees.

1. *Infrastructure (Dallmann, Brandon, Buettner, Rickertsen)*
2. *Clinical Services (Beecham, Hunter, Buettner, Thorell)*

Motion made by Anderson, second by Beecham to approve current committee members as presented. Roll call vote, 6 ayes.

Review and Approval of 2020 Board Meeting Schedule.

Eschliman discussed moving board meetings across all counties.

Motion made by Thorell, second by Malm to approve dates as presented with locations To Be Determined and intention of rotating board meetings across every county in district. Roll call vote, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from December 3, 2019 MEETING. Motion made by Thorell, second by Reiter to approve minutes from December 3, 2019 meeting. Roll call vote, 6 ayes, motion carried.

Board of Education.

Lifesmiles dental program update on services- Roxanne Denny Mickey. Denny Mickey presented a PowerPoint reviewing the importance of dental health and the services that TRPHD has provided to our service area in the past year.

Fye arrives at 6:29 PM (7 present)

Eschliman reported that Roxanne Denny Mickey will be leaving TRPHD effective February 14, 2020 as her family is relocating to Columbus. The board expressed their appreciation to Roxanne for her work and her passion for dental health.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FRIENDS of Public Health Legislative review

- i. Eschliman briefly reviewed Nebraska Association of County Officials legislative priorities including the FRIENDS of Public Health priorities:
 - a. LB840 Quick-Prohibit the use of electronic smoking devices
 - b. LB874 Howard-Restate the intent regarding funding programs from the NE Healthcare cash fund
 - c. LB1018 Vargas-Appropriate 6.5 million for health departments (150k/LHD + per capita)

Current Programming Review

Eschliman stated updates to administrative tasks include two current employees are transitioning due to changes in life situations.

- Roxanne Denny-Mickey: Dental Program Coordinator (last scheduled day 2/14/20)
- Vanessa West: Administrative Assistant (last scheduled day 2/30)

At the policy level Eschliman attended NACO legislative session on 1.31.20, with continued pending meeting with Nebraska Medicaid regarding allowance of additional billing codes for public health dental hygienists (Pat Lopez). Eschliman stated discussions continued with key state partners regarding the potential for additional EH services detailing:

- Lead in water partnerships with DEE (schools and daycares)
- Manganese water testing with public water system

Eschliman and Fraber are planning on meeting with Area agency on aging-discussion of potential contract for chronic disease programming. Eschliman discussed Minority Health Initiative funding was awarded to West Central District Health Department in partnership with Southwest Public Health Department and Two Rivers Public Health Department. Contractual negotiations continue with some uncertainty as to final disposition.

Eschliman discussed recently signed subaward focusing on Opioid overdose (substance abuse related to opioid and methamphetamines)-\$18, 241 (9.1.19 to 8.31.20). Intent is to develop strategic plan to address drug misuse/overdose. Eschliman discussed recently signed subaward focusing on Lead poisoning -\$7700 (9.30.19 to 9.29.20). Intent is prevention and control of childhood lead poisoning. Eschliman stated dental program would be discussed later in agenda during LifeSmiles discussion. Eschliman reviewed contract with Nebraska Community Foundation-5 year 1-1 match; Year 1: 25k to Year 5: 35k. Eschliman discussed immunization program is currently in process of surveying partners for customer satisfaction and continuous quality improvement. Eschliman stated nearly 1000 doses of seasonal influenza were provided to many children that were had no previous record of immunizations for influenza across majority of schools in district.

Board discussed the need for a further BOH discussion. Eschliman stated intent is to discuss immunization program further during next Board of Health meeting planned for 4.7.2020.

