

CABELL-HUNTINGTON HEALTH DEPARTMENT
Board of Health Regular Meeting –February 25, 2015

Board Members Present:

J. Larry Crawford
Harriette Cyrus
Thomas Gilpin, Atty.
Omayma T. Touma, MD
Kevin Yingling, MD

Board Members Absent:

Donna Rumbaugh

Staff Members Present:

Tim Hazelett, Administrator
Jack Mease, Accountant
Stan Mills, Program Manager, EH, TP
Kathleen Napier, Nurse Director, Clinic
Elizabeth Ayers, Health & Wellness, PIO
Casey Napier, Accreditation Coordinator/Grant Writer
Karen Hall-Dundas, Sanitarian Supervisor
Teresa Mills, Regional Tobacco Prevention Coordinator
Jesse Boner, IT
Debbie Ellison, Regional EPI
Deb Koester, Executive Director of WV Local Health, Inc.
Kevin McCann, M.D., Local Health Officer for Wayne County Health Department and
Acting Local Health Officer for Cabell-Huntington Health Department (CHHD)
Michael Kilkenny, M.D., new physician director for CHHD as of 5/1/15

Called to order at 5:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion to approve the regular and executive minutes for the January, 2015 board meeting was made by Dr. Yingling, seconded by Dr. Touma and passed.

Pending Legislations:

Tim gave the board members a copy of pending bills that we are involved with. Some have passed the Senate and are now headed for the House. The 2 major bills are SB109, which involves changing the Clean Indoor Air Act to allowing smoking in some exempt businesses, and SB30, which is the raw milk bill. The legislative session ends 3/14/15.

Environmental Health/Threat Preparedness:

Stan introduced Jesse Boner, our IT person and advised she has been handling our Medicare billing for flu and pneumonia vaccinations. To date we have received over \$43,000 in reimbursements.

Nursing:

Dr. Touma asked if Medicare pays for the Prevnar 13 pneumonia vaccine, Kathleen advised not at this time.

Dr. Yingling asked if measles vaccine inquiries have increased since the outbreak in California. Kathleen said we have received some calls asking if we have adult vaccine available, which we do.

Epidemiology:

Debbie explained the 4 charts in her report. She said numbers are better this year; she thinks visual information helps counties see what they are doing.

Health & Wellness Director/Public Information Officer (PIO):

Elizabeth advised 9 Cabell County nurses has been trained in the chronic disease management classes, as well as 12 nurses trained in diabetes self-management. They would like to have these classes for parents of children who have chronic diseases. She and Kathleen are now master diabetes trainers, so they can now train the program to individuals.

Accreditation Coordinator/Grant Writer:

Casey advised she is working on an Americorp grant, which will focus on healthy futures and disaster services.

Casey reported the 2nd Regional Health Connect (RHC) meeting was well attended. Dave Campbell gave a great presentation. Tim said it will be on our shoulders to keep the momentum going. Speakers are lined up for the next two meetings. Dr. Yingling said the newspaper article generated a lot of interest at the MU academic medical center. He feels the group needs to find something to coalesce around and get a quick win to keep everyone's interest. Tim said the current hot topic is drug control. Dr. Yingling asked if the drug task force will, at some point, present to the Board? Tim advised yes. Dr. Yingling said they are scheduled to present at the Medical Society in March or April and he feels we need to attend that meeting also.

Regional Tobacco Prevention Coordinator Report:

Teresa said she has been working with various tobacco coalitions in the region. She also said she has been working with Marshall University; students caught smoking on campus have to attend a smoking cessation class.

Accreditation Process Update:

Deb Koester said the health department is fully engaged in the accreditation readiness process. The PACT has established 3 domain work groups and all work is being monitored and tracked. She said a domain dashboard can be provided to the board as needed. Dr. Yingling asked if the Board could assist these work groups? Deb said these are just getting started, but there should be more information in the next 30 days.

Financial Report:

Jack explained that our payroll has now gone to 26 paydays each year instead of 24 as was previously done. We received quarterly state aid payment in January, which helped revenues exceed expenses by 15.78%. With 58.3% of the year passed we have expended 64.66% of our budget, but we have received almost 62% of our budget. We are still waiting on almost \$150,000 from the State, who is waiting on approval from OASIS. Our cash balance will be lower next month due to the \$125,000 generator purchase. We will receive levy monies in March/April. Mr. Gilpin said as we move toward establishing our next budget he would like to see more breakdown as to sources and uses of funds so the Board could have a better handle on where the health department is financially. He asked that be put on next month's meeting agenda. Tim said we do have a better handle this year than we had last year

Approval of Expenditures/Financial Report:

A motion to approve the invoices for January, 2015 was made by Ms. Cyrus, seconded by Mr. Crawford and passed.

Administration – Tim Hazelett:

Tim said we are still trying to set up a visit to Portsmouth, OH where they have a needle exchange program for drug users. In the 3 years since this program was started they have seen a 50% reduction in Hepatitis C cases. He advised the estimated cost to treat one case over a lifetime is \$75,000-150,000. He said there are 36 cases that we know of just in our health department patients. Dr. Yingling said there have been 90 reported heroin overdoses and 13 heroin deaths this year in our area, so there's no denying we have a huge drug problem. He also reported a survey found that 75% of babies born at Logan General Hospital are drug addicted, as well as 65% of babies born at Pleasant Valley Hospital.

Mr. Gilpin thanked the staff for the hard work put into the new in-depth reports; it has been very helpful to him.

The regular session was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for March 25, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Hazelett, Administrator

Approved:

Thomas H. Gilpin, Chairman
Cabell-Huntington Board of Health