

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

**MINUTES**

Date:	February 19, 2014	Opened:	9:34 am
Place:	Lyon County Government Center, Rooms 1 & 2 Marshall, Minnesota	Adjourned:	10:00 am

The monthly meeting of the Community Health Board of Southwest Health and Human Services was held on Wednesday, February 19, 2014 in Commissioners' Rooms 1 & 2 at the Lyon County Government Center, 607 West Main Street in Marshall, Minnesota. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Blumeyer.

Members present:

- Jeane Anderson
- Lois Schmidt
- William Johnson
- Butch Miller
- Stephen Ritter
- Gerald Magnus
- Curt Blumeyer
- Joan Jagt
- Bob Moline
- Rick Anderson
- Bob Jarchow
- Al Kokesch
- Priscilla Klabunde
- Carol Ann Flahaven
- Pam Van Overbeke

Member(s) absent:

- Marvin Tinklenberg
- Ron Boyenga
- Richard Bakken

Guests:

- Steven Meister, MD

Staff present:	Chris Sorensen	Nancy Walker
	Carol Biren	Cindy Nelson
	Mandy Holzapfel	Stacey Longtin
	Jenifer Klein	Michelle Buysse
	Dale Hiland	Jennifer Beek
	Kathryn Herding	Karri Harvey
	Krista Kopperud	Marie Meyers
	Kristin Deacon	Amy Lueck
	Jessica Bosma	Stacy Jorgensen
	Lori McGee	Sharon Fried
	Gail Bielen	Pat Baumann
	Kayla Hall	Ardis Henriksen

1. Consent Agenda
  - a. Amend/Approval of Agenda – no additions or deletions
  - b. Conflict of Interest – none were identified.
  - c. Approval of the 01/15/14 board minutes.

Motion by Ritter and second by Magnus: To approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Steven Meister, MD, Medical Consultant for the agency, was invited to come forward to address the Board. He stated that he has now been the Medical Consultant for the agency for four (4) years. This has been a relatively quiet year. Recently a case of whooping cough was diagnosed and is being monitored. The area medical staff continues to monitor zoonotic infections. He stated that he has been trying to find out if veterinarians are required to report diseases to the state, as medical doctors are, especially across state borders. The medical community is still concerned about the appropriate time to do blood lead testing. The state requires that the testing be done at nine (9) months but physicians feel it should be done at the age of one (1) year because many times a test run at 9 months does not show any problems but by the time a child is 1 year a big change can take place. The question is do we keep testing at intervals and eat the cost. In response to a question about whether or not the clinic are seeing a lot of influenza cases, he stated that typically the busiest time for flu is yet to come but that there have been some cases.

3. Chairperson Blumeyer stated that the financial report had been heard earlier and moved forward to the Governing Board.

4. Chairperson Blumeyer asked if there were any questions or comments related to the caseload numbers. There were none.

#### **Decision Items – None**

#### **Discussion Items**

5. Chairperson Blumeyer invited the staff presenting a success story to come forward. Jessica Bosma and Amy Lueck, both Public Health Nurses, came forward. Amy commented that it was timely that Dr. Meister had talked about blood lead testing because she wished to talk about a WIC family with a 2 year old for whom she had done a hemoglobin test, which came back low. Amy had questioned the family about what the child was eating. The child was retested for lead and the results came back elevated. The family was referred to their doctor, who did a venous blood test that confirmed the elevated lead level. The results were reported to the state and an inspector came to inspect the family home. During the inspection the source of the lead was found and the family was instructed on how to fix the issue. She continues to work with the family. As a rule, parents are very willing to have blood lead testing done. Jess had gone with the inspector to the family home and talked about the process of the inspection and what the inspector's recommendations were. Jessica reported on a volunteer opportunity that came up through her work with WIC. When a child is no longer eligible for WIC they are many times referred to the MAP and NAP program that works with older children and parents. In 2011 the MAP/NAP site in Pipestone was going to be closed because it did not have a site partner. Jessica and Amy have partnered, as volunteers, to keep the program site open and running.

6. Director Sorensen asked Carol Biren, Public Health Division Director, and Krista Kopperud, Health and Human Services Planner, forward to report on the Quality Improvement Plan and Report.

They pointed out that there had been very few changes made to the QI Plan for 2014, mainly to change the year on the cover and on page 6 the addition of a written report at the end of a project. Carol stated that 2013 had been a very busy year, as noted in red on the annual report. She also gave the Board a list of the informal projects that had been done throughout the agency that had not been complete through the process of the Quality Council. The Governing Board will be asked to approve both the 2014 plan and the 2013 report during their meeting

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

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Date

Authorized \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson, Community Health Board

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Recording Secretary, Community Health Board

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Director