

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES**

March 11,2015

The meeting was held at Lois Kratz Wellness Center 1319 Missouri Ave. Jeffersonville IN.

Board Members present were: Fay Allen, Dr. Thaker, Dr. Howard, Dr. Martin, Dr. Kemper, Ed Johnson and Terry Natterman

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Dr. Burke, Mike Meyer, Laura Lindley, Pam Hudson, Bridget McCurdy, Dorothy Waterhouse

Dr. Howard called the meeting to order at 8:05 A.M.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Ms. Allen made a motion to approve the minutes Dr. Thaker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Dr. Martin made a motion to retain the present officers. Dr. Howard Chairman, Dr. Thaker Vice- Chairman. Ms. Natterman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

EBOLA UPDATE

Dr. Burke reported the department had monitored for 21 days each two individuals (per CDC guidelines) who had returned to Clark County from travel to Liberia. Neither required any additional follow-up.

HOSPITAL MERGER

Dr. Burke reported the proposed merger of Clark Memorial was on going. The proposal at this time included a buyout by Lifepoint Health Systems with Nortons being a clinical partner.

HIV OUTBREAK

Dr. Burke reported the Department's regional HIV staff have been involved in an outbreak in Scott County. The normal cases in Scott are less than 5 per year and at this time 30 cases linked to IV drug use have been identified. This large number of cases has overwhelmed local staff and ISDH has requested help from CDC.

ACCREDITATION

Mr. Meyer reported The Community Health Assessment is still progressing and that focus groups are being conducted to verbally receive input from Clark County citizens.

ANNUAL REPORT

Dr. Burke reviewed the 2014 revenues and expenditures. All team leaders reviewed their respective services provided in 2014.

OLD BUSINESS

None reported


NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Meyer reported that the county's insurance carrier excludes Dr. Burke's malpractice for health department activities including medical director for first responders and signing standing orders for schools nurses in the county. The agent is in the process of acquiring a separate policy to cover him for his Health Officer duties.

ADJOURN

There being no further business Dr. Kemper motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Natterman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 A.M.


Dr. James Howard
Board Chairman

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
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May 27, 2015

The meeting was held at Lois Kratz Wellness Center 1319 Missouri Ave. Jeffersonville IN.

Board Members present were: Fay Allen, Dr. Howard, Dr. Martin, Dr. Kemper, and Terry Natterman

Board Members Absent: Ed Johnson, Dr. Thaker

Staff Present: Dr. Burke, Mike Meyer, Kay Branham
Dr. Howard called the meeting to order at 8:05 A.M.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Dr. Martin made a motion to approve the minutes Ms. Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

BUDGET

DR. Burke and Mr. Meyer presented the proposed budget for 2016. The Council had instructed to include 1.5% salary increases for staff. After discussion Dr. Martin made a motion to approve the budget with the addition of 2 environmental positions and one additional nursing position. Dr. Kemper seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

HIV REPORT

Dr. Burke reported there were now 160 HIV cases in the Scott County epidemic. IV drug use is the primary mode of transmission. Clark County staff have done the primary testing and follow-up with help from CDC and other Indiana HIV programs. The State Health Department is coordinating all services thru a command center located in Austin.

HOSPITAL MERGER

Dr. Burke reported the proposed merger of Clark Memorial was on going. The proposal at this time included a buyout by Lifepoint Health Systems with Nortons being a clinical partner.

LIFESPRING

Mr. Meyer reported Lifespring Mental Health Services has been able to bolster services to the HIV clients in Austin who want to seek treatment for drug addiction. They have also offered to counsel any Health Department staff who are becoming stressed due to their involvement with the project and will provide those services free of charge.

