



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

MINUTES

Date: December 16, 2015
Place: Lyon County Government Center
Commissioners' Rooms 1 & 2
Marshall, Minnesota

Opened: 9:41 am
Adjourned: 10:12 am

The monthly meeting of the Community Health Board for Southwest Health and Human Services was held on Wednesday, December 16, 2015 in Commissioners' Rooms 1 & 2 of the Lyon County Government Center at 607 West Main Street, Suite 200 in Marshall, Minnesota. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Anderson.

Members present:

- Rick Anderson
- Carol Ann Flahaven
- Joan Jagt
- Priscilla Klabunde
- Gerald Magnus
- Bob Moline
- Les Nath
- Stephen Ritter
- Jim Salfer
- Lois Schmidt
- Steve Schulze
- Mic VanDeVere
- Dan Wildermuth

Members absent:

- Jeane Anderson
- Ron Boyenga
- Sherri Thompson
- Pam VanOverbeke

Staff present:

- Jennifer Beek
- Carol Biren
- Karla Drown
- Ardis Henriksen
- Krista Kopperud
- Cindy Nelson
- Nancy Walker
- Kristi Bergeron
- Michelle Buysse
- Megan Gullickson
- Amber Kinner
- Kristofer Lee
- Andrew Peltz

I. Consent Agenda –

1. Chairperson Anderson asked if there were any deletions or additions to the meeting agenda. Anderson stated that the Resolution of Signage Authority should be added to the agenda under Decision Items, L-3 Resolution of Signage Authority. And the two items under Discuss/Information, M-1 SCHSAC update – Commissioner Salfer and M-2 Oral Health update – Commissioner Salfer/Carol Biren.

2. Chairperson Anderson asked if any member of the Board had a conflict of interest to report. None were identified.

3. Chairperson Anderson asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the November 18, 2015 meeting.

Motion by VanDeVere and second by Ritter: To approve the Consent Agenda as with the additions to the meeting agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

J. Financial –

Chairperson Anderson stated that the financial report had been moved forward to the Governing Board for approval.

K. Caseload –

Chairperson Anderson asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the caseload reports. There were none.

L. Decision Items –

1. Carol Biren, Public Health Division Director, stated that the increases made to the fees for public health services were made to cover the cost of the programs. Motion by Moline and second by Klabunde: To approve the Public Health fee schedule for 2016 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Carol Biren, Public Health Division Director, stated that the 2016 budget reflects the addition of three (3) new positions, two (2) related to the MNChoices program and one (1) a sanitarian in preparation for the addition of FP&L services in Lyon and Redwood Counties. Motion by VanDeVere and second by Wildermuth: To approve the 2016 budget for \$3,607,773 with county contributions of \$782,398 and recommend approval by the Governing Board. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Chairperson Anderson stated that he was open to a motion to approve the Resolution of Signature Authority, to authorize him, as Chairperson, to sign the resolution giving the Director, Deputy Director and Division Directors authority to sign contracts and forms to conduct business on behalf of the Board. Motion by Klabunde and second by Ritter: To approve the Resolution of Signature Authority, directing Chairperson Anderson to sign the resolution for the Community Health Board. The motion carried unanimously.

M. Discussion/Information –

1. Chairperson Anderson invited Salfer to give his report on the SCHSAC meeting he had attended. The meeting was held on December 11th and was the last meeting for this year. There is a representative for every Public Health Board and Community Health Board in the state. There was a report given on infectious diseases, during which it was stated that ebola has more or less gone by the wayside. Some infectious diseases have bubbled to the top and some have been taken off the list. Minnesota leads the nation in work on E-Health with about 83% of the facilities and providers connected. There was a report on the importance of fluoridated water in the prevention of tooth decay. The Commissioner of Health will hold a summit on water quality in 2016. Under the report on medical cannabis it was stated that tractable pain has been added to the list as a qualifying condition. The state plans to add about 400 more physicians to their database as being registered to prescribe medical cannabis. Because of a problem within the organization monitoring the test that nurses must take to become licensed between May 2014 and June 2015, there are 596 nurses who are being required to retake the licensing test. The areas that will be at the top of the list in working with the legislature during the next session are early childhood health, water quality and health equity. At the meeting

Salfer and Carol Biren, Public Health Division Director, had an opportunity to speak with Tom Hagen, Environmental Health Division Director about adding Lyon and Redwood Counties to our delegation agreement. There is a verbal agreement to work forward with this process, with the goal of the two (2) counties being included beginning in January of 2017. Jason Kloss, Environmental Health Manager, is applying to be a member of the Environmental Health Improvement Board.

2. Salfer and Carol Biren, Public Health Division Director, had attended a meeting with an aide to Governor Dayton about the Oral Health Project. They discussed the medical assistance reimbursement rate and the shortage of dentists in rural areas. Salfer commented that there was education as to what caries is, the start of infection that turns into tooth decay. The aim is to teach everyone to think of the mouth as part of the body. The Lions, Rotary and the Kiwanis organizations are all starting to do work in this area.

Chairperson Anderson asked if there was anything further to bring to the Board. Moline asked Carol Biren, Public Health Division Director, to tell the Board about her upcoming trip to California for the Rose Bowl Parade. Chairperson Anderson adjourned the meeting at 10:12 am.

Approved _____ Date

Authorized _____
Chairperson, Community Health Board

Recording Secretary, Community Health Board

Attest: _____
Director