



***Snohomish Health District  
Board of Health Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
September 11, 2012***

**Members Present**

Adrienne Fraley-Monillas, Councilwoman, Edmonds  
Dave Gossett, County Councilman  
Linda Grafer, Councilwoman, Mukilteo  
Karen Guzak, Mayor, Snohomish  
Mark Lamb, Mayor, Bothell, Vice-Chair  
Dave Somers, County Councilman, Chair  
Dianne White, Mayor, Stanwood  
Donna Wright, Councilwoman, Marysville  
Stephanie Wright, County Councilwoman

**Members Absent**

Shannon Affholter, Councilman, Everett  
Patsy Cudaback, Councilwoman, Monroe  
John Koster, County Councilman  
Kerri Lonergan-Dreke, Councilwoman, Lynnwood  
Brian Sullivan, County Councilman

**Others Present**

John Amos  
Tim Bernard  
Randy Darst, SHD Environmental Health Division Director  
James Deal  
Sharon Dresler  
Nancy Furness, SHD Special Assistant for Emergency Preparedness  
Gary Goldbaum, MD, SHD Health Officer and Director  
David W. John  
Sally John  
Peter Mayer, SHD Deputy Director  
Kristin Kinnamon, SHD Communications Manager  
Alli Larkin  
Tim McDonald, SHD Communicable Disease Division Director  
Carrie McLauchlan, SHD Healthy Communities & Assessment Program Manager  
Rita Mell, SHD Immunizations Program Manager



Lorie Ochmann, SHD Executive Assistant  
Jamaal Parker, SHD Epidemiologist  
Suzanne Pate, SHD Communications Specialist  
Ann Peterson, SHD Health Educator  
Don Peterson, SHD Business Manager  
Charlene Shambach, SHD Community Health Division Director  
Ken Stacey  
Glen Svendsen, Snohomish County Financial Analyst  
Steve Uberti, SHD Legal Counsel  
Patricia Yepassis-Zembrou, SHD Epidemiologist  
Carol White  
Pam Wessel-Estes, SHD Health Policy Analyst

### **Call to Order**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Health was convened at 3:04 p.m. by Chair Dave Somers in the Auditorium of the Snohomish Health District Rucker Building. Roll call was taken by Lorie Ochmann, who reported there was a quorum present.

### **Chair's Report**

Randy Darst presented Resolution 12-23, acknowledging the service of Mike Doner. The resolution was read at the August 14 meeting when no quorum was present.

It was moved by Mr. Lamb and seconded by Mr. Gosset to approve Resolution 12-23, acknowledging the service of Mike Doner. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Health Officer's Report**

Dr. Goldbaum reported for January 1 through August 29, 494 cases of pertussis have been reported. In mid-September, Verdant will kick off its effort to promote pertussis vaccination in South County. As of August 28, 1590 cases of West Nile Virus (WNV) had been reported in 48 states and 65 people have died. Over 70% of cases are from six states (Texas, South Dakota, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Louisiana, and Michigan). Warm weather has dramatically extended the mosquito's range since it was first detected in the U.S. in 1999. Three people died of rodent-borne hantavirus following possible exposure at tents in Yosemite National Park. The virus is found in the urine and feces of deer mice that inhabit woody areas and often make their way into rural structures. Washington has had 43 cases, fifth highest among the 50 states. Again, warmer weather may be extending the range of the rodents.



Dr. Goldbaum gave a presentation describing the origin of sequestration in the Budget Control Act of 2011 and the potential human impacts. Unless Congress acts soon, across-the-board cuts to the Federal budget could have a significant effect on public health. Snohomish County stands to lose approximately \$339,000 in funding.

Pam Wessel-Estes, Health Policy Analyst, provided an overview of the Graduation, Reality and Dual Role Skills (GRADs) Program, a project to reduce teen pregnancy and improve outcomes when teens become pregnant. Much of the focus of this work is in three community high schools in Snohomish County which have GRADs programs. They offer specific curriculum for pregnant and parenting teens teaching parenting and life skills such as child development, infant care, health, and budgeting.

### **Minutes**

It was moved by Mr. Gosset and seconded by Mr. Lamb to approve the minutes of the regular meetings held July 10, 2012 and August 14, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Public Comment**

Public Comment on fluoridation was offered by the following:

James Deal  
Carol White  
Sharon Dresler  
Alli Larkin  
David W. John  
Sally John  
Tim Bernard

### **Committee Reports**

Ms. White reported that Admin Committee met and discussed several items that were moved to the Board Consent Agenda, most significantly allowing Peter Mayer to sign checks.

Mr. Lamb reported that Dr. Goldbaum gave a presentation on fluoridation at the Program Policy Committee Meeting. The Committee discussed previous public testimony and written evidence including applicable laws of Washington State on the issue of fluoridation and it is the recommendation of The Committee that The Board take no further action on the subject.

Included in today's meeting packet were the monthly standing reports. There were no questions regarding these reports.



## Consent Agenda

It was moved by Ms. White and seconded by Mr. Lamb to approve the following item on the Consent Agenda: (a) Resolution 12-24 authorizing July 2012 expenditures for Health District and PHEPR funds; (b) Resolution 12-25 authorizing August 2012 expenditures for Health District and PHEPR funds; (c) Resolution 12-26 authorizing signature authority for Deputy Director, Peter Mayer. The motion carried unanimously.

## Action Agenda

Resolution 12-27 Approval of Budget Amendment #2. Don Peterson presented a proposed Mid-Year Budget Adjustment #2 and detailed spreadsheet highlighting the adjustments. Four changes were discussed.

It was then moved by Mr. Gossett and seconded by Ms. S. Wright to approve Resolution 12-27, Approval of Budget Amendment #2. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 12-28, Healthy Workplace Award to Everett Community College for going smoke-free on campus. Dr. Goldbaum recognized Everett Community College.

It was then moved by Ms. Guzak and seconded by Ms. Grafer to approve Resolution 12-28, Healthy Workplace Award to Everett Community College for going smoke-free on campus. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 12-29, Health Hero Award to KSER radio and program host Sondra Santos. Kristin Kinnamon recognized Sondra Santos.

It was then moved by Ms. White and seconded by Mr. Lamb to approve Resolution 12-29, Health Hero Award to KSER radio and program host Sondra Santos. The motion carried unanimously.

## Discussion Items

It was noted that the November 2012 meeting will need to be rescheduled. There is a conflicting Washington State Association of Counties (WASAC) meeting in Wenatchee.

## Information Items

Pete Mayer discussed the planned budget process for the 2013 SHD budget. A proposed timeline for meetings and communications was outlined.



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

**Executive Session**

A 20 minute Executive Session was held to discuss personnel matters.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

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Dave Somers, Chair

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