



**Snohomish Health District
Board of Health Minutes
Regular Meeting
April 12, 2016**

Meeting was held at Snohomish Health District, 3020 Rucker Ave., first floor Auditorium

Members Present

Mark Bond, Councilmember, Mill Creek
Christine Cook, Councilmember, Mukilteo
Hans Dunshee, County Councilmember
Adrienne Fraley-Monillas, Councilmember, Edmonds – BOH Vice Chair
Benjamin Goodwin, Councilmember, Lynnwood
Kurt Hilt, Councilmember, Lake Stevens
Ken Klein, County Councilmember
Scott Murphy, Councilmember, Everett
Dan Rankin, Mayor, Darrington
Jeff Rasmussen, Councilmember, Monroe
Sean Richards, Councilmember, Mountlake Terrace
Terry Ryan, County Councilmember
Brian Sullivan, County Councilmember – BOH Chair (via phone)
Donna Wright, Councilmember, Marysville
Stephanie Wright, County Councilmember (via phone)

Members Absent

None

Oath of Office

Oath of office was given by Steve Uberti to new board member Hans Dunshee.

Call to Order

The April meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 3:07 p.m. by Vice Chair Adrienne Fraley-Monillas (acting as Chair) in the auditorium of the Snohomish Health District Rucker Building. Roll call was taken by Linda Carl who reported there was a quorum present.

Special Recognition: Food Service Excellence, Healthy Communities

Dr. Goldbaum introduced the 25th annual awards ceremony. Seven local businesses were presented with Food Safety Excellence Awards. These awards recognize those in food service who not only meet minimum standards, but typically stand out within their industry. Four groups were presented



with Healthy Communities Awards, in addition to one Lifetime Achievement Award. These awards recognize organizations in the county that go above and beyond minimum requirements to promote the health and well-being of employees and the community they serve. Board of Health members presented the awards to recipients within their district. Dr. Goldbaum presented the Lifetime Achievement Award to Terry Clark, executive director at ChildStrive.

Executive Session

Vice Chair Fraley-Monillas convened the board into Executive Session for purposes of:

- Discussing interpretation and application of labor agreements pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) and for purposes of planning labor negotiation strategy or position pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b).
- Discussing matters relating to agency enforcement actions pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

Ms. Fraley-Monillas announced that the Executive Session is expected to last 25 minutes, with the board expected to reconvene at 3:55.

Ms. Fraley-Monillas reconvened the board into regular session at 4 p.m.

Minutes

It was moved by Ms. D. Wright and seconded by Mr. Hilt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting and work session held March 15, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Hilt and seconded by Mr. Goodwin to approve Resolution 16-007 authorizing March 2016 Public Health expenditures and voucher check numbers 62099 through 62245 totaling \$1,252,269.27. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Hanna Welander from the Washington State Nurses Association representing nurses at the Health District spoke regarding the proposed WIC/First Steps transition. She encouraged the board to think outside the box regarding potential funding sources for this program and urged the board to delay a decision about the transition.

Chair's Report

Ms. Fraley-Monillas indicated that a subcommittee will be formed to look at the future of the Rucker Building. Mr. Mayer provided background regarding why the Health District is currently looking at how



space is being utilized, including the impact of last year's flooding on the first floor. The Health District hired McKinstry to look at space utilization and design work, repairs, and improvements. An ad hoc committee will keep the board informed on the process; the committee will convene soon and will likely have two to three meetings. Board members Dunshee, Hilt, Klein, and Rasmussen volunteered to serve on the ad hoc committee.

Ms. Fraley-Monillas reported that the public comment period for the pharmaceutical stewardship program began March 25 and will close April 15. Health District staff are creating an ordinance with guidance from the ad hoc committee, public comments, and the board. The draft ordinance will be vetted at the next ad hoc committee meeting on April 21 and presented at the May 10 board meeting for the first reading.

Health Officer's Report

Dr. Goldbaum provided his report to the board, which included an update on the Ebola virus, the Zika virus, white-nose syndrome, the legislature session, and the new polio vaccine. The World Health Organization (WHO) declared that West African countries no longer have epidemic Ebola and therefore the medical community no longer needs to screen all patients for travel from West Africa. There is increasing evidence that the Zika virus infection is a cause of microcephaly, which specifically affects pregnant women; the CDC has issued recommendations for preventing transmission to women who are pregnant or may become pregnant. A bat with white-nose syndrome was recently found in King County. This particular fungus does not pose a threat to humans; however, there is a call from the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife asking the public to report dead bats. Dr. Goldbaum indicated that public health is mentioned in the recently passed legislative budget as a proviso; it will make the funding of public health an issue for the next legislative session. The legislature also passed SB 6328 dealing with vaping, which sets rules for permitting, internet sales, etc. We will revisit our local ordinance in order to be in compliance with state legislation. The WHO is moving forward to change formulation of the polio vaccine worldwide; 150 countries will withdraw their current supply and substitute a newer, safer supply.

