

BOARD OF HEALTH  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
January 11, 2016  
Kenosha County Job Center/Human Services Building

Board Members Present: Dr. James Foster, Chairman; Dr. Diane Gerlach,  
Dr. Rita Kadamian, Dr. Maggie Regner-Hodge,  
Linda Weiss, Vice-Chairman

Board Members Excused: Dr. Mario Maritato, Mark Modory, John O'Day,  
Jeanne Sanchez

Staff Present: Joe Cardamone, Cynthia Johnson, Brianna Knuuti,  
Mark Melotik, John Moyer, Dr. Gwen Perry-Brye, Lori Peters,  
Elizabeth Smith, Greg Vogel

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by Dr. James Foster, Chairman

2. Approval of Minutes of November 9, 2015

Motion to approve the minutes of November 9, 2015 by Dr. Diane Gerlach, seconded by Linda Weiss, Vice-Chairman. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Public Comments

No public comments

4. Chairman's Comments

No chairman's comments

5. Presentations:

a.) Kenosha County Comprehensive Home Visiting Program (KCCHVP) – Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) & Early Head Start (EHS) – Elizabeth Smith, NFP Supervisor & Lori Peters, EHS/Team Leader – (Power Point Presentation)

- The goal of the KCCHVP is to provide education to help mother's-to-be have healthy births, then support them to develop healthy parenting skills.
- 80% - 90% of referrals come from WIC.
- Program is voluntary.
- Visits are typically 1 – 1 ½ hours, ideally in the client's home.

- Provide health education, care coordination, connection with community programs as well as KCDOH services.
- Striving to give clients' tools to make changes in their lives.
- Program has a Mental Health Consultant to connect moms with community resources.
- Goal is to normalize breastfeeding.

b). CAPSTONE PROJECT / RLP – Dr. Gwen Perry-Brye, CSD (Power Point Presentation)

- Gwen completed this project for her doctoral program which evaluates the local health department home visitation program: impact of reproductive life planning.
- Maternal mortality rates are down by 99% and infant mortality rates down 90%.
- Births spaced out more than 3 years have the lowest rate of mortality. Women are being more intentional in the timing of their pregnancies.
- Home visits build on a strong client-centered relationship in the home environment and allow for a well-informed process of planned parenting.
- Stakeholders influence policy - policy decisions improve health.
- Programs/interventions must target reducing occurrences of short interpregnancy intervals.

c). HUD-Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Grant – Greg Vogel, Lead Hazard Control Project Coordinator (Power Point Presentation)

- The Kenosha/Racine HUD Lead Program grant period is in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of a 3 year cycle (December 2014 – December 2017).
- It is a \$4.85 million grant including matching funds with supplemental \$400,000 Healthy Home funding.
- In partnership with the city of Racine targeting 35,000 house base of homes built before 1978.
- The benefits of this program are improving the health and safety of tenants and the community; improving living conditions; less energy costs; less liability for the landlord; improved value of the property; increased community awareness of this preventable disease.

6. Health Officer/Director's Report

- Working on the Strategic Plan for 2016 – 2020
- New venture – MATP (Medication Assisted Treatment Program). Developing protocols VIVITROL program.

Environmental

- POWTS (Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems) program in Kenosha County has increased considerably - \$10,000 over projection.
- Increase in new establishments and construction plans in 2016

Laboratory

- Ordering new equipment, we are assessing a possible new requirement to be CLIA (Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments) certified.

#### Maternal Child Health Team

- Kira Krause has taken the position of Team Leader

#### Communicable Disease Team

- Chlamydia and gonorrhea rates are down considerably
- Hepatitis C has been up and down
- Pertussis is on an increase

#### Nurse Family Partnership

- Brianna Knuuti has taken the position of Team Leader

#### Wellness Center/ WIC

- Betsi Smith has taken the position of Nurse Practitioner at this location

#### Fiscal

- 2015 meets/exceeds revenue projections

#### Public Health Preparedness

- There will be an exercise the week of June 13, 2016

#### 7. Corporation Counsel's Report

Due to a re-evaluation of assignments, Joe Cardamone introduced John Moyer, who will be taking his place on the Board of Health. Joe thanked everyone for his valuable experience working with this professional board.

#### 8. Other Business as Allowed by Law

None

#### 9. Closing Board Comments

None

10. Adjournment

Dr. Diane Gerlach entertained a motioned to adjourn and seconded by Linda Weiss. Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Prepared by Karen Kersting, Board of Health Secretary

Respectfully submitted by,

Cynthia Johnson, Health Officer/Director

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Dr. Foster, Chairman.

2. Election of Officers

a. Chairman

Nomination of Dr. James Foster by Dr. Rita Kadamian, seconded by Linda Weiss, Vice-Chairman. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

b. Vice-Chairman

Nomination of Linda Weiss by Dr. Rita Kadamian, seconded by Dr. Diane Gerlach. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. Appointments

a. Secretary – Karen Kersting

Motion to appoint Karen Kersting as Secretary by Dr. Rita Kadamian, seconded by Dr. Diane Gerlach. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. Approval of 2015 Meeting Schedule

Motion to approve the 2016 Meeting Schedule by Dr. Diane Gerlach, seconded by Dr. James Foster. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. Adjournment of Re-Organizational Meeting

Motion to adjourn Re-Organizational Meeting by Dr. Rita Kadamian, seconded by Dr. James Foster. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.** Re-Organizational Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Prepared by Karen Kersting, Board of Health Secretary

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Cynthia Johnson, Health Officer/Director