

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Wednesday, December 3rd, 2014
10:30 a.m. – Health Service Center Board Room

MINUTES

PRESENT: Dale Dahms, Judy Popelka, Richard Burby, Richard Hurlbert, Dr. Flowers, Robert Benishek, Patty Shinnors

ALSO PRESENT: Ron Barger, Sheila Rine, Karen Hegrans, Wendee Cox, Julie Webb, Meghan O'Hearn

ABSENT: A. Schreiber

1. D. Dahms called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance as listed above.
3. Approve agenda – Motion by P. Shinnors, seconded by D. Hurlbert to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
4. Minutes of the November 5th, 2014 board meeting were approved with motion by J. Popelka, seconded by P. Shinnors. Motion carried.
5. Review bills.
6. The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 7th, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. Dr. Flowers suggested looking at another day to hold the BOH meetings or possibly change to afternoons. Everyone is to look at the meetings they currently have and see what may work.
7. Correspondence and Reports:
 - a. Legislative Update – No current update.
8. Personnel Update – No current update.
9. Public Health:
 - a. Data report for November was passed around and discussed. There is an increase in immunizations due to flu clinics. From Jan. through Nov., the Health Department has vaccinated 1642 children from 2 months through 19 years old. (That is for any vaccine, not just flu). There is also an increase in vision screenings, which is done for grades 1-3-5. Motion by B. Benishek, seconded by P. Shinnors to approve the data report for October. Motion carried.
 - b. General Public Health Update – Ebola – Webcasts continue. Wisconsin has seen no positive ebola cases, however, there were 57 people being monitored by the state for 21 days but nothing positive. There is an ebola vaccine that is being tested. 20 people were vaccinated – 10 with a regular dose and 10 with a high dose. The high dose has more antibodies but both vaccines are working.
No active cases of Pertussis.
WI is at moderate level for flu.

The flu exercise is completed. Ron is working on the after-action report. In 2011, we vaccinated 816 children and in 2014, we vaccinated 1326, an increase of 61%. This is completed within a 30 day window. We were also able to offer the Tdap to some 6th graders who were behind schedule and 13 took advantage of this as well.

- c. Program Update – Building a Healthier Langlade County (BHLC) and Langlade Health Coalition sub-committees continue to meet. Copies were handed out as a summary of the last meeting. Meghan gave an update on the Health Coalition. The next newsletter will come out the end of December. There is currently 12 projects being worked on and Meghan reviewed several of them.

Wendee discussed the AmeriCorp and what she is working on, including the Parent Network directory that is hard copy completed. 60 names on it. Looking for speakers and topics to e-mail out to the network group. Meetings will start in January and will probably hold 3 a year, unless the group would like to meet more often. Guiding Good Choices will begin in January and be held on Jan. 6, 20, 27 from 6-8 p.m. We are one of the first groups to actually hold the Guiding Good Choices program because all the other ones have had to cancel due to lack of participation. Wendee is also looking at the tobacco program beginning again.

10. Old Business:

- a. Public Awareness Activities – Newspaper articles were shared.
- b. Alcohol assessment findings/update – Julie approached the city in October and was told, “thanks but no thanks”. She sent the city a copy of her presentation and said it didn’t pay for her come to present to the council. B. Benishek stated he would like a copy of the e-mail correspondence as he is going to look into this.
- c. County Health Rankings – Copies were mailed to every BOH member for review. Ron mentioned that Langlade County is ranked 52 out of 72. Continually improving each year. B. Benishek stated he would like to review this yearly when it comes out.

11. New Business:

- a. Conference/Workshop attendance – BOH Members. B. Benishek made a motion to allow any BOH member to necessary meetings with per diem and mileage, seconded by R. Burby. Motion carried. Staff – Reviewed list.
- b. 140 Review – Ron mentioned that he is processing all the paperwork and uploading to the state review website to be recertified as a Level II Health Department for another 5 years. The state will be coming to the Health Department next Friday, Dec. 12th. BOH members are all encouraged to attend. This process mirrors the accreditation process.

12. Referrals/Recommendations for January meeting – 140 Review.

13. Motion by R. Hurlbert, seconded by B. Benishek to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:
Sheila Rine