



***Snohomish Health District
Board of Health Minutes
Regular Meeting, Annual Meeting
January 8, 2013***

Members Present

Adrienne Fraley-Monillas, Councilwoman, Edmonds
Dave Gossett, County Councilman
Linda Grafer, Councilwoman, Mukilteo
Karen Guzak, Mayor, Snohomish
John Joplin, Councilman, Brier
Sean Richards, Councilman, Mountlake Terrace
Dave Somers, County Councilman, Chair
Dianne White, Mayor, Stanwood
Donna Wright, Councilwoman, Marysville
Stephanie Wright, County Councilwoman

Members Absent

Shannon Affholter, Councilman, Everett
John Koster, County Councilman
Kerri Lonergan-Dreke, Councilwoman, Lynnwood
Brian Sullivan, County Councilman
Vern Little, Mayor, Lake Stevens

Others Present

John Amos, Snohomish County
Jim Ballew, City of Marysville Parks and Recreation Director
Randy Darst, SHD Environmental Health Division Director
James Deal
Crystal Dudley, SHD Administrative Assistant
Nancy Furness, SHD Special Assistant for Emergency Preparedness
Gary Goldbaum, MD, SHD Health Officer and Director
Kristin Kinnamon, SHD Communications Manager
Gayle Lanier, SHD Vaccine Preventable Disease Program Manager
Peter Mayer, SHD Deputy Director
Tim McDonald, SHH Communicable Disease Division Director
Rita Mell, SHD Clinic Program Manager
Lorie Ochmann, SHD Executive Assistant
Suzanne Pate, SHD Communications Specialist
Don Peterson, SHD Business Manager
Charlene Shambach, SHD Community Health Division Director
Nathan Shelby, SHD Systems Engineer



Glen Svendsen, Snohomish County Financial Analyst
Steve Uberti, SHD Legal Counsel

Call to Order

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Health was convened at 3:07 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

Newly appointed Board of Health Members, John Joplin, City of Brier Councilman, and Sean Richards, City of Mountlake Terrace Councilman, were sworn in by SHD Legal Counsel, Steve Uberti.

Health Officer's Report

Dr. Goldbaum reported for January 1 through December 28 of 2012, 569 cases of pertussis had been reported. The number of cases reported each week continues to decline locally. However, the death of an infant in King County in December reminds us that vaccination of adults is critical to protect infants. The "flu" season started early and severely. Nearly all states are reporting influenza activity, widespread in most states. From November 1 through January 4, the Health District confirmed that 52 Snohomish County residents had been hospitalized for influenza and three have died; this is more than were hospitalized or died throughout each of the past two seasons. Vaccination is even more critical this year than in past years; the vaccine appears well matched to the circulating strains of influenza.

Jim Ballew, City of Marysville Parks and Recreation Director gave a presentation on the Healthy Communities Marysville Initiative. In 2006 Marysville was selected as a Healthy Community partner through Snohomish Health District. SHD provided a team of Health Educators and funds to assist the city in an elaborate process of developing a strategic plan for implementation. The three top priorities were identified as health-promoting foods, active community environments, and low cost or free recreational opportunities. Marysville was selected as a YMCA Pioneering Healthy Community City in 2007. This entailed a Leadership Committee committing to a 3 year program with 17 other cities nationally. Marysville implemented the plan with 100% support of elected officials. The health-promoting foods priority area involves supporting community gardens, school gardens and farmer's markets. The active community priority area focuses on non-motorized transportation such as trails, bike paths and sidewalks. The low cost or free recreational opportunities focus area resulted in the Get Movin' campaign, a new fitness course, a city center walking loop, and a variety of themed activity events. Additional public/private partners in all 3 priorities will be sought for future expansion of the Healthy Communities Initiative.



Dr. Goldbaum gave a presentation on The Agenda for Change, a state-wide partnership involving the state Department of Health and local health jurisdictions. The Agenda for Change Action Plan was developed to address the changes in disease trends, health reform, and economic changes. Key components of the Action Plan are Foundational Public Health Services identified as foundational capabilities, foundational program services, and a cost model to define core funding needs; and the Strategic Priorities identified as preventing communicable disease & other health threats, fostering healthy communities & Environments, and public health partnering with the health care system. Additional partners have also been identified. Next steps include broader outreach & engagement on the strategic directions document, updating the more detailed implementation plan, and continuing work on the foundational public health services work & cost model. SHD is currently engaged with leaders of the local healthcare community to address issues that will improve the youth and adults in the community. This model of collaboration between state and local agencies for over 20 years has made Washington State a leader in public health services throughout the nation.

A Board of Health retreat is planned for April to discuss the direction of SHD over the next five years. Dr. Goldbaum reported that he would be contacting Board Members by email with a Committee assignment proposal in the coming days.

Minutes

It was moved by Ms. White and seconded by Ms. Grafer to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held December 11, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Public comment was offered by James Deal.

Committee Reports

On behalf of the Nomination Committee, Ms. Fraley-Monillas nominated Board Member Karen Guzak as Chair of the Board of Health for 2013. No further nominations were made. It was then seconded by Mr. Gosset. The motion carried unanimously.

On behalf of the Nomination Committee, Ms. Fraley-Monillas nominated Board Member Stephanie Wright as Vice Chair of the Board of Health for 2013. No further nominations were made. It was then seconded by Mr. Gosset. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Members discussed a possible Board of Health Annual Dinner Meeting on January 28, 2013 and decided against an annual dinner. Therefore, the January 8, 2013 meeting would serve as the Annual Meeting required by the Board of Health Charter.

It was reported that the Admin Committee and Program Policy Committee did not meet.



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

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Gosset and seconded by Ms. Stephanie Wright to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (a) vouchers of December 2012 (b) Resolution 13-01 authorizing December 2012 expenditures for Health District and PHEPR funds. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Agenda

There were no Action Items.

Discussion Items

There were no Discussion Items.

Information Items

Board Members were provided with Board of Health orientation notebooks.

A calendar for scheduled meetings in January and February 2013 was provided to Board members in their packets.

Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:14 PM.

Dave Somers, Chair

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