

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Wednesday, July 11, 2012
1:30 p.m. – Health Service Center Board Room

MINUTES

PRESENT: Dale Dahms, Pat McKinney-Rice, Pat Galarowicz, Jerold Burns, Sally Leaser, Robert Benishek, Dick Hurlbert, Dr. Kristine Flowers,

ALSO PRESENT: Ron Barger, Karen Hegranes, Sheila Rine, Penny W. (RN Student)

1. J. Burns called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. as D. Dahms will be leaving early. Attendance as listed above.
2. Motion by P. McKinney-Rice, seconded by D. Hurlbert to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Minutes of the June 6, 2012 were approved with motion by B. Benishek, seconded by D. Dahms. Motion carried.
4. Review bills paid and fiscal year analysis. Motion by D. Hurlbert, seconded by D. Dahms to approve bills paid. Motion carried.
5. The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 1st, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. in the Health Department due to scheduling conflict with the board room. *Special BOH meeting scheduled for July 18th at 1:30 p.m.*
6. Correspondence and Reports:
 - a. Legislative Update—Supreme Court passed the Affordable Health Care Act. Governor Walker opposes the act and won't do anything until after the general election in November.
7. Public Health:
 - a. Data report for June was passed around and discussed. Discussed newborn baby contacts if every baby born is made a contact, as the numbers seem low. Will check with Julie. Motion by B. Benishek, seconded by P. McKinney-Rice to approve the data report for June. Motion carried.
 - b. Building a Healthier Langlade County—Minutes were sent to all members via e-mail or mail before the BOH meeting.
 - c. General Public Health Update—Pertussis was reviewed and a current update was shared with everyone.
 - d. Public Health Activities—Karen shared information on the Clean Sweep Program that will take place on August 17th in White Lake from 4-6 p.m.; August 18th in Elcho from 8-10 a.m. and in Antigo at the Hwy Dept. from 8-11 a.m. Karen also mentioned that since the red bag medication program started, they hospital has seen a 41% decrease in medication errors since 2006.
8. Personnel Update:
 - a. Viterbo Nursing Student – Currently, we have 2 nursing students who are doing their public health rotation with the Health Department.
 - b. AmeriCorp position – Ron received noticed that the Federal Government is reducing the AmeriCorp funding for WI from 4.4 million to 2 million. No new or repeat applications will be

accepted including Marshfield Clinic sponsored programs, therefore, not sure if we will get the AmeriCorp position or not. Ron and Keith Wolf will still apply for the position.

9. Old Business:

- a. Public Awareness Activities – Lots of articles in the newspaper, also radio ads.
- b. Staffing request for 2013 for clerical position – Personnel committee voted 3-1 to move to Executive Committee. Executive Committee sent request back to Board of Health. They would like to know where the money is coming from before making a recommendation to the full county board. This would have been for a permanent part-time 56 hour position with prorated benefits. Some options that were discussed were to reduce a RN position to 56 hours/pp and use that savings to fund the 56 hour clerical position, keep the clerical position at 40 hours/pp and offer permanent part-time status with prorated benefits (instead of casual status), or try to renew casual status position at 40 hours/pp. Alternate funding formulas were reviewed/discussed. B. Benishek suggested that the clerical section of Social Services could take over the phone calls. Ron explained there is more to the health department position than just the phone calls. B. Benishek made a motion to take this back to Robin and Gary for their suggestions on working with Social Services to get clerical help, seconded by D. Hurlbert. Motion carried. After discussion, it was decided that a special Board of Health meeting will be held on July 18th at 1:30 p.m. with BOH members, Gary, Robin and Kim from Social Services to further discuss this matter.

10. New Business

- a. Conference/Workshop Attendance
 1. BOH members—None
 2. Staff—Reviewed list. Ron mentioned that he just got invited today to attend health officer training at the CDC in Atlanta, Georgia in October of this year. The CDC will pay for all expenses associated with the trip. Motion by B. Benishek and seconded by P. McKinney-Rice to allow Ron to attend the CDC training in Atlanta Georgia as long as no county expenses are incurred. Motion carried.

11. Referrals/Recommendations for August meeting—no items requested.

12. Motion by R. Benishek, seconded by D. Hurlbert to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:
Sheila Rine