

MARATHON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
Meeting Minutes
September 3, 2019

Present: John Robinson, Michael McGrail, Mary Ann Crosby (via Telephone), Sandi Cihlar, Dean Danner, Lori Shepherd, Kue Her

MCHD Staff: Dale Grosskurth, Becky Mroczenski, Joan Theurer, Jenny Hsu

Guests:

1. Call to Order

John Robinson called the meeting to order at

2. Public Comment Period

3. Approval of the Minutes of the August 6, 2019 Board of Health Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2019 meeting made by Laura Scudiere. Second made by Sandi Cihlar. Motion approved.

4. Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution

A. None

5. Policy Discussion and Possible Action

A. Review the Board Self-Assessment draft plan of work document and develop action steps

The Board held discussion on possible changes to the start time for meetings. Board members discussed the start time. Meetings will be moved back to 7:45 a.m., end time 9:15 a.m. This change will take place for the next meeting (October). Meetings will prioritize policy issues before educational presentations.

John Robinson reviewed prior discussion on plans for oncoming board members, including the Board chair being more involved in the orientation process, using a mentor arrangement to assist new members, and a calendar or schedule for training and education.

The Board discussed holding an annual retreat to provide time to look in more detail at specific topics, as well as options for meeting with state legislators.

Joan Theurer will develop a plan of work based on the Board discussion and shared at the next meeting.

- B. Update on the 2019-2021 Biennial State of Wisconsin Budget along with proposed legislation priorities for Wisconsin Public Health Association/Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards (WPHA/WALHDAB)
 - i. Medicaid Expansion
 - ii. Tobacco 21: Raising the Tobacco Purchase Age
 - iii. Restriction on the Use of Products Used for Inhaling and Exhaling Vapor
 - iv. Lead Testing Schools and Day Cares
 - v. End the Use of Personal Conviction Waivers for School and Day Care Center Immunizations

Joan shared highlights of a webinar held last week, which walked through budget implications and policy changes being considered at the state level. Legislation has been introduced for accepting Federal Medicaid expansion dollars. The Wisconsin Association of Public Health and Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards is encouraging continued discussion and letters/resolutions at the municipal level. Joan asked if any further action should be taken by Board of Health, or wait for the Health & Human Services Committee to take action.

The Board held discussion on the best methods to advocate for policy change related to public health.

Judy Burrows shared that there are currently bills at various stages in the legislature related to changing the minimum purchasing age of tobacco products to 21, and usage restrictions for vaping products through changes to the clean indoor air bill. Judy indicated that revisions to the clean indoor air bill may or may not include marijuana products, depending on which version of the revisions would move forward.

Joan shared that two bills have been drafted requiring public schools and day camps and day cares to test water sources for lead. Dale Grosskurth shared that funding to address any uncovered issues is typically an issue.

Joan shared one other piece of legislation being considered is for the end of use of personal conviction waivers for school and day care centers for immunizations. A draft resolution template from the Wisconsin Association of Public Health and Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards was shared. The Wisconsin Public Health Council developed a statement regarding vaccination in light of the current measles outbreak.

The Board held discussion on whether or not to consider writing a resolution from the Board of Health regarding ending personal conviction waivers.

Joan will plan to bring the draft resolution template back to the next meeting and address questions raised by the board members regarding school and day care immunization rates for Marathon County.

- C. Report from the Health & Human Services Committee August 26, 2019 meeting on policy issues impacting public health

Mary Ann Crosby shared that discussion of creation of a Naloxone use program took place, with a motion made and approved for the County Board to amend the County Administrator's work plan to include conducting an assessment as the need and benefit for a Naloxone use program. The Committee also discussed policy change related to continuation of Medicaid benefits upon incarceration, as in Wisconsin benefits are terminated.

6. Educational Presentations/Outcome Monitoring Reports

- A. Overview of the Health Department's trends in terms of successes and challenges based on the 2019 Annual Report

Dale Grosskurth shared ground water has become a focus state-wide, and there are objectives within the County strategic plan to address the issue. With upcoming potential changes to lead funding, the Health Department will be monitoring the impact on lead program staff. The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection is considering looking at their license fee structure.

Due to time constraints, the remaining reports from the Program Directors and Health Officer will be shared at the September meeting.

- B. Share Denison Organizational Culture Survey findings

This item was postponed until the September meeting.

7. Announcements - None

8. Next Meeting Date & Time, Location, Future Agenda Items: October 1, 2019

- A. Review draft Board of Health position paper on marijuana
- B. Update on the Health Department's 2020 Budget
- C. Update on Health Department's Strategic Plan
- D. Share Tentative Timeline for Community Health Assessment for 2020
- E. Overview of Public Health 3.0 and revisions of Wis. Admin. Code DHS 140 level requirements of local health departments
- F. Other

9. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Laura Scudiere. Second made by Michael McGrail. The meeting adjourned at 9:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Shepherd, Secretary
Chris Weisgram, Recorder