



Peoria County Board of Health Minutes of June 16, 2014 Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Trachtenbarg Dr. Wortham
Mr. Waters Ms. Simpson
Ms. Groves-Allison Ms. Harant
Ms. Sullivan Dr. Roehm
Ms. Williams Dr. Na'Allah

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dr. Hippler Rev. Duren

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Greg Chance, Public Health Administrator
Mr. Curt Fenton, Director of Child & Family Health
Ms. Gene Huber, Director of Finance
Mr. Wil Hayes, Director of Environmental Health
Ms. Jean Bellisario, Director of Infectious Disease
Ms. Kristin Grubb, Administrative Assistant
Ms. Carey Panier, Assistant Director of Environmental Health
Ms. Diana Scott, Public Information Officer/Community Outreach
Ms. Monica Hendrickson, Epidemiologist
Mr. Todd Baker, Unity Point
Mr. Robert Rivoli

Item 1 - Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Dr. Trachtenbarg.

Item 2 - Pledge of Allegiance

Item 3 - Comments from the Public

There were no public comments.

Item 4 - President's Comments

Mr. Chance stated that that the Peoria County Board took action regarding Board of Health member appointments based on the recommendation from the Board of Health. Dr. Trachtenbarg, Ms. Sullivan, and Ms. Harant were all reappointed. Todd Baker was appointed to replace Mr. Waters, whose term ends June 30th.

Item 5 - Consent Agenda Items

Ms. Harant asked about the number of positions being held vacant. Mr. Chance stated that there is a lack of work or workforce capacity issues keeping these positions vacant. A motion was made by Dr. Wortham to approve the consent agenda items. Motion was seconded by Dr. Roehm. Motion carried (10, 0).

Item 6 - Administration & Governance Committee Report

Dr. Roehm stated that the Administration & Governance Committee is recommending that the goals in Strategic Plan Goal #3 be revised to reflect that the Epidemiologist has not been at the agency throughout the entire term of the Plan. Motion was seconded by Ms. Harant. Motion carried (10, 0).

Dr. Roehm stated that the Committee also discussed the draft FY15 budget as well as the contract with Marshall County Board of Health, which expires at the end of this year. It is expected that the contract will be renewed, though there are concerns from the Marshall County Board of Health regarding its ability to afford services provided by PCCHD. Ms. Harant asked about the Regional Public Health Hub. Mr. Chance stated that this mirrors the discussion regarding regional population health improvement to align and optimize resources in a regional perspective. Dr. Roehm stated that the Committee also discussed IDPH's request for a new Community Health Improvement Plan by September 2015. This does not appear to coincide with the five year requirement from the date the previous Plan was adopted. Mr. Chance stated that it is hoped that a Plan can be done to coincide with that of the hospitals'. The Director of IDPH has indicated that, if a health department becomes accredited, its community health planning cycle can align with that of accreditation. Ms. Harant expressed concern regarding losing focus on significant problems in Peoria County by looking at regional issues.

Item 7 - Community Health Services Committee Report

Ms. Sullivan stated that the Community Health Services Committee discussed the draft FY15 budget. The Committee was given a presentation regarding the Affordable Care Act and In-Person Counselor program. The Community Transformation Grant was also discussed at the Committee meeting. This grant ends in September; however, a meeting with agencies involved in the grant's activities was held last week. Discretionary funds from the Health Department could continue some programs. Ms. Sullivan stated that infant mortality was also discussed; more information is needed regarding this issue.

Item 8 - Health Protection Services Committee Report

Ms. Simpson stated that the Health Protection Committee discussed the draft FY15 budget. Ms. Harant stated that Mr. Marks reported on challenges with the Medical Reserve Corps and individuals not wanting to participate due to potential liability issues. Ms. Simpson stated that the Committee also discussed lead hazard mitigation. Ms. Harant asked if high levels of lead are found in soil. Mr. Hayes stated that lead is found in soil samples; however, the largest issue is dust from lead-based paint on windows.

