

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Wednesday, June 4th, 2014
10:30 a.m. – Health Service Center Board Room

MINUTES

PRESENT: Judy Popelka, Robert Benishek, Patty Shinnors, Dr. Kristine Flowers, Richard Burby, Angela Schreiber

ALSO PRESENT: Ron Barger, Sheila Rine, Karen Hegranes, Meghan O’Hearn, Katie Foreman

ABSENT: Dale Dahms, Richard Hurlbert

1. R. Benishek called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance as listed above. Introductions were made. Ron introduced Katie Foreman, a student interning with the Health Department and Meghan O’Hearn, from Langlade Hospital.
3. Approve agenda – Motion by J. Popelka, seconded by P. Shinnors to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
4. Minutes of the May 7th, 2014 board meeting were approved with motion by P. Shinnors, seconded by R. Burby. Motion carried.
5. Review bills.
6. The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 2nd, 2014 at 10:30 a.m.
7. Correspondence and Reports:
 - a. Legislative Update – The WI Counties magazine has a briefing on the Legislation session for last year. In the most recent issue, which just came today, talks about the County Health Rankings.
8. Personnel Update
 - a. Ron mentioned that Julie Webb has been out on FML. She is expected to return on June 16th.
9. Public Health:
 - a. Data report for May was passed around and discussed. Health Hazards are increasing. Ron tries to respond within 24 hours but is getting more difficult with short staff but they do get reviewed. Motion by J. Popelka, seconded by P. Shinnors to approve the data report for May. Motion carried.
 - b. 2013 Annual Report – Copies were passed around. Please review and bring back next month for discussion.
 - c. General Public Health Update – Wisconsin has 47 mumps cases – mostly urban areas. Measles 2 cases. Pertussis has increased with 20 positive cases in Langlade County during the month of May. 31 throughout the school year. 109 negative pertussis cases in Langlade County. No West Nile in human cases in Wisconsin thus far. 1 possible TB case with direct

med observation, where one of our staff nurses has to give the patient 11 pills every day, including weekends. Karen gave a review of AIDS/HIV. Langlade County has remained static with the same 10 cases on our report for the last decade. Hept. C numbers have increased. 10,000+ cases of HIV in Wisconsin since 1983. Karen has been doing Teen Peer education on AIDS/HIV over 2 decades in the high school and middle school in all 3 districts.

- d. Program Update – Building a Healthier Langlade County (BHLC) and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) sub-committees continue to meet. The Ameri-Corp application was approved, so when Kaybrey completes her 1 year term in August, a new person will take over. This will be paid for by the hospital and recruitment ads are currently running. Meghan reviewed her position at the hospital. She is coordinating efforts to address health issues in the community. Reviewed the Community Health Needs Assessment that the hospital does every 3 years; the Health Department does the same type of assessment every 5 years, but will work with the hospital on a 3 year schedule. Reviewed the 4 priority teams, where they have 9 subgroups, with projects rolling out. The hospital is also looking at hiring a nurse navigator position to work on the First Breath program. There is a high smoking rate among pregnant women in Langlade County.

10. Old Business:

- a. Public Awareness Activities – Newspaper articles were shared. Also radio spots.
- b. Stand For Children’s Day – Ron passed around pictures from the event. SFCD was normally held at Head Start but has outgrown that area and moved to Castle Park. It was a huge success with over 600 registered individuals and more that probably didn’t register.

11. New Business:

- a. Conference/Workshop attendance – BOH Members. R. Burby made a motion to allow any BOH member to necessary meetings with per diem and mileage, seconded by J. Popelka. Motion carried. Staff – Reviewed list.
- b. Powerpoint Presentation – Will do the Public Health 101 next month. Ron did a presentation on Population Health. He was also offered to do the same presentation at Ripon College. B. Benishek reminded the group that Public Health is for everyone. Social Services is for selected few.
- c. Office Cell Phone – Ron reviewed the office cell phone that got passed down when Holly left. He is having problems with the phone and there are no parts to fix it. The phone is already in the budget but he would like to purchase a smart phone and put a line item under Public Health Preparedness (PHP), which would take it away from tax levy. Motion by J. Popelka, seconded by A. Schreiber to approve the purchase of a smart phone coming from PHP grant money, not tax levy. Motion carried.
- d. Northwoods Collaborative – 2 days ago, Ron received word that the director of the PHP Collaborative, which has existed since 2003, will be leaving. She was based out of Marathon County and since she is leaving, the Northwoods Collaborative will disband. We will be receiving the money we put into the Collaborative back, approximately \$6000 to be used for Preparedness. However, all the work the Collaborative did, will now fall back to each Health Department. Will need to look at options. Information only. This grant runs from July – June and was a 10 county collaborative. Will wait to see what other counties will be doing as well.

12. Referrals/Recommendations for July meeting – Ron will be doing a Public Health 101 presentation. The meeting will last approximately 1 ½ hours.

13. Motion by P. Shinnars, seconded by J. Popelka to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:
Sheila Rine