

**Cincinnati Board of Health
Board of Health Meeting
SPECIAL MEETING
January 12, 2012**

Dr. Wael Safi, Chairperson of the Board of Health called the January 12, 2012 meeting of the Cincinnati Board of Health to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board members present: Dr. Dato, Ms. Kinley, Dr. Safi, Dr. Schwen, Dr. Shambley-Ebron, Dr. Davis

Board members absent: Dr. Wenstrup, Dr. Wilson, Dr. Graham

Senior Staff Present: Dr. Noble Maseru, Dr. Camille Jones, Ms. Joyce Tate, Dr. Steven Englender, Mr. Rocky Merz, Dr. Mohammad Alam, Dr. Crumpton, Staci Wagner

**OATH OF OFFICE - WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBER DR. DENISE DAVIS
(ATTACHMENT NO. 1)**

Dr. Davis stated that she is a Board Certified physician with twenty-five years of experience as an obstetrician/gynecologist. The last six years Dr. Davis has worked as a health consultant and hosts “Doctors in the Kitchen” TV show. She spoke about her family and then thanked the Board for her acceptance.

**DECEMBER 13, 2011 BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES
(ATTACHMENT 2)**

Dr. Safi proposed the motion and Dr. Dato seconded the motion.

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the minutes of the December 13, 2011 Board of Health meeting.”

Second: Dr. Dato

Vote: (By Acclamation- Yea/Nay): Unanimously passed and approved

MEETING CANCELLATION – JANUARY 24, 2012 MEETING

Dr. Safi proposed the motion and Ms. Kinley seconded the motion.

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health cancel its meeting scheduled for January 24, 2012.”

Second:

Vote: (By Acclamation- Yea/Nay) Unanimously passed and approved

ROUTINE PERSONNEL ACTIONS (ATTACHMENTS NO. 3 & 4)

- a. Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the four personnel actions on the list identified as Attachment No. 3 dated January 10, 2012.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion: Staci Wagner recommended Andrea Bilbrew for customer relations representative/medical assistant at the Braxton Cann center. Dr. Maseru recommended Lauren Bostick for community health worker and Susan Kasperczyk as public health nurse. Dr. Crumpton recommended Christina Tartar as public health nurse for the School and Adolescent Health program. Dr. Maseru clarified that the local percentage for infant mortality is 8% which is lower than the national goal of 11%.

Vote/Action: passed and approved

(part b to be voted on following the Executive Session)

CONTRACTS/GRANTS

- a. Justin Lane Blackburn – Contract (Attachment No. 5)
\$60,000 1/1/2012 thru 9/30/2014– Dr. Camille Jones

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Justin Lane Blackburn as contractor to provide biostatistics and epidemiology support services in the amount of up to but

not in excess of \$60,000. This agreement is effective January 1, 2012 to on or before September 30, 2014.”

Second: Dr. Dato

Discussion: Dr. Jones stated that the term of the contract was changed however no other aspects of the contract had changed.

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- b. Keith Melvin – Contract (Attachment No. 6)
Up to \$20,000 January 1, 2012 thru June 30, 2012 - Dr. Holditch

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Keith Melvin MD as contractor to provide physician services at the Elm Street Health Center in the amount of up to but not in excess of \$20,000 effective January 1, 2012 to on or before June 30, 2012.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion: Staci Wagner said there were two vacant positions, one at Elm Street and one at Northside. Positions at Elm Street were needed in the interim. Dr. Melvin will work as a physician at the Elm Street Health Center. Dr. Melvin also has experience with EPIC. Dr. Safi asked if volunteer physician groups had been contacted to provide services. Ms. Wagner stated that one volunteer physician was working at Elm Street however was not fulfilling the full capacity for the previous physician, whereas Dr. Melvin will fill in. There has been an effort to acquire physician volunteer support but there had been problems recruiting volunteers and management of volunteers. Dr. Dato stated that the main goal should be to find quality staff.

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- c. Cardinal Health 411 Inc. – Contract (Attachment No. 7)
Up to \$2,600,000 January 9, 2012 thru January 8, 2015 – Joyce Tate

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Cardinal Health 411, Inc. for the purchase of pharmaceuticals through the Cincinnati Health Department Central Pharmacy for a total of \$2,600,000. This agreement is a one year contract with two twelve month renewal periods and is effective January 9, 2012 through January 8, 2015.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion: Ms. Tate introduced Jeff Buka, Pharmacy Director. Mr. Buka said that there were two contracts that needed approval to provide pharmaceuticals to the clinics and switching from Amerisource to Cardinal as the primary provider would save about \$10,000. Both companies have been dependable and CHD had used them for years. A discussion began between Dr. Safi and Mr. Buka regarding the language of the contract and how the two renewal periods worked. Dr. Schwen asked if the contract included individual drug pricing. Ms. Tate said it is put out to bid to get the best price. Dr. Safi continued with the vote as was and any changes to the contract could happen during the interim.

Vote/Action: passed and approved

(Amerisource Bergen was added as an addendum)

- e. Amerisource Bergen — Agreement
Up to \$1.6 million January 12, 2012 thru January 11, 2015 (Joyce Tate)

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the agreement for the purchase of pharmaceuticals for Primary Care Centers between the Cincinnati Health Department and Amerisource Bergen in the amount of up to \$1,600,000 per year effective January 12, 2012 through January 11, 2015.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion: Dr. Dato asked how Amerisource would work as a backup provider and Mr. Buka provided examples. He also stated that although the contract stated \$1.6 million, the actual amount used would probably not be close to that. Dr. Dato asked for clarification and stated that the funds would be allocated even if not all used.

