

BRANCH-HILLSDALE-ST. JOSEPH
COMMUNITY HEALTH AGENCY
BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES OF 9-23-2010

The meeting of the Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency Board of Health was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Chairperson, Rod Olney, with the following members present:

Mike Dunlap, Robin Baker, Brad Benzing, Ken Lautzenheiser and Dale Swift

Absent: David Pueschel

Also present: Steve Todd, Dr. Phillips, Maureen Petzko, Donna Cowden, Theresa Christner, Kelly Beem, Rebecca Burns and JoAnn Wilicznski

The Chairperson of the Board of Health announced that due to the number of individuals in the audience for who most likely are here because of the Family Planning Title X topic on the agenda, this action issue will be discussed under Communication rather than under New Business for the sake of time. With this proposed change to the Agenda by the Chairperson it was moved by Mr. Swift and supported by Mr. Dunlap. The motion carried.

Mr. Lautzenheiser moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting supported by Mr. Baker. The motion carried.

Under Public Comment there was several individuals that spoke for or against Title X Family Planning Services. The list of speakers is attached to the minutes.

Communication

Title X Family Planning Services was discussed next. Members of the Board of Health expressed their opinions. A roll call vote was taken at this time on the Proposed motion regarding the Renewal of Rental Agreements with Planned Parenthood on the following:

Understanding the importance of accessible family planning services
The Board of Health approves the renewal of the leases with Planned
Parenthood for the sole purpose of offering Title X Family Planning
Services in Three Rivers, Sturgis, Hillsdale and Coldwater.

A short recess was taken by a motion made by Mr. Swift at this time to seek a legal opinion as to whether or not Mr. Pueschel could vote by phone. The motion was supported by Mr. Lautzenheiser. The motion carried.

The meeting reconvened and it was determined that Mr. Pueschel could not vote by via the phone.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Mr. Olney	no	Mr. Dunlap	yes
Mr. Swift	no	Mr. Lautzenheiser	yes
Mr. Benzing	no	Mr. Baker	yes

The motion tied therefore it failed.

Under Communication

Dr. Phillips gave an update to the members present.

Health Officer Report by Steve Todd was as follows:

1. Eastern Equine Encephalitis

The Eastern Equine Encephalitis virus which is transmitted to humans by the bite of an infected mosquito, is still a concern in our area. As of September 17th there have been 4 horses diagnosed with EEE in St. Joseph County. The only human cases that have been diagnosed in Southwest Michigan were located in Kalamazoo and Barry Counties. Mosquitoes and the danger from the diseases that they can transmit will be a concern until late fall when we have a series of hard frosts that will end our exposure to mosquito bites.

2. Prescription Drug Collection

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) has announced a Nationwide Prescription Drug Take-Back Day on September 25, 2010. The "Take-Back" initiative is designed to prevent increased prescription drug abuse and theft. On September 25, 2010, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will collect potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs nationwide; drugs collected will then be taken to destruction sites.

According to the DEA, one in seven teens admits to abusing prescription drugs to get high in the past year. 56 percent of teens believe that prescription drugs are easier to obtain than illicit drugs; and a nationwide survey reported that, in 2008, 6.2 million Americans, age 12 and older, abused prescription drugs for nonmedical purposes.

Turn in your unused, unwanted or expired prescription medications for safe disposal on September 25, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Michigan State Police posts in Coldwater, Jonesville and White Pigeon.

3. Accreditation Review

I participated in the peer observation portion of Allegan County's Accreditation review. I was in attendance for the Powers & Duty section of their review. I found it to be very beneficial, especially because Allegan County is a single

county health department and we are a multi-county agency. I was able to share information on our Agency's operation and observe their method of providing services.

4. Area Agency On Aging

This past week I accompanied Laura Sutter to the State meeting of the Office of Services to the Aging where our agency's Annual Implementation Plan was presented and approved. The commissioners were complementary of our plan. I wish to thank Laura and her staff for preparing a comprehensive document that addresses the needs of our seniors.

5. Agency News

Construction work on the Public Health Dental Clinic is well underway. Advertisements for subcontractors and suppliers have been posted in the Hillsdale Newspaper and bids are being submitted to the General Contractor. Construction of the additional parking lot will begin next week.

Mr. Swift mentioned that he appreciates the additional information in the Health Officer's Report regarding the Administrative Staff involvement for the month. Rod Olney mentioned the new drug on the street called "SPICE". Discussion followed. Mr. Swift moved to accept and place on file the Health Officer Report supported by Mr. Lautzenheiser. The motion carried.

Financial Reports – Donna Cowden, Director of Finance, reviewed the reports with the members present. Mr. Benzing moved to accept and place on file the financial reports as presented with support from Mr. Dunlap. The motion carried.

Area Agency on Aging – Laura Sutter was out of the office and filling in for her was Kelly Beem. Kelly reviewed the Coordinator Report and reviewed with the members present the proposed FY2010-11 Contract Provider Allocations. Discussion followed. Mr. Dunlap moved to approve supported by Mr. Swift. The motion carried.

Prevention Services – JoAnn Wilczynski, Director, reviewed the Service Statistics Report and any updates with the members present.

Steve Todd, Health Officer, at this time introduced Theresa Christner as the newest member of our team. Theresa took John Robertson's position. Theresa at this time reviewed the **Community Health Promotion** Monthly Service Statistics with the members present.

Environmental Health – Rebecca Burns, Director, reviewed the Service Statistics Report together with the Food Service Report of the month with the

members present. Rebecca also gave the members an update as to recent happenings within the three counties.

Committee Reports

Finance – The expenditures submitted for payment were reviewed by the members. Mr. Dunlap moved to approve and supported by Mr. Swift. The motion carried.

Program, Policy and Appeals – nothing at this time

New Business

The proposed 2010-11 Budget was presented, reviewed and discussed. Mr. Dunlap moved to approved with supported from Mr. Swift. The motion carried.

Old Business

Discussion took place regarding a review of the By Laws.

With no further business to be discussed the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Maureen Petzko, BA
Secretary to the Board