

Board of Health: Kenosha County Division of Health

Meeting Minutes: 05.19.20

Job Center, S11; 12:00 Noon

Agenda Item	Talking Points	Action Step (Who & When)
Call to Order, Chairman	The meeting was called to order at 12:00 noon by Dr. Gerlach, Chairman (02:58)	
Approval of Minutes of	<p>Motion to approve the minutes of January 13, 2020 by Julia Robinson, seconded by John O'Day. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (00:03:06)</p> <p>Motion to approve minutes of February 11, 2020 by Mark Modory, seconded by John O'Day. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (00:03:42)</p>	
Public Comments	None (00:04:04)	
Chairman's Comments	<p>Dr. Gerlach stated that there is a CDC Webinar today on Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children Associated with Coronavirus Disease 2019.</p> <p>There is also a NALBOH Town Hall on May 28th discussing the legal and ethical challenges while dealing with COVID-19. (00:04:12)</p>	Karen will forward links
Corporation Counsel's Report	None (00:06:11)	
Health Officer/Directors Report	<p>Jen stated that she wanted to get the group together for an update as the Health Department has been solely focused on COVID-19 since March.</p> <p>Due to the recent Supreme Court decision, the hope was to keep our order for Kenosha County. We received emails from angry residents, push back, and a decision was made to withdraw the order for Kenosha County.</p> <p>We are working on ramping up our work force as we have not reached our peak yet. We are still recommending the restriction of mass gatherings, keeping long term care facilities closed to visitors, and educating businesses on compliance.</p> <p>Discussion/questions/comments ensued on state/federal dollars, contact tracing, Kenosha Kickstart Plan.</p> <p>Members thanked Jen/Health Department for the excellent job they are doing and would like to offer any support they can.</p> <p>The Board would like to get the message out to the public highlighting the science of the virus. Discussion on different avenues (Letter to the Editor, radio, working with hospitals, etc.) to deliver this message.</p>	Dr. Foster will draft a letter that everyone will provide input to.

	<p>Discussed bringing in WEAVR volunteers, retired health professionals, etc. to help with Contact Tracing.</p> <p>Main focus is on COVID, but clinic is open for Drug UA's, Vivitrol, Depo, and slowly adding STI testing.</p> <p>Three open positions have been filled in the health department: Clinical Services Manager and 2 Nurse Practitioners. We have been navigating COVID without these positions.</p> <p>Discussion regarding bringing back some of our critical services. (00:06:55 -00:56:09)</p>	
Other Business as Allowed by Law	None (00:56:11)	
Closing Board Comments	Next meeting is June 9, 2020 noon – 1	
Adjournment	<p>Motion to adjourn meeting by Mark Modory, seconded by John O'Day. Meeting adjourned at 12:56 p.m. (00:56:18)</p> <p>Prepared by Karen Kersting, Board of Health Secretary</p> <p>Respectfully submitted by Jen Freiheit, Health Officer/Director</p>	

Present: Dr. Diane Gerlach, John O'Day, Dr. James Foster, Jen Freiheit, Julia Robinson, Liane Blanck, John Moyer, Mark Modory, Dr. Rita Ventura

Absent: Dr. Regner-Hodge