

BOARD OF HEALTH
Minutes of Regular Meeting
October 10, 2016
Kenosha County Job Center/Human Services Building

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

Board Members Excused: Dr. Rita Kadamian, Jeanne Sanchez

Staff Present: Denise Gilbert, John Jansen, Cynthia Johnson, Mark Melotik,
John Moyer, Gwen Perry-Brye, Laurie Staves

This meeting was digitally recorded.

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

The meeting was called to order at 12:06 p.m. by Dr. James Foster, Chairman.

2. Approval of Minutes of June 13, 2016 **(on tape at 00:00:04)**

Motion to approve the minutes of June 13, 2016 (Regular Meeting) by
Mark Modory, seconded by John O'Day. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. Public Comments **(on tape at 00:00:16)**

No public comments.

4. Chairman's Comments **(on tape at 00:00:22)**

Dr. Foster congratulated Dr. Gerlach on her appointment to National Association of Local
Boards of Health (NALBOH).

5. Presentations:

a.) 2017 Proposed Health Department Budget – Denise Gilbert, Fiscal Manager **(on
tape at 00:01:02 - 00:20:35)**

Denise Gilbert, Fiscal Manager, Division of Health gave a power point presentation on the
2017 Budget for Division of Health Services.

MOTION to approve the 2017 budget for Division of Health Services by Dr. James Foster,
seconded by Linda Weiss. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION to approve the Board of Health Presentations for 2017 by Dr. James Foster,
seconded by Mark Modory. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6. Health Officer/Director's Report (on tape at 00:21:03 – 00:28:55)

2017 Board of Health Presentations

The first meeting in January, 2017 will be a strategic planning meeting. Our 5 year strategic plan (2011 – 2016) expires at the end of the year and we're moving into our next 5 year strategic planning process. We have hired a facilitator, Grayhorse Strategies, to walk us through the process and timeline. Once completed, they will summarize a formal, bound document for us.

Included in the process will be our staff, the Board of Health, and key stakeholders such as Pam Halbach from WIC, and John Jansen, Director, Human Services. A general overview includes: orientation, a survey sent out to our entire staff, the Board of Health, and any additional stakeholders, and two or three retreats approximately 4–6 hours in length. Each retreat will cover a different area. Anyone interested is welcome to attend all or part of the retreats which will take place in February, March and April (conference call available as well).

Dr. Foster encourages any board members interested to attend. Dates will be forwarded to the Board of Health.

Nurse Family Partnership/Parents as Teachers

Cindy distributed a letter sent to Governor Walker sharing the success of our Comprehensive Home Visitation Program and sharing the positive results that we are seeing.

We were awarded a 10-year grant for the Family Foundations Comprehensive Home Visitation Program. Over these next 10 years we will bring \$12 million into our community.

Environmental Team

Environmental staff is extremely busy. Charter 26 clean up referrals increased dramatically. In 2014 the total was 775; in 2015 the total was 1,051 and in 2016 to date- we are at 1,637. The city's mission is to clean up the city so we will continue to see the number of referrals to our department increasing.

Communicable Disease Team

Communicable diseases are also increasing: we have 200 more confirmed cases in 2016 than year-to-date 2015 and 250 more than year-to-date 2014, mainly in chlamydia and STDs.

Open Positions

Currently have 2 open public health nurse positions. Two more are on leave and of these four positions, three are levy staff. Levy staff traditionally perform our communicable disease investigation

Miscellaneous

Continuing to conduct our Community Health Needs Assessment which consists of a telephone survey to 400 homes. Cindy just completed interviewing 10 community leaders and gathered their perspective on the health issues in our community.

Prepared by Karen Kersting, Board of Health Secretary

Respectfully submitted by,

Cynthia Johnson, Health Officer/Director

NOTE: A copy of this recording is available at: www.kenoshacounty.org/cb/audio