

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Wednesday, January 7th, 2015
10:30 a.m. – Health Service Center Board Room

MINUTES

PRESENT: Dale Dahms, Judy Popelka, Richard Hurlbert, Dr. Flowers, Robert Benishek, Patty Shinnars, Angela Schreiber

ALSO PRESENT: Ron Barger, Sheila Rine

ABSENT: R. Burby

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 B. Benishek, seconded by P. Shinnars to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
4. Minutes of the December 3rd, 2014 board meeting were approved with motion by P. Shinnars, seconded by D. Hurlbert. Motion carried.
5. Review bills.
6. The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 4th, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. (D. Hurlbert will not be here). Will table the alternate date/meeting times until Dr. Flowers sets her schedule.
7. Correspondence and Reports:
 - a. Legislative Update – Received the WI Counties magazine in todays mail. Reviews projections for the year. In NACCHO's report, sequester is back on the table. Discussion over budget. Caps projected to stay in place, meaning CDC could see less money.
8. Personnel Update – Ron completed all the job descriptions and employee evaluations. They are housed at the court house. The matrix was also approved at the county board meeting.
9. Public Health:
 - a. Data report for December was passed around and discussed, as well as the year to year comparison. This will also be included in the Annual report. B. Benishek requested what the top health issues are. Ron mentioned obesity as one significant issue. B. Benishek would like this put on the agenda under old business each month. Motion by B. Benishek, seconded by P. Shinnars to approve the data report for December and year to year comparison. Motion carried.
 - b. General Public Health Update – Flu is epidemic across the country. There was 1 report pediatric death in Wisconsin last week, with over 20 deaths across the country. Receiving daily updates from the state.

Pertussis – WI had 1138 cases in 2014, with 862 confirmed. Ebola has taken a back seat to the flu. There was a new algorithm regarding pets that was sent out. The flu exercise is completed. Ron is working on the after-action report.

- c. Program Update – Building a Healthier Langlade County (BHLC) and Langlade Health Coalition sub-committees continue to meet but haven't met since the last Board of Health meeting due to the holidays.
AmeriCorp – Guiding Good Choices was suppose to start yesterday but due to the weather, was pushed back a week.
Langlade Health Coalition update – No update.

10. Old Business:

- a. Public Awareness Activities – Newspaper articles were shared.

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 D. Hurlbert. Motion carried. Staff – Reviewed list.
- b. 140 Review – Ron stated the state came and J. Popelka came to represent the board. J. Popelka stated it was very interesting and she learned a lot. The Health Department passed and is certified for 5 more years as a Level II.
- c. Warming Shelters – Discussion held on warming shelters. Ron will discuss this issue with Brad, from Emergency Management.

12. Referrals/Recommendations for February meeting – None.

13. Motion by P. Shinnors, seconded by J. Popelka to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Sheila Rine