

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Wednesday, August 6, 2014
10:30 a.m. – Health Service Center Board Room

MINUTES

PRESENT: Dale Dahms, Judy Popelka, Bob Benishek, Patti Shinnars, Richard Burby, Dr. Kristine Flowers,
Richard Hurlbert

ALSO PRESENT: Ron Barger, Karen Hegranes, Julie Webb, Nina Christianson (UW Oshkosh ACCEL Student),
Carrie Zelazoski

ABSENT: Angela Schreiber

1. D. Dahms called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance as listed above.
3. Motion by R. Hurlbert, seconded by P. Shinnars to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
4. Minutes of the July 3, 2014 board meeting were approved with motion by R. Benishek, seconded by J. Popelka. Motion carried.
5. Review bills.
6. The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 10:30 a.m.
7. R. Barger presented the mid-year 2014 budget which has a short fall due to the reduced revenues from WIC and PNCC. R. Barger stated that the LCHD will continue to keep programs on task as much as possible. R. Barger passed around the information for the 2015 & 2016 budgets. Reflecting the budget changes from 2014 in WIC, PNCC, and the Wisconsin Well Women Program, the department is right on levy for 2015 and 2016. Budget report was approved with motion by R. Burby, seconded by R. Benishek. Motion carried.
8. Correspondence and Reports:
 - a. R. Barger brought to the boards attention Acts that are being considered and voted on at the Federal level; Ensuring Patient Access and Effective Drug Enforcement Act of 2014 (H.R. 4709) (relating to the growing problem of prescription drug abuse) and Vector-Borne Disease Research Accountability and Transparency Act (H.R. 4701) (relating to Lyme and tick-borne diseases). He also encourages the board to review the recent Wisconsin Counties Association magazine, especially the articles involving water quality, social media, and animal control.
9. Personnel Update:
 - a. Nina Christianson, an UW Oshkosh ACCEL Student, was introduced. Nina is at the LCHD for 165 hours this summer as part of her clinical education for her BS degree in Nursing. Only 30 students are accepted into the ACCEL program across the country and we are fortunate to have one in our department. Nina is working on various projects for the health department.
10. Public Health:
 - a. Data report for July was passed around and discussed. Motion by R. Benishek, and seconded by J. Popelka to approve the data report July. Motion carried.
 - b. General Public Health Update— Vaccines have been ordered in preparation of the fall immunization calendar. Through the Preparedness Program, LCHD, with the help of volunteers, will be conducting

school immunization clinics, along with vision testing of certain grades, in all the Langlade County schools. This program was such a huge success last year that the state will be allowing LCHD staff to administer additional vaccines as required by the childhood immunization schedule. This program is a best practice for health care. Pertussis numbers have decreased in the last month with an upswing in GI related reportable diseases. Langlade County has had a confirmed West Nile bird report from the state lab in 2014. No further bird testing is required. An informative article was released to the media.

- c. Program Updates –Building a Healthier Langlade County (BHLC) and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) sub-committees continue to meet. The current AmeriCorps Representative will be completing her year shortly. Langlade Hospital has committed to fund the new service volunteer for the next program year who will continue to be located out of LCHD. Interviews were held recently and the next new service volunteer will be Wendee Cox. She will be starting her contract commitment in September.

11. Old Business:

- a. Public Awareness Activities – Newspaper articles were shared. Clean Sweep Rx For Langlade County was held on Saturday, August 2, 2014 in Antigo. There were two tables at Clean Sweep, one utilized for an information display and one for intake of drugs. Staffing for the event were three nurses and one ACCEL nursing student from UW Oshkosh. Misty Servi, City of Antigo Police Officer, assisted with the chain of custody needed for controlled drug transport to lock-up in the Safety Building evidence room. A total of 83 #s of medications was collected: 61 #s of prescription medication, 4 #s inhalers, 18 #s controlled narcotics including patches/liquid. It was estimated that with the patches alone, thousands of dollars of street narcotics are off the streets and will be destroyed. A short survey at the time of the event was conducted and information distributed. Those who participated in the survey were eligible for a drawing for two Mylar lock bags.
- b. N. Christianson and J. Webb presented current results of the on-going Festival assessments for 2014. R. Benishek made a motion with R. Hurlbert seconding to acknowledge Nina Christianson on her presentation to the BOH. Motion carried.

12. New Business

- a. Conference/Workshop Attendance
 1. BOH members and Health Department employees—Motion by B. Benishek, seconded by P. Shinnors to approve any BOH members and Health Department employees to attend necessary meetings with per diem and mileage. Motion carried.

13. Referrals/Recommendations for September meeting.

- a. Human Health Hazards (HHH) situations in Langlade County.
- b. Show case presentation on the new <http://langladecountyhealth.org/> website.

14. Motion by R. Burby, seconded by P. Shinnors to adjourn the meeting at 11:40 a.m. Motion carried.

Ron Barger, P.H.N., Director

Dale Dahms, BOH Chairman

Additional items may be discussed with no action taken during the meeting, for the purposes of preparing future meeting agendas. If there is a quorum of any other governmental body present at the meeting, the existence of the quorum shall not constitute a meeting as no action of such body is contemplated.

Cc: Board of Health, Antigo Daily Journal, Results Broadcasting, David Solin, Ron Nye, Corp. Counsel, County Clerk, County Depts., Antigo City Hall, Antigo Public Library, Dr. Patrick McKenna

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