

MINUTES
Lawrence-Douglas County Health Board
March 21, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

The monthly meeting of the Lawrence-Douglas County Health Board was held Monday, March 21, 2016. Chair Doug Dechairo called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING BOARD MEMBER

Doug Dechairo, chair, presented a plaque to Maley Wilkins in appreciation of her six consecutive years of service on the Health Board and for serving as chair from 2014-2015.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

David Ambler made a motion to approve the Agenda for March 21, 2016. Judy Brynds provided the second and the motion passed.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 2016

Sandy Praeger made a motion that the Minutes of February 15, 2016, be approved. Shaun Musick provided the second and the motion passed.

REVIEW AND APPROVE FEBRUARY MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Jennie Henault, director of administrative services, reviewed the February Monthly Financial Report. After discussion, Shaun Musick moved that the February Monthly Financial Report be approved. Shannon Oury provided the second and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss Draft Joint Resolution with Brad Finkeldei

Dan Partridge, director, introduced Brad Finkeldei of Stevens and Brand, L.L.C. as the Health Departments legal counsel. Brad reviewed the revisions made to Section III, paragraphs two and three. After discussion, Shaun Musick made a motion to approve the revisions to the Joint Resolution. David Ambler provided the second and the motion passed.

Receive 2015 Annual Report

Karrey Britt, communications coordinator, presented the 2015 Annual Report. David Ambler made a motion to accept the 2015 Annual Report. Shaun Musick provided the second and the motion passed.

Consider State Fiscal Year 2017 Kansas Department of Health and Environment Grant Application

Dan Partridge, director, presented the Grant Application Signature Page from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) for the grant period July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, in the amount of \$1,127,020. Dan reported the grant submittal process is done online through Catalyst. After discussion, Shannon Oury made a motion to authorize Doug Dechairo, chair, to sign the Grant Application Signature Page in the amount of \$1,127,020. David Ambler provided the second and the motion passed.

Unified School District 497 Subrecipient Agreement Amendment for Chronic Disease Risk Reduction

Chris Tilden, director of community health, presented an amendment to the Agreement between the Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department and Unified School District 497

increasing the amount by \$4,010 making the total not to exceed \$24,010. This contract is for the evaluation of the bicycle safety curriculum and Safe Routes to School staff development. Funds for this amendment are available through less than anticipated expenditures for Eudora's Safe Routes To School efforts. After discussion, Maley Wilkins made a motion to authorize Doug Dechairo, chair, to sign the amended contract in the amount of \$4,010. Shannon Oury provided the second and the motion passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Communicable Disease Report

Kathy Colson, clinic supervisor, updated the Board on recent outbreaks of shigellosis and norovirus in Lawrence. Kathy reported both illnesses are highly contagious diarrheal illnesses. Kathy reported there have been cases in day care centers, schools, a fraternity, retirement homes and a community event during the past month. Kathy stated symptoms can include diarrhea, fever, abdominal pain and vomiting. Kathy stated if you have severe symptoms, contact your health care provider.

Dan Partridge, director, thanked Kathy and all the nurses at the Health Department for all they do. Dan also stated that Shirley Grubbs, public health nurse, is retiring April 1st. The Health Department has posted a position for a Communicable Disease/Preparedness Coordinator.

Joint Fatherhood Grant Application

Dan Partridge, director, reported the Health Department is partnering with Lawrence Community Shelter, Dads of Douglas County and the Douglas County Corrections Facility to submit a grant application in support of the Healthy Dads/Healthy Families program. The Health Department will serve as fiscal agent and project coordinator. Dan stated an application for \$185,000 has been submitted. We should hear in the next month if we were chosen. The program will use the "Quenching the Father Thirst" curriculum to help all fathers in Douglas County to be responsible, caring fathers and to connect fathers at the shelter with a job coach.

Clinic Patient Survey

Dan reported the Health Department asked clients to fill out a survey asking if they had a regular health care provider, when was their last checkup, do they have health insurance, what is annual household income, number in household, and age. Dan reviewed the results of the survey with the Board. 424 clients participated. While the sample was small, the findings indicate that clients have unmet medical needs.

Public Health Week

Dan Partridge, director, reminded the Board the Kay Kent Excellence in Public Health Service Award and staff lunch is Tuesday, April 5 from noon to 1 p.m. in the second floor meeting rooms.

Dan Partridge, director, stated there are five nominations for the Kay Kent Excellence in Public Health Service Award. Nominees are: Cary Allen, Charlie Bryan, Jenn Preston, Kelli Raney, and Vince Romero. The Board signed Letters of Recognition for nominees.

Dan also reported on April 5, he will be presenting the 2015 Annual Report to the Lawrence city commissioners and to Douglas County commissioners on April 6th. Dan will also be receiving Proclamations for Public Health Week from both. Dan invited Board members to attend if they are available.

The Health Champion Award breakfast will be Friday, April 8 from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. in the second floor meeting rooms.

Dan Partridge, director, presented recommendations from Health Department staff for the Douglas County Health Champion Awards. After discussion, the Board recommended Linda Cottin and Marilyn Hull as the Douglas County Health Champions.

Health Board Appointment for 2016

Dan Partridge, director, stated the second term for Maley Wilkins expires March 31, 2016. Dan reported Mike Amyx, mayor, appointed Dr. Stephan Fawcett to a first term on the Health Board.

Communications Report

Karrey Britt, communications coordinator, reported the Health Department is gearing up for Bike Week. Karrey reported the Health Department is sponsoring a contest for students in sixth, seventh and eighth grade to share what they enjoy about biking, the best local places to bike and how biking helps the environment. The grand prize winners will receive a free trip to the Youth Bike Summit May 27-29 in St. Paul, Minnesota. Karrey stated the Bike Parade is at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 23, 2016.

Karrey also reported Lawrence Parks and Recreation Department will be putting up tobacco-free park signs in 45 parks in Lawrence on Friday, April 1.

Justice Matters

Dan Partridge, director, reported members of Justice Matters met with Health Department staff to discuss options for addressing childhood trauma. As they seek to identify their solution to the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) issue they have asked the Health Department what we can contribute to a solution. Dan offered funding some portion of an assessment coordinator, but without additional funds does not recommend expanding our Healthy Families program.

Other New Business

1. The next scheduled Health Board meeting will be Monday, April 18, 2016, at 5 p.m. in the first floor meeting room.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m. on a motion by Maley Wilkins and a second by David Ambler.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Partridge,
Secretary

Present: David Ambler
Judy Brynds
Doug Dechairo
Shaun Musick
Shannon Oury
Sandy Praeger
Kevin Stuever
Maley Wilkins
Ex Officio: Dan Partridge
Other: Karrey Britt
Kathy Colson
Jennie Henault
Colleen Hill
Charlotte Marthaler
Chris Tilden