

**SOUTHWEST HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD**

MINUTES

Date: February 20, 2013
Place: Lyon County Government Center
Commissioners' Rooms 1 & 2
Marshall, Minnesota

Opened: 9:33 am
Adjourned: 10:00 am

The monthly meeting of the Community Health Board of Southwest Health and Human Services was held on Wednesday, February 20, 2013 in Commissioners' Rooms 1 & 2 of the Lyon County Government Center at 607 West Main Street in Marshall, Minnesota. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Blumeyer.

Members present:

Gail Byers
Lois Schmidt
Marvin Tinklenberg
William Johnson
Butch Miller
Bob Moline
Gerald Magnus
Curt Blumeyer
Joan Jagt
Stephen Ritter
Rick Anderson
Bob Jarchow
Ron Boyenga
Al Kokesch
Priscilla Klabunde
Carol Ann Flahaven

Member(s) absent

Richard Bakken
Pam VanOverbeke

Staff present:

Michelle Buysse
Cindy Nelson
Nancy Walker
Marie Meyers
Carol Biren
Karla Drown
Dale Hiland
Jenifer Klein
Sherry Marks
Jason Kloss
Kristin Deacon
Kathy Herding

Chairperson Blumeyer asked if there were any additions or deletions from the agenda for the meeting. There were none. He asked if any Board member needed to identify any conflict of interest. None were identified. He asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the January 16, 2013 meeting. Motion by Klabunde and second by Anderson: To approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

The financial report, as heard earlier, will be moved forward to the Governing Board.

Chairperson Blumeyer asked if there were any questions or comments about the caseload report. Director Sorensen commented that the Board would notice a change in the numbers reported, which is due to the addition of a county. At this time the context is missing but as we move into the upcoming months the Board will be able to see a truth comparison of caseload activity between months.

Director Sorensen stated that at the January 2013 meeting the Board had requested that staff find out from MDH if the alternate representative to the SCHSAC had to be a commissioner. MDH responded that the determination of membership to SCHSAC should be decided by the local Community Health Board. He had spoken to Marvin Tinklenberg regarding this and Marv is willing to act as the alternate for the Community Health Board. Motion by Moline and second by Ritter: To approve the appointment of Marvin Tinklenberg as the alternate representative to the State Community Health Services Advisory Committee (SCHSAC). The motion carried unanimously. Director Sorensen reported that Carol Biren, Division Director for Health Services, had been appointed to be the primary representative. He also stated that Carol is going through the process with MDH to be qualified as the CHS Administrator. Director Sorensen currently has that designation and Carol would be his backup.

Director Sorensen reported that he had spoken with Aggie Leitheiser, Assistant Commissioner of Health, regarding the Food, Pools and Lodging (FP&L) situation. A request for an appeal was sent to Health Commissioner Erlinger and a letter was received back that he would not reverse the decision made by the Environmental Health Division Director. Director Sorensen said that there were really three options for what the Board could decide to do: 1) accept the conditional agreement; 2) request revisions to the conditional agreement; or 3) accept the agreement but look at other ways to challenge the decision. Miller asked what would happen in the future regarding the delegation agreement. Director Sorensen stated that there are no guarantees. If MDH would come back and pull out of the agreement the Board would need to make some decisions about what services would be part of the Environmental Health Department. Chairperson Blumeyer asked for some direction from the Board. After further discussion, a motion by Anderson and second by Ritter: To accept the conditional agreement, and to send it to MDH accompanied by a letter stating the agency's expectation that a full delegation agreement, including all six counties, be awarded to the Community Health Board in 2015. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Sorensen stated that there is a notification of an upcoming video conference, Orientation to Public Health, included in the meeting packet. He asked that if anyone is interested in attending that they notify either Carol Biren, Division Director for Health Services, or Ardis Henriksen, Executive Assistant, so that arrangements can be made for a viewing location.

Director Sorensen pointed out the written quarterly report received from New Horizons for their use of the money they receive from agency TANF funding. He commented that the Relationship Series that is being taught with this funding is a very worthwhile program.

Chairperson Blumeyer asked if there was anything more to bring before the Board. Hearing nothing, he adjourned the meeting at 10:00 am.

Approved _____ Date

Authorized _____
Chairperson, Community Health Board

Recording Secretary, Community Health Board

Attest: _____
Director