

MINUTES
Lawrence-Douglas County Health Board
September 17, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The monthly meeting of the Lawrence-Douglas County Health Board was held Monday, September 17, 2018. Chair Sandy Praeger called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Doug Dechairo made a motion to approve the Agenda for September 17, 2018. Vern Norwood provided the second and the motion passed.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF AUGUST 20, 2018

Vern Norwood made a motion that the Minutes of August 20, 2018, be approved. Verdell Taylor provided the second and the motion passed.

REVIEW AND APPROVE AUGUST MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Dawn Honarvar, finance director, reviewed the August Monthly Financial Report. Vern Norwood moved that the August Monthly Financial Report be approved. Steve Fawcett provided the second and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Second Quarter Performance Report

Charlotte Marthaler, assistant director, updated the Board on the second quarter performance report. There was an in-depth discussion on the current metrics and what the Health Board would like to see. The Board asked staff to consider a different set of metrics that are more reflective of strategic priorities such as the community health plan and department strategic plan.

2018 Employee Survey Results

Dan Partridge, director, stated every year the Health Department conducts an employee survey in July. Dan reported 39 out of 41 employees participated in the survey. The first four questions correlated with retention. The results were 61 strongly agreed, 73 agreed, 21 were neutral and one disagreed. Questions five through eight correlated with recruitment. Results were 84 strongly agreed, 61 agreed, and 11 were neutral. The last question was overall job satisfaction. The results were 14 were very satisfied, 24 were satisfied and one was neutral. Dan stated looking at the three-year trend for overall job satisfaction we saw positive growth for all questions. We evaluated the comments section to look for opportunities to improve how to better serve our community and the results were being client focused, process improvements, being community based, branding, equity and Health Department staff.

Consider Changing Date of October Health Board Meeting to October 24 or 25

Dan Partridge, director, stated due to conflicts the October Health Board meeting date needed revised. After discussion, Vern Norwood made a motion to change the October Health Board meeting date from October 15 to October 25, 2018. Doug Dechairo provided the second and the motion passed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Debrief September 4th Planning Session

Dan Partridge, director, thanked the Board for attending the planning session on September 4, 2018. Dan reported the four areas focused on were: 1) Advance health equity in all we

do; 2) Work together for the common good; 3) Be informed and influenced by the needs and aspirations of the community; and 4) Be a community health strategist. We also discussed how might we achieve these and what does success look like. Dan stated a key role for the Health Department is to lead the data sharing collaborative. Dan stated we continue to look at equity and how to better address inequities.

Contract for Billing Services

Dan Partridge, director, updated the Board on billing services for the Health Department. We will contract with Haase and Long for three months. They will be working with our accounting staff to support insurance billing.

Data Sharing Collaborative Progress Report

Dan Partridge, director, stated last year we convened a meeting with partners to discuss data sharing to determine if by sharing data we could better understand outcomes and make progress. A Charter was drafted and signed by all parties that frames mutual values and commitments. We have been doing work around three areas: 1) Identifying our heavy utilizers; 2) Coordination of care; and 3) System analytics. Compliance with 42 CFR regulations is a critical issue to resolve in order to share data. Dan stated he has been meeting weekly with Jason Hess, clinic director at Heartland Community Health Center, and our attorneys regarding data sharing. We have a potential solution and comfort level with other community partners.

T-21 Update

Dan Partridge, director, updated the Board on Tobacco 21. Dan reported Vicki Collie-Akers, Ph.D., M.P.H, Associate Director for Health Promotion Research Center for Community Health and Development Life Span Institute, University of Kansas, will present to the USD #497 school board and Douglas County. There is a City Commission study session on October 9 to discuss raising the legal age for tobacco purchase to 21 years. A request to reduce fines for marijuana will also be discussed at the same meeting. The memorandum sent to the County last week is included in this Health Board packet.

Announcement

Karrey Britt, communications coordinator, stated Suicide Prevention Awareness is this month. Karrey stated the Douglas County Suicide Prevention Coalition hopes to raise

awareness and provide support with the Find Your Anchor project. There are posters at the Lawrence Public Library and information on the Health Department's website.

Other New Business

1. The next scheduled Health Board meeting will be Thursday, October 25, 2018, at 5 p.m. in the first-floor meeting room.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m. on a motion by Michael Williams and a second by Verdell Taylor.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Partridge
Secretary

Present: Doug Dechairo
Steve Fawcett
Vern Norwood
Shannon Oury
Sandy Praeger
Verdell Taylor
Michael Williams
Other: Karrey Britt
Colleen Hill
Dawn Honarvar
Beth Llewellyn
Charlotte Marthaler