DEATH CERTIFICATES

Ms. Branham reported the portion of the Death Certificate fee that goes to the Coroner's training fund had been raised to two dollars per certificate and we are charging a total of eleven dollars. She requested the total fee for each certificate be raised to thirteen dollars to offset the lost revenue. Dr. Kemper made a motion to increase the death certificate fee to thirteen dollars per certificate effective July 1, 2015. Dr. Martin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Meyer reported the County's insurance agent was still pursuing malpractice insurance for Dr. Burke's Health Officer responsibilities.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Burke reported the County Commissioners had adopted a Tattoo ordinance that requires the Health Department to license and inspect those facilities and their staff. Department staff is working to implement the program.

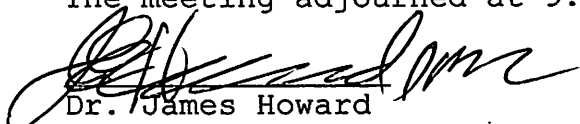
Dr. Burke also reported one case of TB was identified in a student who attended Rock Creek Community Academy. In consultation with the State Department of Health a large number of possible contacts (approximately 700) were screened for TB and 85 of those had positive skin tests and will require further evaluation. This has and will be a staff intensive project for the next few months.

Mr. Meyer reported that Community Health survey being conducted by IU will only cost the department for the mailing fees. IU has been able to fund the development and research portions of the project.

ADJOURN

There being no further business Dr. Kemper motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Martin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 A.M.


Dr. James Howard
Board Chairman

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
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November 4, 2015

The meeting was held at Lois Kratz Wellness Center 1319 Missouri Ave. Jeffersonville IN.

Board Members present were: Fay Allen, Dr. Howard, Dr. Martin, Ed Johnson, and Terry Natterman

Board Members Absent: Dr. Kemper, Dr.Thaker

Staff Present: Dr. Burke, Mike Meyer, Kay Branham, Laura Lindley, Ken Griffin, Amber Mudd

Dr. Howard called the meeting to order at 8:02 A.M.

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Ms. Allen made a motion to approve the minutes Ed Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTORNEY CONTRACT

Robert Bottorff made a presentation to the board explaining what legal services he could provide for the health department and the board. Ms. Allen made a motion to recommend the law office of Robert Bottorff to the County Commissioners to represent the Board of Health. Ed Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

NEEDLE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Dr. Burke reported the application for the needle exchange program is being developed. He reported he has met with all law enforcement agencies in the county to discuss the project and has had positive feedback from them. He has meetings scheduled with us the county prosecutor and the county judges. He also has a meeting with State Representative Terry Goodin to explore possible partnerships.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SURVEY

Ms .Mudd reported on the survey that IU School of Public health has some conducted for the county. She reviewed some of the highlights of the survey and explained that the survey along with data gathered from community focus groups and other demographics would be compiled into a formal community health report.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Mr. Griffin explained to the board his efforts to recruit volunteers to staff emergency points of dispensing is not having a great deal of success. He requested board members that were interested in more information on the opportunity to help with the staffing contact him.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Burke reported that a medical malpractice insurance policy had been secured by the county for his county health officer activities. Dr. Burke also reported the county council had approved two new positions for the department but failed to include enough funding to cover health insurance for those individuals. Mr. Meyer reported the hospital sale had taken place and the contracts for rent with the new landlord had not been signed as of this date. Dr. Burke reported that new HIV cases in Scott County had appeared to level out. The total number of cases at this time are 190. Dr. Burke are also reported that the majority of the individuals that had been exposed to a TB case at Rock Creek Academy earlier in the year have been screened at this point.

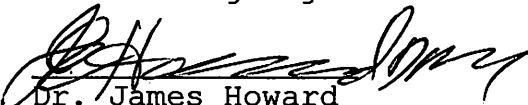
NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Meyer reported that the county commissioners have adopted a new personnel handbook for the county and that the health department handbook will need to be updated. He requested the board personnel committee be involved in the process. The county's human resources department will be reviewing the policy and helping revise. Mr. Meyer also reported the Clark Memorial Hospital Foundation had offered to fund a project for the department. The project that was selected was a mobile medical clinic that could provide services at remote locations in the county. The Foundation is in the process of selecting approved projects.

ADJOURN

There being no further business Mr. Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 A.M.



Dr. James Howard
Board Chairman