

**BOARD OF HEALTH COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
April 9, 2019**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairperson Tom Kelly, Vice Chair Bob Metropulos, Jackie Cody, Steven Schreier, Anne Ovsak, Dr Amy Slette, Jim Winkler

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:** Linda Conlon, Jennifer Chiamulera, Kyla Waksmonski, Todd Troskey and Joneil Tess

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

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**Call to order:** Tom Kelly called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on the second floor of the Health & Aging Building, 100 W. Keenan Street, Rhinelander, WI. The meeting has been properly posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and the facility is handicap accessible.

**Minutes of March 12, 2019:** Winkler noted his absence needed to be changed to an excused absence for the March 12, 2019, because the board was notified at the February 12 meeting he would not be able to attend. Motion by Cody/Schreier to approve the March 12, 2019, Board of Health Committee minutes with above change. All ayes; motion carried.

**Approval of agenda:** Motion by Cody/Winkler to approve today's agenda with the order of items at the Chair's discretion. All ayes; motion carried.

**Public comment/communications:** NONE

**Employee Service Award:** Tabled

- Marta McMillion – 5 years

**Staff Report: PFS/COPE:**

Chiamulera presented a handout for Community, Outreach, Prevention, Education (COPE) Coalition. In 2016, it was decided to merge AODA and Mental Health together to form the Tri-County Coalition. The COPE action plan is to meet all the AODA and Mental Health Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) goals. The Coalition has expanded its membership by bringing on a lot of new partners. There are three subcommittees of the COPE coalition: AODA, Mental Health and Access to Care. The AODA goals are really focused on opioids and meth and are just starting to look at marijuana. A survey was done in the community to get some preliminary data on marijuana. With the data entered at this time, 63% of the survey respondents thought marijuana was harmful to health and 83% felt it would be ok for medical use. The coalition is taking a very close look to see what we can do as a community.

Oneida County has 4 permanent drug collection areas: Marshfield Clinic, Rhinelander, Three Lakes and Minocqua Police Departments. In 2018, 730 lbs. of prescription drugs were collected, which is well over the 130 lbs. collected in 2013. Chiamulera stated they are collecting more and more RX Drugs.

Chiamulera stated mental health is an issue in the tri-county area. The coalition is looking to get local and regional data. The Youth Risk Behavior survey is used to obtain local and regional data and is available for schools to take every 2 years. This year two of the three schools in Oneida County will take or have taken the survey. The Coalition will continue to work with schools to get them to take the survey every two years.

**2019 Budget Update:** Conlon updated on budget and explained the process. Conlon reminded the board that when the budget is done in August, none of the actual grant dollar amounts are known, there are pay raises and health insurance changes that all need to be accounted for and the budget adjusted accordingly. Conlon asked if board would like to approve a new budget. Winkler asked if there is a significant changes in the budget. Conlon stated there are not but there are changes. It was decided it would be fine to show the adjustments with line item transfers as the board reviews and approves them.

**2019 Strategic Plan:** The Strategic Plan Committee has had one meeting to start the process. The committee looked at some county data such as demographics, cancer rates, mortality and morbidity, surveys completed by staff and community partners, our current vision, mission, and guiding principles. There was long discussion of the mission and for the little bit of change suggested, it was decided it would be best to keep it the way it was. The mission really does reflect what we do. Strategic planning is a slow process, we have 2 more meetings with the team and the plan will be written by the end of the year. We will keep the committee informed, they will be able to give input along the way during our updates, and then again, when the draft is presented.

**2018 QI Summary:** Waksmonski presented handout of the 2018 Quality Improvement (QI) Summary. Waksmonski reviewed the QI Project Types and Trends for 2014-2018. A lot of large projects were done in 2018 and there were some which carried over from 2017. Projects that were started this year are less because we have projects that did carry over from the previous year. Waksmonski went over WWWP QI project, what was done and the savings from the project. 2018 QI Project Outcomes often have multiple and overlapping predicted outcomes such as increased efficiency, money savings, improved processes, etc. OCHD did a flu marketing QI Project, which resulted in increased flu shot gives and increased revenue. Costs were saved by digitally sending materials to facilities. 70 more shots were given this flu season compared to last season. 86% of current OCHD staff have been on the QI team sometime between 2015-present. It is important to try to make sure membership rotation is equitable and there is representation from each area.