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- d. Kim Toole – Contract (Attachment No. 8)
Up to \$75,000 January 1, 2012 thru December 31, 2012 – Bob Schlanz

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Kim Toole to provide services as a Nurse Practitioner at the Health Centers in the amount of up to but not in excess of \$75,000 effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.”

Second: Dr. Dato

Discussion: Dr. Maseru said that Kim Toole would provide services with the Board's approval. Dr. Crumpton said Ms. Toole was primarily working at Price Hill health center and filled in during a vacant period between physicians. Ms. Toole is on the faculty at Xavier and is an exemplary nurse and nurse practitioner. Dr. Maseru stated that Ms. Toole had provided support in the Home Health nursing program.

Vote/Action: passed and approved

(Contracts A – H with various cities to provide Public Employees Assistance Program services from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013)

A. Contract – Madeira & Indian Hill District – \$4,080 (Attachment A)

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the contract between the Cincinnati Health Department and the Madeira & Indian Hill District to provide Public Employee Assistance program services in the amount of \$4,080 effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion: Dr. Camille Jones said that the PEAP program contracts with other entities to provide services that do not maintain their own.

Vote/Action: passed and approved

B. Contract – Miami Township – \$13,196 (Attachment B)

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the contract between the Cincinnati Health Department and Miami Township to provide Public Employee Assistance program services in the amount of \$13,196 effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion:

Vote/Action: passed and approved

C. Contract – Deer Park/Silverton District – \$5,220 (Attachment C)

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the contract between the Cincinnati Health Department and Deer Park/Silverton District to provide Public Employee

Assistance program services in the amount of \$5,220 effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion:

Vote/Action: passed and approved

D. Contract – City of Milford – \$8,290 (Attachment D)

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the contract between the Cincinnati Health Department and the City of Milford to provide Public Employee Assistance program services in the amount of \$8,290 effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion:

Vote/Action: passed and approved

E. Contract – City of Mt. Healthy – \$2,400 (Attachment E)

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the contract between the Cincinnati Health Department and the City of Mt. Healthy to provide Public Employee Assistance program services in the amount of \$2,400 effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion:

Vote/Action: passed and approved

F. Contract – City of North College Hill – \$2,960 (Attachment F)

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the contract between the Cincinnati Health Department and the City of North College Hill to provide Public Employee Assistance program services in the amount of \$2,960 effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion:

Vote/Action: passed and approved

G. Contract – City of Norwood – \$17,500 (Attachment G)

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the contract between the Cincinnati Health Department and the City of Norwood to provide Public Employee Assistance program services in the amount of \$17,500 effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion:

Vote/Action: passed and approved

G. Contract – Village of Woodlawn – \$2,250 (Attachment H)

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the contract between the Cincinnati Health Department and the Village of Woodlawn to provide Public Employee Assistance program services in the amount of \$2,250 effective January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion:

Vote/Action: passed and approved

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dr. Safi proposed a motion for the Board go into executive session to discuss imminent litigation.

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 for the purpose of discussing imminent litigation.”

Second: Ms. Kinley

Discussion:

Vote/Action: passed and approved

(Board reconvenes following return from Executive Session)

a. Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the personnel actions on the list identified as attachment no. 4 dated January 12, 2012.”

Second: Ms. Kinley
Discussion:
Vote/Action: passed and approved

**HEALTH COMISSIONER'S COMMENTS/BOARD MEMBERS'
COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS**

Dr. Englander discussed the planning for the World Choir Games which will take place in the summer of 2012. He stated that a meeting would be held to discuss how to best monitor and prevent any possible health effects.

Dr. Dato asked what the attendance would be. Dr. Englander stated there is expected to be up to 200,000. He said this number was based on previous events. The World Choir Games will be spread out over two weeks.

Dr. Graham stated that the health of the everyone during the event is very important and thanked Dr. Englander for his work. Dr. Englander said there may not be temporary permits at this event.

Dr. Jones mentioned the Creating Healthy Communities grant was refunded in CHD's efforts with nutrition, tobacco cessation, chronic disease prevention, policy change, etc. Ohio Department of Health (ODH) was looking for a statewide logo and CHD's submission was selected.

Dr. Alam said that the solid waste program passed and is on ODH's approved list.

Dr. Jones stated that information would be presented at the next meeting about Healthy Homes.

Dr. Crumpton said that her division was in the middle of a grant planning process for a long-term solution due to the loss of school health nurses.

Ms. Tate said that the FQHC renewal application would be due shortly. In addition, a community breakfast will be hosted with the CCPC Board in order to meet community leaders in the upcoming months.

Dr. Safi wished everyone a belated Happy New Year and thanked everyone for their work. He said aside from the challenges to keep a positive tone.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board of Health meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 28, 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Safi adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by:

Minutes Approved by:

Ashley Auciello, Clerk to the Board
Cincinnati Board of Health

Wael Safi, Pharm.D.
Chairman, Board of Health

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