

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Wednesday, March 7, 2012
1:30 p.m. – Health Service Center Board Room

MINUTES

PRESENT: Dale Dahms, Pat McKinney-Rice, Sally Leaser, Jerrold Burns, Arlene Bonacci, Robert Benishek, Dr. Kristine Flowers

ALSO PRESENT: Ron Barger, Sheila Rine, Karen Hegranes, Keith Wolf

ABSENT: Pat Galarowicz

1. D. Dahms called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
2. Motion by B. Benishek, seconded by J. Burns to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Minutes of the Feb. 1, 2012 meeting were approved with motion by A. Bonacci, seconded by J. Burns. Motion carried.
4. Review bills paid and comp time – Motion by B. Benishek, seconded by J. Burns to approve the comp time and bills paid. Motion carried.
5. Next meeting will be Wednesday, April 4th, 2012 at 1:30 p.m.
6. Special Update – Keith Wolf, Director of Northcentral Health Care Center came to give an overview of the DD (Developmentally Disabled) Jobs Program. This program is an adult day services program where clients make crafts, etc. However, this has evolved into a Prevocational Program (70% of clients do) where they earn sub minimal wage. Fallen Neon provides piece-work for the clients on various job projects. Keith shared some of what they are working on currently. Once the clients age-out of school (typically age 21), they are referred to the DD program. These clients are paid based upon items per piece, which the staff determines the amount. 25% of clients still do other activities. Out of 37 clients, 34 clients participate in an exercise program. They also have a contract with Goodwill where the independent clients can go and get paid minimum wage. 11 clients are working in the integrated competitive site (such as Culvers, Goodwill, etc.) They will be going through a lot of changes with the CCCW program which may impact the clients and/or current programs.
7. Correspondence and Reports:
 - a. Legislative update – Ron discussed the cuts being made at the state and federal levels including radon, which may affect the Marathon County Regional Information Center which may end up having to cease operation. Also cuts in the asthma program by 50% and the lead and safe home program will be seeing significant cuts.

8. Public Health:

- a. Data report for February were passed around and discussed. Increase in communicable diseases due to the Pertussis that is going around. Since January, we have seen 8 positive cases in Langlade County. Motion by B. Benishek, seconded by A. Bonacci to approve the data report. Motion carried.
- b. Building a Healthier Langlade County – Ron gave a report on the last BHLC meeting. Items included the next Healthy Ways walk will be June 6th from 4-6 p.m. on the walkway; Strengthening Families Program has 2 more weeks left and 8 families participated; Action Alliance will be starting the Parents Who Host campaign right before Prom and Graduation. Melissa Dotter from Marathon County discussed the social host ordinances and will be coming to discuss this at Action Alliance on Monday. Karen reviewed her Cruise Control Grant that is taking place during the month of March. Karen mentioned that there is a significant amount of teenagers in accidents due to distracted driving. Dr. Flowers suggested that this committee look into passing either a city or county ordinance regarding not to text/drive. Ron will contact Robin Stowe and ask him to come to the next BOH meeting to discuss this idea.
- c. General Public Health Update – Norovirus reports are down in our area. Influenza is just starting to increase within the state. Flu vaccine is still available.
- d. Public Health Activities – On Feb. 8th, Ron attended the City Council meeting and the City Council revoked Mr. Bouche’s operations license for Forrest Ave. Trailer Park. The Light family now has control of the land, however Mr. Bouche is refusing to send the titles to the trailers. Lights have already removed the garbage and installed security lighting.

9. Personnel Update:

- a. Procedural request related to casual employee position – Ron was informed by the Finance Director that continuation of the casual clerical position needs to be approved by the over-sight committee. After much discussion, motion by A. Bonacci, seconded by P. McKinney-Rice to continue with the casual employee position as it stands currently with the employee not to work more than 40 hours per/pay period. This will be forwarded to the appropriate committees. Motion carried.
- b. Clerical staff time studies between Health and Social Services – Ron explained that the Health Department has completed 1 years worth of time studies that the professional staff has covered the clerical front desk. Both Health and Social Services front desk clerical staff are now keeping track of 1 months worth of time studies. These time studies are being undertaken in preparation of possible sharing of clerical staff between departments.

10. Old Business:

- a. Public Awareness Activities – Lots of newspaper articles.

11. New Business:

- a. General Education – Julie and a student nurse are currently at Amron doing a health fair for their employees.
- b. Conference/Workshop attendance
 1. BOH Members – The annual WALHDB/WPHA meeting will be May 21-23rd in WI Dells. Motion by B. Benishek, seconded by J. Burns to allow any BOH member to attend this meeting with per diem and mileage. Motion carried.
 2. Staff – Reviewed list.

12. Referrals/Recommendations for April meeting – Robin will be invited to the April BOH meeting to discuss the ordinance for texting/driving.

13. Motion by A. Bonacci, seconded by P. McKinney-Rice to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:
Sheila Rine