

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Wednesday, March 1st, 2017
10:00 a.m. – Health Service Center Board Room

MINUTES

PRESENT: Judy Popelka, Robert Benishek, Dr. Flowers, Patty Shinnors, Holly Matucheski, and Julie Webb

ALSO PRESENT: Sheila Rine, Ron Barger, Darlane Jansen

EXCUSED: Richard Hurlbert and Dale Dahms

1. B. Benishek called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
 - a. Reminder to silence phones
2. Pledge of Allegiance. Attendance as listed above.
3. Approve agenda – Motion by P. Shinnors, seconded by J. Popelka to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
4. Recognize members to be excused – Motion by H. Matucheski, seconded by J. Webb to excuse D. Hurlbert and D. Dahms. Motion carried.
5. Minutes of the February 1st, 2017 board meeting were approved with motion by P. Shinnors, seconded by H. Matucheski. Motion carried.
6. Public comment on agenda items, and consideration of requests for items to be added to future meeting agendas – None.
7. Review bills paid.
8. The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 5th, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.
9. Correspondence and Reports:
 - a. Legislative Update – Ron passed around from the WPHA & WALDHAB a grid showing legislative activity for 2017. Proposals include multiple counties sharing Health Departments, funding mental health programs and finding treatment programs, regulating powdered alcohol use and placement of tobacco products in retail stores. Ron has more information on these in more details if anyone wants to see them.
10. Director's report and Personnel Update:
 - a. Ron mentioned that D. Dahms is considering resigning from County Board and the Board of Health. We will to see what will happen as it hasn't officially gone through County Board yet.
11. Public Health:
 - a. Data report for February was passed around and discussed.

- b. General Public Health Update – Flu is moderate for our area per CDC. Ron received information on Seasonal Influenza Vaccination rates for the current season and Langlade County stood out related to vaccination children ages 5-18. Vaccination rates overall are still low and we should still continue to vaccinate. The flu vaccine is 48% effective for the A strain and 75% for the B strain. Dr. Flowers stated this is a bad year for RSV.
- c. Program Updates – BHLC/CHIP/Health Coalition continues to meet monthly. The next meeting will be held on March 23rd at 7:30 a.m. Sheila will send the BHLC minutes to everyone when she sends out the BOH packets. Ron stated there is a new format to the minutes and the hope is to make the community partners invested in the CHIP process. Diaper Bank – 40 packets of disposable diapers were given out along with 2 cloth starter kits. Currently working on submitting grants and next big promotion will be Mother’s Day. School nurse update – Ron received an e-mail from Kathy Bowman who stated they are dealing with flu and flu like symptoms. Darlane stated they are having the same issues in the Antigo district as well. They are seeing a huge increase in mental health issues all the way from elementary to high school. Darlane is working with Dr. McKenna to get written policies. Healthy Ways – Newsletter was passed around.

12. Old Business:

- a. Public Awareness Activities – Newspaper article was shared.
- b. Update on Animal Control Policy and Procedure – Ron stated he did talk with John Schunke and Robin Stowe about how any animal control policy would be implemented. Further discussion will need to be held to clarify Health Department role. Between now and Sept., law enforcement, Ron, Robin and Public Safety will meet to discuss roles, responsibilities and procedures.

13. New Business:

- a. Conference/Workshop attendance – BOH Members. H. Matucheski made a motion to allow any BOH member to necessary meetings with per diem and mileage, seconded by J. Popelka. Motion carried. Staff list reviewed.

14. Referrals/Recommendations for April meeting – B. Benishek stated he would like to discuss rabies and lymes. J. Webb also would like to discuss having a meeting with the school board in White Lake to discuss nursing services. After discussion, it was decided to have J. Popelka, J. Webb, D. Jansen and Ron meet to discuss talking with school administration expressing some concerns and submitting this letter to the full BOH for discussion and approval.

15. Motion by P. Shinnors, seconded by J. Popelka to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Sheila Rine