

BOARD OF HEALTH
Minutes of Regular Meeting
November 9, 2015
Kenosha County Job Center/Human Services Building

Board Members Present: Dr. James Foster, Chairman; Dr. Diane Gerlach,
Dr. Rita Kadamian, Dr. Mario Maritato, Mark Modory,
John O'Day; Dr. Maggie Regner-Hodge, Linda Weiss

Board Members Excused: Jeanne Sanchez

Staff Present: Joe Cardamone, Nicole Gehrig, Pam Halbach,
Cynthia Johnson, Mark Melotik, Dana Monticelli,
Gwen Perry-Brye, Heather Rue, Debbie Rueber,
Julie Thomson

This meeting was digitally recorded.

1. Call to Order **(on tape at 00:02:00)**

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by Linda Weiss, Vice Chairman

2. Approval of Minutes of October 14, 2015 **(on tape at 00:02:16)**

Motion to approve the minutes of October 14, 2015 by Dr. Diane Gerlach, seconded by John O'Day. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Public Comments **(on tape at 00:02:39)**

No public comments.

4. Chairman's Comments **(on tape at 00:02:42)**

Deferred - awaiting Dr. Foster's arrival
No chairman's comment's **(on tape at 00:35:15)**

5. Presentations:

- a.) Women, Infants & Children (WIC) Update - Pam Halbach, Kenosha Director of Program Operations/WIC Project Director **(on tape at 00:02:48 - 00:12:59)**
- b.) HWPP Suicide Prevention Initiative (SPI) – Debbie Rueber, SPI Coordinator **(on tape at 00:13:25 - 00:35:10)**

6. Health Officer/Director's Report (on tape at 00:35:20 – 00:36:06)

Cynthia Johnson thanked her Executive Team: Gwen Perry-Brye, Mark Melotik and professional staff for covering for her while in her absence. Thanked the Board for the recommendation of the approval of our budget.

Herzing students introduced themselves: Julie, Nicki and Heather are here for an observational experience.

Environmental

- Salmonella Outbreak of last May – CDC is very impressed with our response to this. Interested in our processing, protocols and procedures that were put into place.

Laboratory

- Successfully passed ASCLAD – the forensic laboratory audit.

Nursing

- Busy with two bacterial meningitis cases - both adults.

Adult Death Review Team

- Representatives from this team went to the American Public Health Association (APHA) to give a presentation. This was a very well received program.
- CDC grant awarded to our state. We are partnering with our state in regards to opiates and the unintended consequences.
- In discussions with our Human Services partners (Brookside and Aging & Disability Services) regarding “*Dementia Friendly Communities*”. Would like to see if there are grant dollars available to expand our dementia friendly community.

Staffing

- MCH Team Leader position open. Potentially have an individual to fill this.
- Have a nurse on Maternity Leave.
- Asthma Case Manager opening – half time position

HUD Program

- Half time position open for HUD – Risk Assessments

Child Death Review Team

- Receiving an award from the State tomorrow reflecting our advanced efforts in Kenosha County on Child Death Review. Debbie Rueber will be presenting at a live conference.
- Rita Kadamian commended the Health Department on our data collection efforts. We have been at the forefront in this and took the lead in providing valuable statistics.

7. Corporation Counsel's Report **(on tape at 00:40:13)**

None

8. Other Business as Allowed by Law **(on tape at 00:40:16)**

None

9. Closing Board Comments **(on tape at 00:40:19)**

None

10. Adjournment **(on tape at 00:40:22)**

John O'Day entertained a motion to adjourn and seconded by Dr. Mario Maritato.
Meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Prepared by Karen Kersting, Board of Health Secretary

Respectfully submitted by,

Cynthia Johnson, Health Officer/Director

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