

Winnebago County Health Department Board of Health Minutes



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**Winnebago County
Health Department**

Date: June 17, 2022 **Time:** 7:30-9:30am **Location:** ZOOM and in person

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In Person: Room 120 at the County Administration Building, 112 Otter Avenue

| Attendees: | | | | | | |
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| Rachel Youngquist | Jeffrey J Beem | Ralph Harrison | Mike Norton | | | Karen Powers |
| Toby Vanden Heuvel | Lois Gruetzmacher | Eric Smiltneek | Ashley Mukasa | Heidi Keating | Melissa Stahmann | Anne Boyce |
| | Sarahjean Schluechtermann | Julia Salomón | Alana Erickson | Doug Gieryn | | |
| Invited Guests/In attendance | | | | | | |
| Lynnsey Erickson | Conley Hanson | | | | | |
| Not in attendance (excused) | | | | | | |
| Ashlee Rahmlow | Shelley Brown-Giebel | Paula McNeil | Jamie Thibodeaux | | | |

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| 1. Call to Order | Chair | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting called to order at by: Rachel Youngquist, 7:46 am | |
| 2. Roll Call | Secretary | Do we have a quorum? yes BOH voting members present: Ralph Harrison, Jeffrey J Beem, ,Karen Powers, Rachel Youngquist, Mike Norton, Toby Vanden Heuvel, Lois Gruetzmacher | |
| 3. Approval of Minutes | Secretary | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May Meeting Video Recording. Motion to approve previous meeting minutes reviewed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to approve minutes by: Mike Norton Second by: Jeff Beem Voting: All in favor. All | |
| 4. Public Comment | Public | No public comment | |
| 5. Business | Various | Agenda items A. Director and Staff Update – introductions and brief reports Doug (Health Officer): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Onboarded 2 vacancies: | |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lead Abatement Coordinator: Scott Fischer, minimum commitment to remove lead from 15 homes, entirely grant funded ○ Public Health Aid;; Ashley Beattie ● Community Health Strategist; accepted offer ● Policy and Equity Coordinator; open ● EH Sanitarian; 1 open position <p>Anne Boyce (Environmental Health):</p> <p><u>SANITARIAN:</u> (licensing and inspections of establishments) ~80%</p> <p>End of inspection year 6/30 - we are working on finishing inspections about 50 to do yet. Working on the outdoor pools and seasonal campground inspections.</p> <p>New establishments - The Taqureia, Chicago House of Hoagies, Brewing Futures (OASD Food Truck)</p> <p>Change of owners- Screwballs, Circle R Campground</p> <p><u>ENVIRONMENTAL:</u> (inspection of wells, radon consultation, lead environmental inspections, beach and boat launch sampling, air, water, mold, etc.) ~20%</p> <p><u>Tick Surveillance:</u></p> <p>Holly, (Sanitarian), with help from the UWO students are conducting tick surveillance (dragging) for the black legged tick (deer tick). These ticks carry lyme and other diseases. Our county does not have a lot of habitat for these ticks so in the past tick drags it was difficult to establish a population. To show an established population, we must find 6 ticks or 1 tick of each life stage (larvae, nymph and adult) from a sampling area. On our first tick drag - of the Waukau preserve, we only found 3 wood ticks.</p> <p><u>Beach Sampling:</u></p> <p>Beach/ boat launch water sampling started the week of Memorial Day. UWO students conduct sampling of 11 beach/boat launches throughout the county weekly with results posted on the DNR Beaches website. The students observe water conditions and report Blue Green Algae. There was one notification of blue green algae at Fresh Air Beach on Tuesday and it was posted to warn swimmers.</p> <p>Sample locations include:</p> <p>Boat Launches: Lake BDM Boat Landing, Lake Poygan Boat Landing, Boom Bay, Village of Butte Des Morts, Fritse Park, Grundman Park, Asylum Point, Black Wolf Boat Launch</p> | |

