

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

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

Board Members Excused: Dr. Mario Maritato, Jeanne Sanchez

Staff Present: Megan Dowd, Alixandra Decker, Alaina Engholt-Hutton, Cynthia Johnson, Melissa McDarrah, John Moyer, Dr. Gwen Perry-Brye, Stacey Wians and Karen Kersting

This meeting was digitally recorded.

1. Call to Order **(on tape at 00:07:27)**

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

2. Approval of Minutes of January 11th, 2016 **(on tape at 00:07:37)**

Motion to approve the minutes of February 8th, 2016 (Regular Meeting) by Mark Modory, seconded by Linda Weiss, Vice-Chairman. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. Public Comments **(on tape at 00:07:57)**

No public comments.

4. Chairman's Comments **(on tape at 00:08:00)**

Dr. Foster congratulated Dr. Gwen Perry-Brye on her "2016 Woman of Commitment" award.

5. Presentations:

- a.) Kenosha County Health Rankings/Annual Reports/DOH/HPKC/Preparedness/PHAB – Stacey Wians, Community Health Specialist/Epi Coordinator **(on tape at 00:08:27 - 00:31:55)**
- b.) Lab: 2015 Beach Sampling Results – Alaina Engholt-Hutton **(on tape at 00:32:02 - 00:47:06)**

6. Health Officer/Director's Report **(on tape at 00:47:10 – 00:47:11)**

Recognized that we have 3 students from Herzing University doing an observation of our Board of Health. Introductions were made.

The Health Department had their “All Staff Meeting” on March 29th. At this meeting we did a staff development training on Real Colors. It is a training program accepted through our accreditation that we utilize for cultural diversity.

National Public Health Week was April 4 – April 8.

We were fortunate to have NACCHO (National Association of City and County Health Officials) Chief Program Officer, Dr. William Barnes, from Washington D.C. visit our health department. Discussed our various programs with him and he was very pleased with the high caliber programs we offer.

Environmental Team

- Concluded cross training in our POWTS Program, with one of our Public Health Tech’s receiving certification in this program.
- Currently working with Emergency Management/Sheriff’s Department/City Water & Utility WE Energies investigating the gas in the sewer lines for possible cause and mitigation.

Family/Reproductive Health Team

- One of our Nurse Practitioners was selected and received a competitive scholarship to attend the Women’s Health Conference in Kansas.
- Our MAT Program/Vivitrol Program (Medically Assisted Treatment) now has 16 individuals at different phases of involvement in the program. This is our pilot program that we are working in collaboration with PSG (Professional Services Group), Department of Aging, and Detention Center staff.

Communicable Disease Team

- We are still seeing an increase in pertussis cases.
- We were approved by the state to receive additional funding to advance adult vaccines for TDap.

Nurse Family Partnership/Parents As Teachers

- Our Family Foundation Comprehensive Home Visiting Grant (5 year cycle) is concluding and we are applying for the next 10 year cycle. Our state has been awarded 8 million plus in funding to support this program statewide.

Open Positions

- Our Mental Health Navigator has graduated from her Master’s Program and has resigned as she will be working in private practice as a therapist.
- 2 PH Nurses
- Advanced Nurse Practitioner
- Public Health Tech

- Sanitarian – we have a Public Health Tech moving into a Sanitarian position in May which will result in an open Public Health Tech position

7. Corporation Counsel's Report **(on tape at 00:54:44)**

None

8. Other Business as Allowed by Law **(on tape at 00:54:48)**

None

9. Closing Board Comments **(on tape at 00:54:50)**

10. Adjournment **(on tape at 00:54:52)**

Dr. Foster entertained a motion to adjourn and seconded by John O'Day. Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Prepared by Karen Kersting, Board of Health Secretary

Respectfully submitted by,

Cynthia Johnson, Health Officer/Director

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