



BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, February 25, 2020

BOARD MEMBERS:

Georgia Hanigan, Commissioner, Payette County
Nate Marvin, Commissioner, Washington County (Excused)
Tom Dale, Commissioner, Canyon County
Kelly Aberasturi, Commissioner, Owyhee County (Excused)
Viki Purdy, Commissioner, Adams County
Sam Summers, MD, Physician Representative
Bryan Elliott, Commissioner, Gem County

STAFF MEMBERS:

Nikki Zogg, Jaime Aanensen, Clay Roscoe, Doug Doney, Carol Julius, Katrina Williams, Troy Cunningham, Cristina Froude

GUESTS: Gene A. Petty, Third District Judge

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER -- CHAIR

Chairman Elliott called the business meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

Chairman Elliott asked for additional agenda items. An informational item for the new employee introductions was added.

MOTION – Commissioner Dale made a motion to approve the amended agenda as presented. Dr. Summers seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

New employees were introduced.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF 01/28/2020 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board members reviewed Board meeting minutes from January 28, 2020. The spelling of guest Katie Lamansky's name will be corrected as noted by Jaime Aanensen.

MOTION: Dr. Summers made a motion to approve the January 28, 2020 meeting minutes with the one change requested. Commissioner Hanigan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT:

Troy Cunningham presented the January 2020 Expenditure and Revenue Report. The target for expenditures and revenues at this point in the fiscal year is 58%. Revenues are at 55% and overall expenditures are at 51%. The net cash position has come down since the last time and means our revenues and expenditures are a little closer to each other. Each of the different types of revenues and their progress are represented within the charts.

SOLID WASTE INSPECTION AND FEE DISCUSSION

Jaime Aanensen updated Board members on the fee review processes underway in Environmental and Community Health Services. Currently, staff are working to clear up inconsistencies between state law,

rules, and the memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) addressing which facilities are inspected, the frequency of inspections and who pays for fees. Jaime is in discussion with DEQ to review and update their MOU and has also asked DEQ to review and update their rules as needed. Jaime also explained that several private stations are proposing to work independently with the county commissioners rather than be subject to health district inspections. These private facilities include Vision Recycling, a new site that does recycling of wood products, and Nampa C and D, a company that recycles construction and demo materials. Westtown's in Owyhee County is also a private station.

Nikki explained that the Memorandum of Understanding is not binding and the Environmental Health Directors from the seven districts will work with DEQ and the public health district directors to address any needed law change.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Ricky Bowman, Public Health Preparedness and Response Program Manager, provided an update on the novel coronavirus. The virus has been renamed CoVID-19/SARS-CoV-2. Idaho Bureau of Laboratories (IBL) has received test kits from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) but has not received the final go ahead and approval to perform that testing.

The district's response activities include regular conference calls and receipt of daily situation reports. Rumor control and public information management are priorities for the health districts. Clinic staff have published guidance primarily focused on identifying potential persons needing further investigation. Dr. Roscoe explained that the mortality rate from Coronavirus is very low compared to other pandemics including SARS and MERS.

SPECIAL REPORT: FIT AND FALL PROOF

Jordan Seward, Health Educator, provided an overview of the Fit and Fall Proof (FFP) exercise program. The program's goal is to help participants maintain an independent, freely functioning lifestyle.

Fit and Fall Proof was developed in Idaho in 2004 and has helped over 2,400 Idaho adults stay fit, prevent falls, and form lasting friendships. There are 17 sites in the Southwest region of Idaho. New leader training and refresher workshops for current leaders are also available. Recently, SWDH received a grant for a FFP pilot program focusing on helping cancer survivors retain, regain, and maintain strength and mobility.

WESTERN IDAHO COMMUNITY CRISIS CENTER UPDATE

Cristina Froude, SWDH Project Manager, updated board members on the Western Idaho Community Crisis Center (WICCC). Staff are working to incorporate the crisis center as a discharge option to help facilitate discharge from emergency departments and psychiatric units. Canyon County Jail contractors through their medical and mental health units. Board members discussed follow up, counseling care referrals, etc. for clients who discharge from the crisis center.