### **Monthly Updates:**

#### **Environmental Health Report:**

Troskey presented a handout regarding Environmental Health updates. See handout.

Communicable Diseases (3/1/19-3/31/19):

Disease	Investigated	Confirmed/Probable
Arboviral Illness, Jamestown Canyon	1	1
Campylobacteriosis	2	2
Chlamydia Trachomatis Infection	11	11
Cryptosporidiosis	1	1
Giardiasis	2	2
Haemophilus Influenza, Invasive Disease	1	0
Hepatitis A	1	0
Hepatitis B, Chronic	2	2
Hepatitis C, Chronic	8	2
Influenza	1	0
Lyme Disease (B.Burgdorferi)	1	1
Meningitis, Bacterial Other	2	2
Non TB Mycobacterial Disease	2	2
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	6	0
Varicella (Chicken Pox)	1	1

Flu:

There are hospitalizations in every age category. There have been 19 hospitalizations for this flu season which is lower compared to previous season. Starting in February, a strain of the flu which was not in the vaccine started circulating and is still lingering at this time.

Health Hazards 3/9/19-4/8/19):

Hazard Description	New	Existing
Air Quality		
Animals		1
Asbestos		
Dilapidated Structure		
Hazardous Material		
Housing		
Lead Hazards		
Meth		
Mold	2	2
Noxious Smoke/Fumes		
Occupational Hazard		
Other Environmental Hazard		1 (Fuel Oil) 1 (other)

Other Vector		
Radiation Hazards		
Radon		
Sewage Disposal System		
Sewage		
Solid Waste/Garbage	1	
Water Quality		
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>New Cases Closed</b>		<b>-2</b>
<b>Total Open Cases</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>+ 4</b>
		<b>=5</b>
<b>Total Cases from Previous Month</b>		<b>5</b>

Outreach/Communication Report (3/9/19-4/8/19):

Facebook	67
Press Release	1
Presentation	2
Board of Health	
Interview	1
Health Fair	1
School	5
Lobby Slides	
Mailings	1
Phone Outreach	
Newsletter	
<b>Total</b>	<b>78</b>

Facebook Reporting (3/9/19-4/5/19):

Posts	67
Total Reach	19,569
Average Reach per Post	292
Total Engagement (Likes, shares, comments)	1,125
Average Engagement per post	17
Boosts during timeframe	No
Post with largest reach	Ground Turkey Recall on 3/14/19, reach of 2,055

Post with most engagement	Wear Blue Day on 4/5/19, engagement of 292
New Page Likes	44
Total Page Likes	644

**PH Legislative:**

Conlon reviewed WPHAWALDAB 2019-2020 Wisconsin Bill Tracking. A couple bills Conlon highlighted are: Assembly Bill 81 related to licensing dental therapists, which will increase access to dental care, and Assembly Bill 33 relating to expungement of certain crimes, which will offer individuals better outcomes after release such as more job opportunities. Also reviewed were: LRB 1893 related to monitoring groundwater quality standards, and LRB 0686 relating to placement of cigarettes, nicotine products and tobacco products, which would mandate establishments to make sure these items are behind the counter.

Discussion around Medicaid expansion. The proposal will generate 325 million and the money saved will be invested back into public health. Cody/Winkler motioned to have Conlon send letter from the Board of Health in support of the Medicaid expansion and tobacco issues. Winkler would like to have a copy of letter emailed to the board members to get feed back. Draft will be emailed out with a deadline to get back with any suggestions or changes. Conlon will send it out once approved. All ayes: motion carried.

Nicotine Products Ordinance Amendment went to the county board and was passed.

**Vouchers, purchase orders and line item transfers:** Conlon discussed the purchase orders and vouchers in detail and the line item transfers. Motion by Cody/Schreier to accept the purchase orders, vouchers and line item transfers as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

**Agenda items for next meeting:** 2019 Budget Update, Review Citizen Position opening(s)

**Public comment/communications:** None

  
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Committee Chairman

  
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Committee Secretary