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| | | <p>Beaches: Winneconne Park, Fresh Air Park (Neenah), Menominee Park</p> <p><u>LEAD</u>: Scott Fischer started 5/23/22 as Lead Abatement Project Coordinator and just took a week long training to become a Certified Lead Risk Assessor. Has 2 more trainings to be scheduled yet: Lead Supervisor and Healthy Homes. Scott is working on getting the Lead program up and running.</p> <p>Surveyed county after storm from 6/15/22. Staff check power outage maps. Fremont area; campgrounds running on generators. Links to power outages on WCHD website</p> <p>Ashlee (Community Health and Prevention): excused. Lynnsey Erickson to present</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Brief summary of issue areas: housing, transportation, substance use (prevention, harm reduction, recovery support), social connectedness, childcare access. ● Submitted COSSAP grant application to further sustain work of the Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) Team, provide funding for 3 additional years of the Rapid Response program and pilot a bereavement coordinator for deaths of despair (suicide, overdose) within the Coroner’s office. ● Currently preparing the 2022 OFR annual report for release in August. <p>Jamie (Women, Infant and Children [WIC]): <i>on PTO</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Working on a modified service model. Able to extend waivers and allow families to follow up with WIC staff on the phone. ● Formula-Michigan plant impacted by recent storms. Most challenging is specialty formula for infants who are unable to digest common formula. ● WCHD collects and stores donated breast milk, then shipped to <p>Heidi (Planner):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Forming and scheduling Community Health Assessment (CHA) Advisory Team meetings ● Preparing Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals self-assessment, an activity listed in the strategic plan and a state requirement. The Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals (Core Competencies) represent foundational or crosscutting knowledge and skills for the broad practice of public health. <p>Julia (Admin): The administration division supports staff, builds division capacity, and serves the community. <i>Will defer to our presentation later on in the meeting</i></p> <p>Melissa: (Communicable Disease):</p> | |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Monitoring Monkeypox outbreak in Chicago r/t a conference, provided education and direction to local hospitals on procedure if they suspect a case. ● Vaccine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Resuming Jail services for vaccine administration- first one was last week with a good turn out ○ Preparing for the DHS order for administration of COVID 19 vaccine in ages 4months and up, the FDA has approved EUA. ● Resuming Quarterly Communicable Disease Reports ● CD Team has been working on the Website information and updating to current information and links ● Working with local LTCF on an Influenza A Outbreak <p>TBD/currently vacant (Policy & Equity Coordinator): posted</p> <p>Ashley (Communications):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Working with ADRC on vaccine outreach to vulnerable populations through a grant they have ● Continuing to provide COVID-19 Situation Updates ● Providing education on our website and social media ● Creating and distributing flyers and graphics to build awareness of our vaccine clinics <p>Sarahjean (Epidemiologist):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Transitioned out of COVID response, and am now working to build out Epi support ● Working with staff across the health department to understand role of the Epidemiologists ● Assisting staff across divisions with quarterly reports, annual reports, grant writing, and other data projects <p>Shelley (Emergency Preparedness): excused</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Emergency Preparedness Overview <p>Alana (Healthy Lifespan): <u>Family Child Health:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● More attention/momentum to address the child care crisis in WI (Winnebago County ranks poorly in State). Many sectors in discussion and hyperlocal research (GO EDC, Oshkosh Chamber, United Way (s), F5FV, NE Alliance, CCR&R, WEDA, WECA) = WCHD takes strategic guidance from First 5 Fox Valley and our joint advocacy efforts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ask ARPA/private funding to support the current emergency while our leaders find long-term sustainability | |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dept. of Children and Families: Announces Project Growth grant recipients, Oshkosh Area United Way (City of Oshkosh and Winnebago County), WCHD staff integral in obtaining \$75k to support childcare infrastructure in Winnebago ● Maternal Child Health referrals resuming, less volume but higher need <p><u>WWWP</u>: Wisconsin Well Woman Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enrollment numbers are up - back to 2019 average and better. Significant billing concerns (gaps/inconsistencies in healthcare billing). Working with Rural Health Initiative to increase rural opportunities/ farm worker population (expecting transportation/gas prices to be a need) <p><u>Promoting Healthy Aging</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fall Prevention Kits ● Wellness Plus: wchd.pub/wellnessclasses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ asking for more: Tai Chi, Rural and Local ○ barriers: capacity, leader recruitment, WIHI training ● Home visits resuming - PHN dedication :) ● ADRC Partnership(s)/Referrals picking up, attending their Open House in Aug, sharing PHA Presentations for senior groups (Oshkosh Aging Committee, Learning in Retirement, etc.) <p>Public Health Policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teresa Paulus (PH Nurse) invited to join: 2022 Legislative Council Study Committee on Uniform Death Reporting Standards https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/misc/lc/study/2022/2407 ● APHA Policy Institute - Maintaining Public Health Authority <p>B. Budget Transfer – \$63,089 – Mobilizing for a Just Response Grant - vote</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Motion Mike Norton Second: Jeffrey Beem ● Vote (list names): all voted aye; Ralph Harrison, Jeffrey J Beem, Karen Powers, Rachel Youngquist, Mike Norton, Toby Vanden Heuvel, Lois Gruetzmacher <p>C. Table of Organization Change – Add WIC Director - vote</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Motion: Mike Norton Second: Karen Powers ● Vote (list names):all voted aye; Ralph Harrison, Jeffrey J Beem, Karen Powers, Rachel Youngquist, Mike Norton, Toby Vanden Heuvel, Lois Gruetzmacher <p>D. Request to fill WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor - vote</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Motion: Mike Norton Second: Jeffrey Beem | |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vote (list names):all voted aye; Ralph Harrison, Jeffrey J Beem, Karen Powers, Rachel Youngquist, Mike Norton, Toby Vanden Heuvel, Lois Gruetzmacher E. Income Statement Review ● Discussion around budget strategy and challenges, staffing vacancies, competitive market F. COVID-19 Response Update ● At home testing impacts the number of reported cases. WCHD response will continue as is; testing, vaccines. Continue to work with local and regional partners to hold vaccine clinics in an effort to increase access. Weekly data reports to continue, daily updates on website G. Administration Division Overview | |
| 6. Next Meeting | Board Chair | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Next tentative meeting will be: August 19, 2022 at 7:30 am | |
| 7. BOH Members' Report | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition and Health in September ● Shelley Brown Giebel received Patriot Award from Department of Defense for work with National Guard at testing and vaccine sites ● Doug Gieryn awarded Health Officer of the Year by WPHA/WALHDAB ● Staff received award from WPHA for equitable vaccine access and work with community partners | |
| 8. Adjourn | Board Chair | <p>Motion to adjourn at 10:03: Karen Powers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Second by: Mike Norton ● Vote: all voted aye; Ralph Harrison, Jeffrey J Beem, Karen Powers, Rachel Youngquist, Mike Norton, Toby Vanden Heuvel, Lois Gruetzmacher | |

*This meeting is also being posted as a Committee meeting for: Facilities & Property Management

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Vision: Healthy people building thriving communities.