

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
Minutes
October 16, 2018

A regular quarterly meeting of the Montgomery County Board of Health was held on October 16, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at the Montgomery County Health Department office, located at 11191 Illinois Route 185, Hillsboro, Illinois. Present at the meeting were: Harold Jurgena, Jerry Wesley, Walter Williams, M.D., Phillip Johnson, M.D., Rick Robbins, Brenda Johnson, R.N., Lou Ellen Anderson, Patty Whitworth, M.D., Taryn Markezich, Lauren Fuller, Robert Mulch, M.D., Cyndy Howard, Lynn Sellers, Lori Beeler, Kimber Deming, Jodi Perkins, and Hugh Satterlee.

Harold Jurgena called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Harold Jurgena asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2018 Board of Health (BOH) meeting. Jerry Wesley made a motion to approve the minutes. It was seconded Dr. Williams. All present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

Harold Jurgena asked the Board members if they had any questions on the supervisors' reports (copies attached) that they received in their packet of meeting materials.

Elder Services report submitted by Lynn Sellers: There were no questions.

Behavioral Health report submitted by Kimber Deming: Dr. Whitworth asked where the three crisis admits were hospitalized. Kimber said they were sent to hospitals outside the county that have psych beds. Dr. Mulch inquired about the mental health day suggestion that was in Kimber's July report. Kimber said that possible activities for that included going to the schools and playing games with the kids that tied in the subject of mental health and sharing educational information. Jerry Wesley asked about the mental health board that he had seen in the newspaper. Kimber said that she believed that was Crossover Ministries, who is trying to get the word out about mental health in general. Dr. Johnson suggested that we interface with faith-based ministries to reach more people in an effort to get those who need it into programs that would help them. There was discussion about other ways to address mental health awareness and suicide prevention. Dr. Johnson asked that suicide prevention be made a permanent agenda item so that updates can be given at each Board meeting.

Environmental Health report submitted by Cyndy Howard: Jerry Wesley asked if the Health Department will no longer be allowed to post the food inspection grades that are currently in establishments. Cyndy said that was correct and that eventually they will all have to be taken down once the Food Code changes.

Public Health report submitted by Kayla Hilt: There were no questions, but Hugh added to the report, stating that 554 flu shots had been given to date.

Maternal Child Health report submitted by Lori Beeler: Dr. Whitworth asked if the 85% of caseload reported for WIC was of capacity. Lori said that it is based on the caseload figure assigned by the State of Illinois.

A motion to approve the supervisors' reports was made by Dr. Whitworth. It was seconded by Brenda Johnson. All present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

Hugh Satterlee gave the Administrator's Report / Fiscal Report. Hugh reported that the bank balance has held steady at a comfortable level for quite some time. He said that he would like to invest \$200,000 in CDs to get a better interest rate than is currently being received on the checking account. The amount would be split between two or more CDs and it would be arranged so that the due dates are staggered. A motion was made by Dr. Whitworth to transfer \$200,000 from the checking account to CDs. The motion was seconded by Brenda Johnson. All present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

Hugh said that the Health Department is helping to promote the drug take back program that is offered through the Sheriff's Department. It is a year round program to collect unused medications, but an awareness push is made in the month of October.

Hugh reported that he had met with staff at St. Francis Hospital (the CEO and E.D. nurse in charge) in response to their feeling that we were not responding to mental health crises the way that we should. Hugh arranged with them to have our staff come out on a test basis to see if our services were used properly when we are called. Since the meeting, approximately two months ago, only one phone call had been received from them. They did not request that someone come out. They wanted us to set up an appointment for the person. On a separate occasion, one of our clients was in their emergency department for mental health issues and they contacted Macoupin County instead of us. Hugh said that he will be meeting with them again to go over the arrangement and to discuss what has occurred since the last meeting.

Hugh gave an update on the Dr. Graham agreement. He said that a contract is in process that provides a monthly fee of \$300 to Dr. Graham for up to two hours of "TB Specialist" services. Any time in excess of that will be billed at a rate of \$175 per hour. Clients who need to be seen will be sent to Dr. Graham's office in Springfield and the Health Department will pay for the cost of the office visit and any tests, etc. that may be required.

Hugh went over some changes that the County Board made to the Health Department's FY19 budget. The health insurance rates that they received were lower than expected. Therefore, the Health Department's health insurance expense line item was lowered. The County Board also added a separate Health Reimbursement Account expense line item to the Health Department's budget. The overall decrease in expenses was \$26,451. Dr. Williams made a motion to approve the changes to the FY19 budget proposal. Dr. Whitworth seconded the motion. All present voted "aye" and the motion carried.

There was nothing under "New Business / Open Discussion."

Under "Personnel Discussion / Legal Status," Hugh reported that the Lori Partch case is still open. Restitution in the amount of \$75 was received in the Veronica Green case.

No Executive Session was needed.

Harold Jurgena asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brenda Johnson made a motion. It was seconded by Jerry Wesley. All present voted "aye" and the meeting adjourned.