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

The SWDH strategic planning committee has reviewed community health needs assessments and climate assessment data, and is working with Jaime and her staff to begin to build on objectives and key results. The committee will continue to actively work on the objectives and key results, get leadership team approval, and finalize them for each priority area. Cristina will provide finalized objectives and key results to board members. Cristina will send Dr. Summers an email to ask his input earlier in the process of developing these OKRs.

BLUE CROSS OF IDAHO FOUNDATION PROJECT RESULTS

Southwest District Health received a \$75,000 grant from Blue Cross of Idaho Foundation (BCIF) to assess the behavioral health crisis model in our region and identify gaps in services. Part of this process included completing a readiness assessment, a system map, a gap analysis, ethnography work, and market

analysis on the behavioral health system currently in place and identifying steps to develop a better system. The top recommendations to BCIF are utilization of a structure similar to the sequential intercept mapping, community outreach, organization and provider accountability, upskilling communities, and utilization of a crisis intervention team.

THIRD DISTRICT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROJECT

Gene Petty, District Judge, attended to provide board members an update on his work to provide access to behavioral health services. Lifeways, Southwest District Health, and the Third District Court joined forces to lead a community-wide project. He discussed the group's plan and their goals. Historically, he explained that there has been a shift from state hospitals to community based treatment and resources. When community based treatment and resources did not materialize the management of individuals impacted by behavioral health crises shifted from hospitals to law enforcement and emergency rooms.

This work is part of a statewide effort. The Governor, Supreme Court Justices, and Legislators announced a statewide behavioral health council of 13 members charged with developing a strategic plan for the state's behavioral health needs with a deadline of the end of October. This deadline will align with the beginning of the next legislative session.

CLINIC UPDATE

The clinic is almost fully staffed. The project to provide nursing services a few days per month in the Marsing School District is continuing. Staff have met with the superintendent of schools, the after school activities coordinator, and the school principals. The schools' needs were outlined and SWDH staff are developing a plan to meet those needs.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL UPDATE

Commissioner Dale reported on the recent meeting of the Executive Council. Topics discussed included the Governor's office intervention to set district director salaries, home visiting funding, and the upcoming Idaho Association of District Boards of Health (IADBH) meeting in Pocatello scheduled for June 10-11, 2020.

CALDWELL FACILITY RE-SIDING

The project to remove and replace stucco siding at the Caldwell facility continues to be on track. No structural issues have been encountered.

MONEY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH BUSINESS – MEALS

Historically, SWDH hosts a lot of community classes and trainings. Unless specifically allowed by the Federal contract most of these meetings are ineligible for meals and refreshments under state policy. Some of the staff have asked for approvals for snack or food to incentivize participation. Nikki brought this request to the Board members for consideration.

Board members are not opposed to providing refreshments or food at meetings when doing so assists us in carrying out SWDH's mission (e.g., convening community partners, engaging youth, educating youth, adults, parents, seniors, and other populations). Board members directed SWDH staff to draft a policy with a proposed budget and requested feedback at a future meeting before implementing any policies.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Legislative Update

Nikki provided a legislative update and discussed bills that may potentially impact public health districts. She highlighted House Bill 341, the No Surprise Act, which has been revised a few times. A letter of support was provided to the legislators who enacted the No Surprise Act.

Annual audits

The next audit with Legislative Services Office (LSO) will begin this year. Historically, the audits are not timely and are very costly. Several other health districts have had similar experiences. Nikki sought guidance from Board members to support Doug and Troy in investigating other audit options and proceeding with a request to no longer participate in LSO audits. Board members supported Nikki in exploring new audit options.

Climate assessment

This item will be carried over to the March agenda.

IADBH Conference – June 10-11, 2020

The next conference Idaho Association of District Boards of Health (IADBH) will be held in Pocatello on June 10-11, 2020.

Shuttle Donation

St. Luke's donated a low mileage shuttle van and Nikki asked for ideas for how to use the vehicle. This discussion topic will be added to the Board of Health agenda next month.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved as written:



Nikole Zogg
Secretary to the Board



Bryan Elliott
Chairman

Dated: March 17, 2020