

**Board of Health: Kenosha County Public Health****Unofficial Meeting Minutes: 07.13.21**

Virtual Meeting – 12:00 Noon

Agenda Item	Talking Points	Action Step (Who & When)
<b>Call to Order, President</b>	The meeting was called to order at 12:03 pm. <b>(00:00:06)</b>	
<b>Approval of Minutes of May 11, 2021 &amp; June 8, 2021</b>	Motion to approve the minutes of May 11, 2021 and June 8, 2021 deferred until October in person meeting. <b>(00:00:11)</b>	
<b>Public Comments</b>	None <b>(00:00:23)</b>	
<b>President's Comments</b>	Aurora is moving their vaccine clinic into Primary Care offices to be able to offer the Covid vaccine while patient is at their appointment. Hoping this will lead to higher numbers of vaccines. <b>(00:00:35)</b>	
<b>Corporation Counsel's Report</b>	Working on parameters for meeting virtually. Action can be taken with a quorum (October Budget meeting & January election of officers) as we will meet in person twice a year. We can hold a special meeting if we need to act and vote on an issue. Purchased a current copy of <i>Roberts Rules of Order</i> that we will be following. <b>(00:01:10 – 00:02:25)</b>	
<b>Health Officer/Director's Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <b>COVID Update</b></li><li>b. <b>Equity update</b></li><li>c. <b>County Health Rankings data brief</b></li><li>d. <b>Other Public Health Services Update</b></li></ul>	<p>Please read last month's minutes.</p> <p><b>COVID UPDATE</b></p> <p>Covid numbers are ticking up ever so slightly in the wrong direction. Hospitalizations are still low. We will soon be offering COVID testing at the Job Center by appointment or phone call through the NOD clinic. UW-Parkside testing will close September 30<sup>th</sup> and the Kenosha Community Health Center is no longer at Chase Bank downtown.</p> <p>Holding 6-8 mobile clinics per week which is building trust through outreach in the community. These mobile clinics will continue throughout the summer.</p> <p>Planning for KUSD in the fall as by September, Covid vaccine for 2 thru 12 year old's should be approved. This will keep us busy through mid-October. Will direct clients to their providers for booster shots. We are seeing 25-30 people per week at our clinic for the vaccine.</p> <p>Substance misuse, mental health, and violence prevention are rising to the top of health department issues. Forcing us to look at equity and social determinants of health in ways we never have before.</p> <p>The Home Visiting Program is planning an outdoor event for their families on August 24 at Anderson Park</p>	

	<p>from 12-3 pm. There will be activities, lunch, and resource tables from local community partners such as our Lead Program, CARE Net, Urban Outreach, and the Fatherhood Initiative (Sharmain Harris).</p> <p>Narcan has been busy doing trainings in the community, with 106 kits distributed in the last month:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6/16/ County employees – 22 kits</li> <li>• 6/22 Trevor-Twin Lakes – 13 kits</li> <li>• 6/27 Women’s Wellness/Parade – 14 kits</li> <li>• 6/29 Treasurer’s office – 2 kits + 1 replacement</li> <li>• 6/30 County employees – 8 kits</li> <li>• 7/2 Uptown/Downtown – 40 kits</li> <li>• 7/9 ME’s office – 6 kits</li> </ul> <p>Planning for KUSD in the fall to improve our nursing services in the schools.  Lead program revamp – needing more pediatricians doing 3 before 3 lead testing.  SAMHSA and Black Infant Mortality grants applied for. Should find out if received in December.  Going through Early Head Start and Reproductive Health Family Planning (FHFP) Federal audits.</p> <p>Former Environmental Sanitarian, Lorma Wendt, has accepted the position of Environmental Health Supervisor. We will be hiring a new Environmental Sanitarian and Environmental Health Tech.</p> <p><b>EQUITY UPDATE</b>  Our Public Health Strategist – Equity would like to have a conversation with each of you on equity as you are our community liaisons. Your perspective is vital. A report will be put together for the board.</p> <p><b>COUNTY HEALTH RANKINGS DATA BRIEF</b>  Every year a nation-wide group (stationed in Madison) assesses every county in America on their health rankings and comes up with a nation-wide health ranking. Kenosha has slightly improved in the rankings in health outcomes and health factors, but that is due to other counties in the state doing worse than us.</p> <p>Every 3 years we do a community needs assessment that is paid for by Aurora. Phone interviews of 400 people. We base our community improvement plan off this.</p> <p>In September/October, we would like to revamp Healthy People Kenosha County.</p> <p>The county is working on our budget. It is due July 30<sup>th</sup> and then they meet with the County Executive in August and will be up for approval at our October budget meeting.</p>	<p>Jen will send out an email to schedule a 1-1 conversation</p>
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<b>Other Business as Allowed by Law</b>	Roger re-introduced himself to the Board (00:34:42)	
<b>Closing Board Comments</b>	<p>August meeting will be cancelled. Next meeting September 14, 2021</p> <p><b>October 12, 2021 meeting will be in person – Budget Meeting</b></p>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm. (00:36:39)</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, Jen Freiheit, John Moyer, Julia Robinson, Sharmain Harris, Roger Perez, Dr. Regner-Hodge

**Excused:** Dr. James Foster, Dr. Rita Ventura