

**BOARD OF HEALTH AGENDA**

**April 24, 2024, 5:15 PM**

**County Courthouse, Room 302 (Ground Floor)**

**April 24, 2024 Board of Health Meeting**

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The Board of Health convened in open session at 5:15 pm.

The meeting was called to order by Don Bodeau.

**Board Members Present:**

**Quorum is reached**

Terry Miskulin

Don Bodeau

Mark Kaeding

Catherine Wildenberg

True Vue (Virtual)

Josh Miller

Not in attendance: Terry Nordin

**Guest:**

David Hirsch

**Staff Members Present:**

Lieske Giese

Marisa Stanley

Hannah Artz

Gina Holt

1. Call to Order. Walk through remote meeting process. Welcome Guests. Order of the Agenda. Request to pull items from the Consent Agenda -5 minutes
2. Public Comment-*The Board of Health and Eau Claire City-County Health Department welcome you. Statements pertinent to agenda items may be made by attendees during the public comment section. We do ask that statements are limited to three minutes per person. Written comments may also be provided.*

David Hirsch, MD-new County Board Member appointed to the Board of Health was introduced. Dr. Hirsch's appointment will be confirmed at the 05/07/2024 County Board meeting.

3. Consent Agenda (Action Required-approved for full content)- 5 minutes
  - a. Approval of minutes from March 27, 2024, meeting
  - b. Approve Donation/Stipend

***Motion to approve Consent Agenda: Josh Miller***

***2nd Motion: Terri Miskulin***

***Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)***

4. Business Item (Action Required)-15 minutes
  - a. Review and Receive Quarterly Financial Update
    - Balance sheet fluctuations are due to timing of entries and when invoices were due.
    - Carry over for non-calendar year grants are from 2023 to 2024.
    - First quarter reports are as expected. No concerns expressed.

***Motion to Review and Receive Quarterly Financial Update as presented by Health Department***

***Staff: Mark Kaeding***

***2nd Motion: True Vue***

***Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)***

- b. Approve Tenant and Homeowner Environmental Health Literacy Grant
  - Key environmental resource information for tenants and homeowners will be created and put into a booklet and then be distributed to promote awareness and encourage prevention in and around their home.
  - The funding started April 1, 2024, and will go through September 30, 2025.

***Motion to approve Increasing Tenant and Homeowner Environmental Health Literacy Grant as presented by Health Department Staff: Catherine Wildenberg***

***2nd Motion: Terri Miskulin***

***Motion Carried: Yes (unanimous vote)***

- 5. Other information items from staff for the Board-30 minutes
  - a. Annual Report
    - This is the official printed document that BOH approved.
    - Hard copies will be distributed to City Council and County Board members.
    - Electronic links will be shared with partners throughout the community.
    - The annual report is a statutory requirement.
  - b. Health Department Report – highlights discussed
    - Mobile Food Establishment presentation is a newer way to work with food trucks in advance for prevention.
    - Health Department staff continue to prepare for a possible measles outbreak. We have some MMR vaccine available and are a regional holding center. We are trying to get ahead of it by encouraging vaccination.
    - The reproductive health team presented on Mpox at a CDC conference; it was well received.
    - August WIC clinic will be holding monthly clinics at the newest childcare facility-Little Beavers Early Learning Center
    - PFAS update-we continue to work on well water testing as well as working with the DNR and the state health department. City of Eau Claire does their own water testing, our efforts are primarily focused on the County with private wells.
    - COVID vaccination rates discussed.
  - c. HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital/Prevea Update
    - Foundational Public Health Services includes access to and linkage with care.
    - The team has been gathering and analyzing data.
    - Governor Evers \$15 million funding has been delayed.
    - The City attorney wrote a letter to the Department of Health Services and the health department was part of conversations with the Secretary related to concerns.
  - d. Summary of estimated previous year (2023) financial report
    - Preliminary year end financial report was distributed.
    - We are in the process of the audit. The audit final report is typically available for board approval in July.
    - Questions were asked about contractual services. Contractual includes any non-physical expenses, examples are supplies, and postage.
  - e. Overview of Public Health Foundational Services
    - Public Health Foundational Services will continue to be a subject discussed and shared with board members.

- The idea behind the framework is specific to governmental public health and it defines what the minimum standard should be. The thought behind this is to provide more consistency throughout Health Departments in the nation.
  - The foundational areas include Communicable Disease Control, Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention, Environmental Public Health, Maternal, Child and Family Health, and Access to and Linkage with care.
  - The eight Foundational Capabilities include Assessment & Surveillance, Community Partnership Development, Equity, Organizational Competencies, Policy Development and Support, Accountability & Performance Management, Emergency Preparedness, and Response, and Communication.
  - The PHAB national reaccreditation standards highlight the measures and activities that are foundational.
- f. Quality Improvement Plan Update
- The objective of the plan is to provide context and framework for qualifying improvement activities at the Health Department.
  - Discussed how QI, strategic planning, and performance measures are linked.
6. Board member informational items-*10 minutes*
- a. Board of Health Self Evaluation – discuss results
- 100% of responses were satisfied with the work that the board has been doing.
  - Setting goals and priority areas, increasing training, more framework around advocacy were some of the items that the board could focus on. There will be further discussion on this in the future.
- b. WPHA /WAHLDAB Public Health Conference [WALHDAB](#)
- The conference is May 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> in Wisconsin Dells.
  - There is money in the budget for board members to attend if interested.
- c. City Council and County Board Organizational Meetings Update
- New City Council and County Board members have been assigned to commissions and committees.
- d. Public Health Policy/Advocacy
- WPHA/WAHLADAB Policy and Advocacy Committee-legislative grid was shared and discussed. BOH members expressed appreciation for the summary document and awareness of broad array and large volume of legislation reviewed.
- e. Standing committee updates
- City Council: [City Council Agendas | City of Eau Claire, Wisconsin \(eauclairewi.gov\)](#)
    - Josh Miller will continue to serve on the Board of Health as a City Council representative.
  - County Board: [2022 Meeting Agendas & Minutes | Eau Claire County \(eau-claire.wi.us\)](#)
    - David Hirsh will be serving on the Board of Health as a County Board representative.
  - Ground Water Advisory Committee: [Groundwater Advisory | Eau Claire County \(eau-claire.wi.us\)](#) No updates
  - County Opioid Taskforce: [Opioid Task Force | Eau Claire County](#)
  - Three new County Board members were appointed to the task force.

Requests from Board members for future agenda items to be given consideration-*5 minutes*

Next business meeting – May 15, 2024 **(one week early)**

Don Bodeau adjourned the meeting at 6:52pm