

Public Health Advisory Board

Minutes for March 12, 2014

Item 1: Call to Order:

Chair Glasco called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm. The following Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB) members were present: Joe Ayer, Katharine Ann Campbell, John Coe, Theresa Flynn Gasman, Robin Glasco, Barbara Jackson, Linda Heick Kilzer, Cathleen Wyatt and Richard Yoder.

Members not in attendance: Lori Chapman-Sifers, Jessica Delaney, Brad Frost, Julie Gee and Jim Holdridge.

Others Present: Donnell Ewert, HHS, Health Officer Andrew Deckert, PH Branch Director Terri Fields Hosler, PH Deputy Branch Director Brandy Isola, Regional Services (RS) Deputy Branch Director Mary Schrank, Community Development Coordinator Nicole Bonkrude, HHS – Community Relations Tim Mapes, Intern Kelsey Drake, Clinical Nurse Educator at Mercy Sandra Rock, Executive Assistant Katherine Hughes and Administrative Secretary Marjie Andrews.

Welcome:

Chair Glasco extended a warm welcome to PHAB members, guests and Public Health Staff.

Item 2: Public Comments – No public comments.

Item 3: Approval of Minutes: January 8, 2014

Motion: Member Heick Kilzer, seconded by Member Gasman, made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2014 meeting as presented. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the members present.

Item 4: Committee Reports

a. Executive Committee:

Chair Glasco reported the Executive Committee met on February 21, 2014 to set the agenda. It was decided the topic would focus on disaster preparedness followed by a field trip over to the PH Lab for those who wish to tour the facility.

b. Membership Committee:

PH Branch Director Fields Hosler presented the Membership Committee report in Member Frost's absence. She advised the committee met and discussed the upcoming slate of officers, recommendation of renewals for the term 2014-2017, and one membership vacancy.

- i. **Action:** Nominate and elect Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Executive Committee Member-at-Large and Membership Committee Chairperson for the term of April 2014 – March 2015. The recommended nominations are: Theresa Flynn Gasman to Chair, Joe Ayer as Vice Chair, Brad Frost to act as the Membership Committee Chair, and Linda Heick Kilzer to act as the Member-at-large. Member Glasco would move into the Parliamentarian role.

Motion: Member Campbell moved by acclamation and Member Jackson seconded to accept the recommendation. The elected officials for the term 2014-2015 are: Chair – Theresa Flynn Gasman; Vice Chair – Joe Ayer; Membership Committee Chair - Brad Frost; Parliamentarian – Robin Glasco; and Member at large - Linda Heick Kilzer. The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the members present.

- ii. **Action:** Consider recommending the following individuals to the Board of Supervisors for reappointment to the PHAB for three-year terms to March 31, 2017: Joe Ayers and Linda Heick Kilzer (general members).

Motion: Member Yoder moved, and Member Wyatt seconded, to recommend the following individuals to the Board of Supervisors for reappointment to the PHAB for three-year terms to March 31, 2017: Joe Ayer and Linda Heick Kilzer (general members). The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the members present.

PH Branch Director Fields Hosler provided an update on membership recruitment. Due to Rachel Leuck's resignation, an extensive outreach was conducted to fill the position targeting a youth voice, to join the PHAB team. As of the Executive Committee Meeting two weeks ago, there were no applicants to consider. The decision of the Executive Committee was to wait towards the end of summer or fall to re-recruit. Further recommendations will be made following the recruitment.

c. Membership Committee:

Tim Mapes provided an update on the Excellence in Public Health awards which will be held on Friday, May 16, 2014 from 12:00 -2:00 pm at the Veterans Hall. He is looking for additional members to serve on the Planning Committee if anyone is interested.

The press release and nomination form are ready to go and will be sent out by the end of the week. He asked the members to start thinking about nominations. The deadline for nominations is April 16th. He also asked for a volunteer to help co-MC instead of himself, due to time constraints. Joe Ayers agreed to co-MC with Theresa Gasman.

Item 5 – Group Photo (break for photograph)

Item 6: HHS Agency Director's Report:

Agency Director Ewert, MPH announced Katy Eckert has accepted the HHS Business & Support Services Director position. She will be starting as Leanne Link's replacement on March 24th.

Donnell drew attention to his report and further advised that we will not be taking part in the pilot Cal Fresh Sugar Sweeten Beverages program at this time, as discussed at the last meeting. Kern County "may be" doing the pilot, however they were looking for a backup if Kern doesn't work out. We will touch base with them again in June.

Donnell reviewed the current Mental Health budget situation and explained his request going to the Board of Supervisors later this month for a realignment fund transfer from Social Services and Public Health to Mental Health budget.

Donnell briefly mentioned the plans for the Health Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral and Treatment (SBIRT) to be used by Partnership primary care providers to screen adults for excessive alcohol use. (See attachment)

Public Health Branch & Regional Services Branch Directors' Report:

Public Health Branch Director Fields Hosler reviewed the PH Branch report, noting our involvement in the Chaparral Drive incident and provided an overview on the Mercy Grand Rounds presentation by Dr. Felitti on Adverse Childhood Experiences. Discussion followed.

PH Branch Director Fields Hosler clarified we are providing less IZ's in our clinic now that Partnership is in Shasta County, as the Medi-Cal population should be getting them from their assigned provider. Discussion followed and this topic will be agendized for a future PHAB meeting.

RS Deputy Branch Director Mary Shrank provided an update on Health Care Reform. Chair Glasco suggested we get an updated report after the March 31 enrollment coverage deadline. Mary provided current numbers for the NFP program and a review of an obesity report regarding preschool aged children. Mary also reminded everyone that the Shasta Covered website is easy to navigate and a great source of information. Covered Shasta handouts were provided.

Item 7: Presentation on Disaster Planning and PH Emergency Preparedness

PH Branch Deputy Director Brandy Isola introduced Nicole Bonkrude, Community Development Coordinator for public health and supervisor for the Emergency Preparedness unit. Nicole provided a PowerPoint presentation and emphasized that public health's main role is to "reduce the burden in the health care system and to prevent deaths and illness from occurring during emergency disasters. A hand out was also provided on personal planning for disasters. (See attachment)

A disaster drill will be held on Thursday, May 22nd at the Churn Creek Post Office. A signup sheet was provided for those members wanting to attend the disaster drill on May 22, 2014 and an email will follow with specific information on the event. Member Coe referred members to a website called CALPEN, California Preparedness Education Network. It is very detailed and now available to the public.

Item 8: Discussion:

Nicole proposed the question to the members "how can we better assist our vulnerable populations during emergency health threats?" A robust discussion followed.

PH Branch Director Fields Hosler also reminded members about the elective lab tour at 2:00pm following the PHAB meeting.

Dr. Andrew Deckert reported that the meningococcal Group B vaccine not currently available in the US is being administered at UC Santa Barbara under investigational protocol due to a recent outbreak. He also distributed two e-cigarettes fact sheets called "The Truth" and stated this information is available on the PH website.

Chair Glasco said an e-cig policy was just implemented at Shasta Community Health Center. Dr. Deckert commented that e-cigarettes policies are still being discussed and adopted at the local level and PH is collecting that data and supporting these efforts.

Item 9: Member Sharing: None

Item 10: Adjournment at 1:57 pm