Item 9 - Administrator's Comments

In the first item of business, a motion was made by Ms. Simpson to approve the financial services report. Motion was seconded by Mr. Waters. Ms. Huber reviewed the report. In response to a question regarding the cost of garbage collection, Ms. Huber stated that the expense decreased due to infectious waste collection being removed from the trash collection line item. Motion carried (10, 0).

In the next item of business, Mr. Chance reviewed the goals of the Strategic Plan. There was discussion regarding regional health improvement hubs. Mr. Chance stated that Quality Quest is attempting to establish an administrative platform for a regional health

improvement collaboration to be convened. There was discussion regarding what Quality Quest is doing and its relationship to the Board. Mr. Chance stated that Focus Forward Central Illinois (FFCI) is focused on economic development and promoting the region as a quality of place and healthier community. FFCI asked Quality Quest to help fulfill their mission. Quality Quest conducted internal restructuring to be, within a regional structure, a neutral convener to align the mission/vision of community health improvement plans and create a structure to optimize resources. Mr. Chance stated that IDPH is now looking at a regional health improvement model to align groups around priority population health issues. Quality Quest believes it can convene competing interests to address those issues. Mr. Chance reminded the Board that they authorized him to fill the role of Managing Director for Quality Quest. He added that the best way to reduce health care costs is to have a healthier population and some of the most significant factors are socioeconomic indicators. Ms. Harant stated that she would like to have a meeting with Quality Quest Board members as she doesn't understand what they are bringing to the table. Ms. Sullivan stated that she would like to have a presentation on examples of regional health improvement models. Mr. Chance stated that there is an exploratory workgroup of Quality Quest that is discussing if a regional approach to population health improvement can be created. He added that if there is not a commitment from the health departments and hospitals by the end of the summer, Quality Quest will need to reevaluate its mission, vision, and existence. Dr. Trachtenberg stated that issues will exist regardless if Quality Quest is there or not. Mr. Chance stated that the need to engage the community and community health system stakeholders will still exist as well. Mr. Chance stated that he is challenged with meeting the interests of individual Board members vs. the interests of the Board as a whole. Dr. Trachtenberg stated that a Board of Health retreat will be scheduled later in the year; population health improvement strategies will be included in that discussion.

In the next item of business, Mr. Chance stated that the current HUD Lead Hazard Control Grant expires in September; the Health Department is in the midst of developing a proposal for another funding cycle. The Health Department received a 100% performance rating from HUD for every quarter of the current grant.

In the next item of business, Mr. Chance stated that the Accreditation site visit has been scheduled for September 4th and 5th. The site visit team will want to meet with the governing board. A pre-meeting session will be held for the Board to prepare to meet with the site visitors. More information will be shared with the Board as it is received.

Item 10 - Old Business

Mr. Chance reviewed the legislative update information that was provided in the packet.

Mr. Chance stated that the Care Coordination Roll Out is intended to reduce Medicaid expenses in the State of Illinois budget. Reimbursements should be received in a more timely manner if a client is part of a coordinated care program. Mr. Chance stated that, if care coordination achieves its vision, he expects to see fewer clients coming to the Health Department for clinical billable services.

Item 11 - New Business

Mr. Chance stated that one practice of a high performing entity is to review its governance structure; for the Board of Health, this is the Bylaws. Dr. Roehm stated that the

Administration & Governance Committee will review the Bylaws at its July meeting for possible revisions.

Mr. Chance stated that the draft FY15 budget has been discussed by each Committee. The Committees should take action on the draft budget at their July meetings. The draft budget will then be on the August Board of Health agenda as an action item. Mr. Chance stated that a 10% increase to health insurance was included in the draft FY15 budget as the actual amount is not currently known. He added that County IT is trying to calculate a formula to determine cost for IT support services. Mr. Chance stated that out of the last five years of deficit budgets, there was only one year that actually ended with a cash shortfall.

Item 12 - Adjournment

Being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Sullivan. Motion was seconded by Ms. Simpson. Motion carried (10, 0).

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Harant, MS
Secretary