



Peoria County Board of Health Minutes of September 2, 2014 Meeting

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ms. Sullivan Rev. Duren
Mr. Baker

STAFF PRESENT: Greg Chance, Public Health Administrator
Kristin Grubb, Administrative Assistant
Melissa Hall Adamson, Director of Community Health Policy &
Planning/Assistant Administrator
Wil Hayes, Director of Environmental Health
Jean Bellisario, Director of Infectious Disease
Monica Hendrickson, Epidemiologist
Gene Huber, Director of Financial Services
Kelly Stewart, Community Health Programs Manager
Diana Scott, Public Information Officer/Community Outreach
Emily Connors, Human Resources Coordinator
Nicole Ingold, Public Health Programs Manager
Curt Fenton, Director of Child & Family Health
Meredith Littell, Assistant Director of Infectious Disease

OTHERS PRESENT: Lori Curtis Luther, Peoria County Administrator
Kate Van Beek, Assistant County Administrator/Health & Human
Services
Tracy Fox, Central Illinois Healthy Community Alliance

Item 1 - Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Dr. Trachtenbarg.

Item 2 - Pledge of Allegiance

Item 3 - Comments from the Public

There were no public comments.

Dr. Trachtenbarg stated that, due to having guests from County Administration in attendance, approval of the FY15 proposed budget was being moved up on the agenda. A motion was made by Ms. Harant to approve the FY15 Budget. Motion was seconded by Dr. Wortham. Mr. Chance introduced Lori Curtis Luther, Peoria County Administrator and Kate Van Beek, Assistant County Administrator/Health & Human Services who were in

attendance to address any issues related to the FY15 Budget. He stated that budget information was presented in committee meetings; due to uncertainty regarding IT and risk management costs, Administration & Governance Committee deferred action on the proposed FY15 Budget. Mr. Chance stated that the line item for IT has increased from \$200,000.00 to \$390,000.00. There is also an added expense for Risk Management Fund contribution. Additionally, Mr. Chance stated that there have been slight increases to revenues. He added that there is interest from the County Board to utilize the public health levy to support the Community Crisis Center. Leadership from the Human Service Center contacted Peoria County to discuss the role of the Community Crisis Center for helping individuals with acute episodic mental health issues and the Center's ability to provide services rather than the individual being taken to jail or a hospital emergency room. Mr. Chance stated that the State Statutes allow for the public health levy to be used for the delivery of mental health services. If the Board supports this, grant language would be developed. Ms. Curtis Luther stated that the Peoria County Board has not made a policy decision regarding funding the Community Crisis Center. She added that the concept would be an increase to the property tax rate for the Health Department, which seems poised to create the most appropriate outcome measurements to quantify the public's return on investment. If the Board of Health supports this issue, it will move forward to the County Board for consideration. In response to a question regarding how large of a grant is being sought for the Community Crisis Center, Ms. Curtis Luther stated \$200,000.00. Mr. Chance stated that the Human Service Center sees the Community Crisis Center as a focal point of building a more robust community mental health system. The Mental Health Advisory Group also sees the Center as a building block for that vision. Ms. Curtis Luther further stated that County Administration has been undercharging all departments for IT services. There is not enough in the IT fund balance to absorb the costs; therefore the Health Department is being asked to pay 90% of IT costs based on the new formula. Regarding Risk Management costs, Ms. Curtis Luther stated that this includes insurance and unemployment. There was discussion regarding the fund balance and access to funding if there was a public health emergency; there was also discussion regarding the added expenses in the budget and the possible impact on client services. Motion carried (9, 0).

Item 4 - President's Comments

Dr. Trachtenbarg asked for volunteers to serve on this year's Nominating Committee. Dr. Wortham, Dr. Na'Allah, and Dr. Hippler volunteered; Mr. Chance stated that Administration will provide direction to the Committee.

Item 5 - Consent Agenda Items

A motion was made by Ms. Harant to approve the consent agenda items. Motion was seconded by Dr. Hippler. Motion carried (9, 0).

Item 6 - Administration & Governance Committee Report

Mr. Chance stated that the Administration & Governance Committee reviewed and discussed two recommended changes to the bylaws. The first change is to include a section for members participating via technological means; the other is regarding public comments. Mr. Chance stated that the State's Attorney's Office supports these changes. A motion was made by Ms. Harant to delete the following sentence from the proposed language regarding public comment: "The President may also deny a person's opportunity to speak if that person has previously addressed the Board on the same subject within the past two (2) months." Motion was seconded by Ms. Simpson. Motion carried (7, 2-Hippler, Na'Allah). A motion was made by

Dr. Roehm to approve the proposed changes to the Bylaws as amended. Motion was seconded by Dr. Wortham. Motion carried (9, 0).

Mr. Chance stated that the contract for services with the Marshall County Board of Health was approved by the Marshall County Board of Health at its last meeting. Greg did inform the Board that the Marshall County Board of Health continues to discuss the cost of the current model of service delivery. A motion was made by Dr. Roehm to approve the contract for services with the Marshall County Board of Health. Motion was seconded by Dr. Wortham. Motion carried (9, 0).

Mr. Chance stated that the recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office is that all Executive Session minutes currently kept confidential remain held in confidence. A motion was made by Ms. Simpson to approve the recommendation for Executive Session minutes to remain confidential. Motion was seconded by Dr. Hippler. Motion carried (9, 0).