Action Items

Dr. Goldbaum brought forward the proposed public health policy agenda, which is slightly updated from the 2015 policy agenda. Three areas of policy focus remain the same for the coming year: youth physical abuse, youth and adult obesity, and suicide. Additionally, pharmaceutical stewardship (drug take-back) and public health structure and funding have been added as top priorities. Thirteen additional public health issues are noted for future consideration.

Mr. Klein asked if the issue of mental health should be elevated on the list of priorities. Dr. Goldbaum noted that mental health is addressed in suicide and youth physical abuse and is being discussed regionally as well. Ms. S. Wright agreed that mental health, as well as homelessness, should be on our policy agenda, with other issues listed underneath.



Dr. Goldbaum noted the board does not appear ready to endorse the policy agenda as currently written. Ms. Fraley-Monillas asked if the board preferred waiting for a revised agenda or making amendments to the current agenda. The board agreed to allow Dr. Goldbaum and staff to look again at the policy agenda and address the concerns mentioned today. A revised policy agenda will be brought forward at the next board meeting.

Ms. Shambach introduced the next action item: Youth Marijuana Prevention and Education Grant. The intent of this grant is to reduce marijuana use among youth and is in cooperation with four other counties. The grant runs from April 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, with a budget not-to-exceed \$182,000; it includes a new 0.7 FTE – Healthy Communities Specialist. Grant funds were allocated by the State legislature to the Washington State Department of Health, which then allocates funds to each of the nine Accountable Communities of Health (ACH) regions throughout the state. In our region, United General Hospital District #304 serves as the regional administrative lead and will disperse funds.

It was moved by Mr. Hilt and seconded by Mr. Klein to approve the contract with United General Hospital District #304 for the period of April 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, with expenditures not to exceed \$182,000 for services associated with the Youth Marijuana Prevention and Education Grant and direct staff to return with a 2016 budget adjustment inclusive of the amount for FY 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ketchel introduced the next action item: the intergovernmental services agreement with Snohomish County for activities related to solid waste in the county. Services covered under this agreement are for 2015 and 2016. In response to a question by Mr. Murphy asking for clarification on 2015 funds, Business Manager Ms. Chapman clarified that expenditures for 2015 were recorded, but the revenue was not determined. Health District services were funded through the general fund, and reimbursement from the County for 2015 expenditures will go back into the general fund.

It was moved by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Rankin to approve the intergovernmental services agreement between Snohomish County and the Health District for activities related to solid waste in the county for services provided in 2015 and 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

Committee and Standing Reports

Ms. Fraley-Monillas amended the agenda to allow for the oral report by Brant Wood, chair of the Public Health Advisory Council (PHAC).

Mr. Wood briefed the board on the March 23 PHAC meeting in which the council reviewed the 2016 draft policy agenda and reaffirmed and supported the top issues listed on the agenda. At the March meeting, the PHAC was updated on the pharmaceutical stewardship program and the Community Health Assessment.



Briefings

Ms. Fraley-Monillas noted that with only 20 minutes left in the meeting, there's not sufficient time to address the WIC and First Steps transition plan. She amended the agenda to move this item to the May 10 board meeting. There were no objections from the board.

Committee and Standing Reports

Mr. Mayer mentioned that the Health District Strategic Plan first quarter update is in the board's packet and appraises the board regarding activities related to implementing the 2014 strategic plan.

Finance Report

There were no questions regarding the finance report.

Information Items

The Pharmaceutical Stewardship Ad Hoc Committee meets on April 21 from 8:30 to 10 a.m.

The next Board of Health meeting is Tuesday, May 10 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the auditorium of the Health District.

The Public Health Advisory County meets on May 25 from 7:45 to 9:15 a.m.

Training

The staff member originally scheduled to provide the training was not available. Mr. Mayer suggested this item be moved to the May 10 meeting if there were fewer than three board members interested in this training. There were no objections from the board to move this item to May 10.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

Brian Sullivan, Chair

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