Fraber discussed activities in Emergency Preparedness and Response included recent planning and preparations surrounding novel Coronavirus 2019. A recent activity to highlight is with CHI Good Samaritan on internal tabletop exercise on pandemic influenza. Additionally Fraber discussed currently in communication with federal/state/local partners regarding pandemic flu including:

- Tracking activities related to coronavirus
- Weekly disease surveillance call to provide information to partners
- Messaging:
 - Population is currently at low risk
 - We are continually evaluating the situation and in contact with federal and state partners regarding nCoV 2019
 - Seasonal influenza activity is high with NE reporting WIDESPREAD activity-continue to take precautions

Fraber discussed current disease trends including: Coronavirus, seasonal influenza, legionnaire's disease (possibly related to flooding)

Eschliman reviewed update on operational strategies on strategic plan (2019-2021) with highlights including:

- Plan to continue rotating BOH meetings
- Workforce development
- Staff competencies in Environmental Health and other organizational priorities

Eschliman discussed the purchaser of the 2008 Chevy HHR was Marci Dornhoff, 808 N. Colorado, Minden, NE 68959 for \$1200.

Eschliman discussed recent disposition of storage trailer for TRIMRS to Philadelphia Insurance with insurance proceeds to include fair market value minus deductible due to previous insurance claim.

Eschliman reviewed current conflict of interest forms and discussed intent of executive committee to review potential conflicts at a future board of health meeting.

Old Business

No old business noted from the board

New Business

Ratify executive committee actions (met on 12.13.19)

Approved employee benefits: NACO option #3 (0.95) BCBS plan starting January 1, 2020 running through June 30, 2021 incorporating value added benefits of Life/AD&D, LTD, and Section 125/FSA plans.

Motion by Fye and second by Beecham to ratify executive committee actions from meeting on December 13, 2019, Roll call vote, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Recommendation to approve November and December 2019 financial reports
Motion by Fye, second by Reiter to approve November and December 2019 financial reports, roll call vote, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Recommendation to approve to approve the 2018-2019 financial audit report by Dana Cole and Company
Motion by Fye, second by Thorell to approve the 2018-2019 financial audit report by Dana Cole and Company. Roll call vote, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Recommendation to approve revised organizational by-laws, incorporation of revised approval process for new board members
Motion by Thorell, second by Beecham to approve revised organizational by-laws as presented including the incorporation of revised approval process for new board members. Roll call vote, 6 ayes, with Fye abstaining. Motion carried.

Discuss potential letter of supports for current legislation. Recommend the board advocate for LBs-1018, 874, 840.

Eschliman briefly discussed LB1018 proposed by Senator Vargus (LHD funding proposal), LB874 proposed by Senator Quick (including electronic cigarettes in the NE clean indoor air act), and LB 840 proposed by Senator Howard (limiting future expenditures from Healthcare Cash Fund). Eschliman discussed letters would be drafted and reviewed by Fye, sent to Hunter for signatures and then sent to senators and committees. **Motion made by Thorell, second by Beecham for the board to take position in support of LB 1018 and LB 874 as drafted.** Discussion on wording LB 840 being too broad in that nebulizers and inhalers could also be included in regulation. **Roll call vote, 6 ayes, Fye abstaining. Motion carried.**

Discussion of Health Director Evaluation: Discussion of current Health Director evaluation tool. **Consensus by board was to continue using the current evaluation as presented for 2019 and to re-examine for 2020.** Eschliman suggested referral to personnel committee for future revisions including measurable objectives.

Discussion of LifeSmiles Dental program: Discussion of current financial state, fund raising, and potential future development of LifeSmiles Dental program. Eschliman presented current program revenue and expense statements regarding the LifeSmiles dental program soliciting BOH guidance. Eschliman stated dental program has operated at a negative cash flow for over three years. Eschliman reviewed current contract and partnership with the Nebraska Community Foundation for funding development towards sustainability. Eschliman solicited suggestions from board for continued strategic program development. Several suggestions from board were

providing including solicitation from local employers, continued program promotion surrounding fund raising, and establishment of specific program advisory committee of local advocates and experts.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

Board comment: Fye discussed current series on Netflix [Pandemic] likeness to local public health department's role in a pandemic flu.

ADJOURNMENT

The Two Rivers Public Health Department Board of Health meeting was called to adjourn by consensus at 8:31 PM by Hunter.

Respectfully submitted,



Wayne Anderson,

Vice President (GF/JE)