Item 7 - Community Health Services Committee Report

Mr. Chance stated that that the Community Health Services Committee continues to evaluate the issues of Maternal Child Health indicators and outcomes within Peoria County. The Committee is looking at different opportunities for the Health Department to lead a community effort to address some of the factors influencing poor health outcomes, particularly in African American households. The Committee is also reviewing the possibility of continuing work being conducted by the Community Transformation Grant. Ms. Sullivan has led discussions with stakeholders to see if initiatives can be continued past when the current grant ends on September 29th. The YMCA, Gifts in the Moment, and the Hult Center for Healthy Living have been involved in these discussions. Mr. Chance stated that there is money in the budget for 2014 and 2015 for community health improvement activities.

Item 8 - Health Protection Services Committee Report

Ms. Simpson stated that the Committee approved a recommendation to send a letter from the Board to Dynegy Inc. regarding the ED Edward Plant potential influence on public health. The Committee also approved a proposed new Potable Water Well Code for Peoria County. Tracy Fox from Central Illinois Healthy Community Alliance presented information on the ED Edward Plant. Dr. Hippler commented that there is a high level of childhood asthma and that, as a Health Department, it is better to focus on health issues. A motion was made by Dr. Roehm to have staff work with the Board President on a revised letter for the Board to review at its October meeting. Motion was seconded by Dr. Na'Allah. In response to a request to have more local evidence of the effects of the power plant, Mr. Chance stated that some of the data could be mapped. He added that this is an example of the Environmental Protection Agency and state public health department not working well together. Mr. Chance added that it is important to take the right approach when trying to open communication with the leadership of Dynegy. He also stated that this is a new role/activity for the Board/Health Department which needs to broaden the perspective of what influences health. Motion carried (8, 0; Williams abstained).

Mr. Chance stated that the current Water Well Code needs to be amended due to changes in the State Statutes as well as Administrative Code. The biggest issue is the addition of regulations of geothermal wells. Mr. Chance stated that the proposed rules at the state level were compiled by industry representatives; therefore, this issue is not as dynamic as the Onsite Wastewater Treatment Code changes. Mr. Hayes summarized the Code, which has been approved by the State's Attorney's Office and IDPH. Mr. Chance reminded the Board

that, if approved for recommendation of adoption, the County Board also has to approve it. A motion was made by Ms. Simpson to approve the proposed new Potable Water Well Code for Peoria County. Motion was seconded by Ms. Harant. Motion carried (9, 0).

Item 9 - Administrator's Comments

A motion was made by Ms. Simpson to approve the Financial Services Report. Motion was seconded by Dr. Wortham. Motion carried (9, 0).

Mr. Chance stated that there were zero findings for the Health Department by the auditor for the FY13 audit. He acknowledged Gene Huber and her staff for their work regarding this positive outcome.

Mr. Chance stated that the Regional Population Health Improvement Workgroup has been investigating the engagement of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) to assist in the development of a regional approach to population health improvement. Mr. Chance stated that the Quality Quest Board of Directors approved a motion to engage IHI and to contribute \$15,000.00 toward the \$70,000.00 cost. Advanced Medical Transport will be contributing \$5,000.00. Mr. Chance stated that he is requesting \$15,000.00 from the Board of Health. A motion was made by Dr. Roehm for the Board of Health to contribute \$15,000.00 towards engagement with IHI. Motion was seconded by Dr. Hippler. Mr. Chance stated that a community health system stakeholder workgroup has been leading discussions with IHI; the Workgroup consists of Dr. Hippler, Harry Wolin from Mason District Hospital, Amy Fox from Tazewell County Health Department, Tammy Duvendack from Unity Point Methodist/Proctor, Jim Hefti from ATS, and Jeff Bogdan from Federal Companies. Mr. Chance added that he has a meeting scheduled with Caterpillar to seek financial support, which is also being sought from the hospitals. Motion carried (9, 0).

Mr. Chance reminded the Board that the Accreditation Site Visit is Thursday and Friday, September 4th and 5th. The review team will meet with Board of Health members at 11:30 on Thursday in the Board Room to get the Board's perspective on Accreditation. Mr. Chance stated that it is not expected that the Health Department will know until December regarding being accredited.

Mr. Chance stated that there are three sets of proposed rules under review in the 45 day public comment period at the Joint Commission on Administrative Rules. One of the proposed rules is in regards to regulating beer gardens under the Smoke Free Illinois Act. Another issue is proposed rules to allow the sale of non-pasteurized milk. The Illinois Department of Natural Resources submitted rules regarding fracking, which causes debate on public policy and economic growth. Mr. Chance stated that all three issues will be monitored.

Mr. Chance introduced Melissa Hall Adamson, Director of Community Health Policy & Planning Division/Assistant Administrator.

Item 10 - Old Business

Ms. Ingold stated that a Report highlighting areas of achievement as well as challenges was included in the Board meeting agenda packet. The dashboard continues to be utilized so program areas can track their progress. Quality improvement projects have been implemented. Ms. Stewart stated that improvements have been achieved regarding the use of performance outcomes in the agency and employees are becoming more involved in the

Performance Management process. Mr. Chance stated that 2015 Performance Management outcome measures are also being developed and will work through the committee process in November.

Item 11 - Adjournment

Being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Simpson to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Dr. Wortham. Motion carried (9, 0).

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Harant, MS
Secretary