



***Snohomish Health District
Board of Health Minutes
Regular Meeting
August 14, 2012***

Members Present

Shannon Affholter, Councilman, Everett
Adrienne Fraley-Monillas, Councilwoman, Edmonds
Linda Grafer, Councilwoman, Mukilteo
Karen Guzak, Mayor, Snohomish
Donna Wright, Councilwoman, Marysville

Members Absent

Dave Somers, County Councilman, Chair
Patsy Cudaback, Councilwoman, Monroe
Dave Gossett, County Councilman
John Koster, County Councilman
Mark Lamb, Mayor, Bothell, Vice-Chair
Kerri Lonergan-Dreke, Councilwoman, Lynnwood
Brian Sullivan, County Councilman
Dianne White, Mayor, Stanwood
Stephanie Wright, County Councilwoman

Others Present

Anne Alfred, SHD Environmental Specialist
Tim Bernard
LeeAnn Cooper, SHD Dental Hygienist
Randy Darst, SHD Environmental Health Division Director
Emelyn Deal
James Deal
Mike Doner, SHD Environmental Health Specialist
Paul Fraser
Nancy Furness, SHD Special Assistant for Emergency Preparedness
Gary Goldbaum, MD, SHD Health Officer and Director
Kathleen Grieci
Karen Halpin, SHD Communicable Disease Division Administrative Assistant
Gary Hanada, SHD Solid Waste & Toxins Program Manager
Steven Hellyer, SHD IS Manager
Geraldine Helwig
David W. John



Sally John
Peter Mayer, SHD Deputy Director
Kristin Kinnamon, SHD Communications Manager
Suzanne LeBoeuf
Lorie Ochmann, SHD Executive Assistant
Suzanne Pate, SHD Communications Specialist
Marilyn Lin Patino
Don Peterson, SHD Business Manager
Kevin Plemel, SHD Water & Waste Water Program Manager
Charlene Shambach, SHD Community Health Division Director
Nathan Shelby, SHD Systems Engineer
Kim Stacey
Glen Svendsen, Snohomish County Financial Analyst
Steve Uberti, SHD Legal Counsel
Carol White
Ed Yaswkawa

Call to Order

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Health was convened at 3:18 p.m. by Acting Chair Donna Wright in the Auditorium of the Snohomish Health District Rucker Building. Roll call was taken by Lorie Ochmann, who reported there was not a quorum present.

Chair's Report

There was no Chair's Report.

Health Officer's Report

Dr. Goldbaum updated the Board about pertussis in the county, noting provider reports of increased demand for vaccinations in 2012. Verdant continues planning to support a project specifically to promote vaccination in South County. He also reported that the CDC has confirmed 145 cases of H3N2v influenza. There has been no evidence of person-to-person transmission. Dr. Goldbaum also gave an update on tobacco trends. While combustible tobacco products (cigarettes, loose tobacco, and cigar) usage is down, non-cigarette product usage has increased 123%. The tobacco companies are adapting their marketing of non-cigarette products to minimize taxes and lower prices resulting in greater youth and young adult usage. Finally, he reported on community concerns about fluoridation, noting that the Health District would bring this to the August Program & Policy Committee meeting.



Public Comment

Public Comment on fluoridation was offered by the following:

Carol White
Geraldine Helwig
Paul Fraser
David W. John
Sally John
Tim Bernard
James Deal

James Deal stated that he had received approval from Chair Somers for public comment via cell phone.

Comment was offered by the following via cell phone:

Richard Sauerheber
Bell Osemeron

Board members will revisit the issue of fluoridation in the August Program Policy meeting.

Committee Reports

Included in today's meeting packet were the monthly standing reports. The August 6 Administration Committee meeting was canceled. The July 26 Program Policy meeting was not convened due to lack of a quorum. There were no questions regarding these reports.

Discussion Items

The scheduling of the Administration Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 4th, 2012 in observance of the Labor Day holiday was confirmed.

Information Items

Kevin Plemel recognized SHD Environmental Health Specialist, Mike Doner for his 30 years of service to SHD. Mr. Doner will be retiring on August 31st.



A calendar for scheduled meetings in August and September 2012 was provided to Board members in their packets.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Donna Wright, Acting Chair

Gary Goldbaum, M.D., M.P.H., Secretary