

**Cincinnati Board of Health
Board of Health Meeting
June 25, 2013**

Ms. Kinley, Chairperson of the Board of Health, called the June 25, 2013 meeting of the Cincinnati Board of Health to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board members present: Dr. Camille Graham, Ms. Joyce Kinley, Dr. Richard Schwen, Dr. Kelly Firesheets, Dr. Denise Davis, Mr. Ernest McAdams, Mr. Daniel Molina
Board members absent: Dr. Donna Shambley-Ebron, Dr. Mark Dato
Senior Staff Present: Dr. Mohammad Alam, Dr. Steven Englender, Mr. Bob Schlanz, Dr. Noble Maseru, Mr. Rocky Merz, Dr. Marilyn Crumpton, Dr. Camille Jones, Dr. Lawrence Holditch

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE AWARD NOMINEE RECOGNITION

Patricia Carlyn, CHD Nursing Director, introduced this year's Florence Nightingale Award nominees; Nancy Brill, Kathy Frede, Kathy Reder. The recipient of the Dean's List Award was Michelle Daniels. There were nearly 500 nurses nominated for the awards from around the region. Kathy Frede had been a nurse at CHD for almost eleven years. Nancy Brill had been with CHD for about ten years, most notably working in the Stinky Feet program which provided education for good hygiene to children. Michelle Daniels had been a nurse at CHD for about 15 years. (Kathy Reder was unable to attend the meeting).

**PRESENTATION – WEST NILE VIRUS
ANTONIO YOUNG**

West Nile Virus (WNV) is a mosquito-borne disease that affects the nervous system, however, most people who are exposed are asymptomatic. In the U.S., WNV spiked in 2002 and in 2006, with 2012 being one of the worst years. In 2012, CHD shipped over 6,000 mosquitoes from 56 fixed sites to the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) to determine if they were positive for WNV. The number of human cases could be minimized with the knowledge of where WNV positive mosquitoes were found.

In April 2013, ODH discontinued mosquito testing. In response, CHD still planned to conduct testing at past positive locations, increase educational outreach and continue to respond to citizen complaints.

Ways to protect yourself: avoid peak biting periods (dawn and dusk), use mosquito repellants, wear loose fitting clothing, screen windows and doors, eliminate breeding sites (standing water) and use mosquito dunks. For more information, visit www.cdc.gov/westnile.

If a property has been foreclosed on it is difficult to treat. The elimination of the WNV surveillance by ODH came at an unfortunate time, just one year after the second worst season on record. Environmental surveillance is important as it precedes finding human cases.

**PRESENTATION – AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVOCATES (AHA)
ALICE SKIRTZ & KIAFI RA MOYO**

A video called “Who Needs Affordable Housing?” was presented. Translation services were needed to provide resources to the Hispanic community, many of whom could afford a new home.

An annual housing report is provided on the AHA website which breaks down into topics such as diversity, costs and utilities. Families comprised of multiple generations had become more common.

**PRESENTATION – INFANT MORTALITY REDUCTION COLLABORATIVE
RYAN ADCOCK & DR. JIM GREENBERG**

The death of a baby before its first birthday is considered an Infant Mortality. The Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) is determined by the number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births. In industrialized countries worldwide the IMR was about five babies per 1,000 born.
Ohio IMR: about 7.7 babies per 1,000 born;
Hamilton County IMR: 9.2 babies per 1,000;
City of Cincinnati IMR: 13.1 babies per 1,000;
African American population IMR in Cincinnati: 18 babies per 1,000.

The *First Steps* program was initiated by CHD to address this issue, along with many other programs. The purpose of the IMR Coalition was to get everyone on the same page. The Coalition would be co-chaired by Councilmember Young. CHD was asked to provide expertise and to join.

**EMERGENCY ORDER: DECLARING PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY &
REQUIRING ABATEMENT (Attachment No. 14)**

Proposed Order: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve the emergency order declaring conditions on the property located at 1143 Atwood Avenue a public health emergency as said forth in the order included as attachment No. 14.”

Second: Mr. McAdams

Discussion: Violation notices had been sent to the property owners connected to the private sewer line responsible for the sewage collected at 1143 Atwood Ave. Problems with the sewer line had occurred as many as seventeen times, where CHD workers had been contacted.

Vote/Action: passed and approved

**APRIL 23, 2013 MINUTES
(Attachment No. 1)**

Ms. Kinley proposed the motion and Dr. Firesheets seconded the motion to approve the April 23, 2013 minutes. The minutes were approved as submitted.

**MAY 28, 2013 MINUTES
(Attachment No. 2)**

Ms. Kinley proposed the motion and Mr. McAdams seconded the motion to approve the May 28, 2013 minutes. The minutes were approved as submitted.

FINANCE REPORT – BOB SCHLANZ

Historically, CHD had received about \$350,000 annually in capital funding from the city’s general fund. There had been little opportunity to increase this amount over the last ten years. CHD would be requesting additional capital dollars for facility renovations during the next several years. The two facilities were the Health and Wellness Center in Madisonville as part of the neighborhood re-development project; and major renovation at the Elm St. health center location. The information exchange between OCHIN and Health Bridge would pass documents originating from hospitals, specialists, labs and others, directly into CHD Epic EMR system. The replacement of old CHD desktop computers was underway and the cost to replace 60-80 units was estimated at \$40,000 to \$60,000. The city had not yet determined how the parking lease funds by the Port Authority would be spent.

RESOLUTION – BUDGET RESTORATION (Attachment No. 3)

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board of Health approve Resolution No. 2013-06 identified as Attachment No. 3.”

Second: Dr. Davis

Discussion: They recommended that if parking lease proceeds, or other revenue sources become available, immediate action be taken by the Mayor and Cincinnati City Council to restore \$1.8 million in general funds to the Cincinnati Health Department in order to protect the public health in Cincinnati.

Vote/Action: passed and approved

ROUTINE PERSONNEL ACTIONS (Attachment No. 4)

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 June 7, 2013.”

Second: Mr. McAdams

Discussion: There was one rehire, Marcia McLaughlin, as public health consultant in the PEAP program.

Vote/Action: passed and approved

GRANTS/CONTRACTS

- A. J&M and Associates - Contract, 2nd Amendment (Attachment No.5)
Up to \$186,380 (Additional \$62,960) 3/1/2011 thru 1/1/2014 – Dr. Camille Jones

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the amendment to the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and J&M and Associates to increase the original amount of the contract by \$62,960, for a total of up to but not in excess of \$186,380, effective March 1, 2011 through March 1, 2014.”

Second: Dr. Davis

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- B. Warner Preparedness - Contract, 4th Amendment (Attachment No. 6)
(Amt: \$291,000) 8/10/2010 thru 6/30/2014 – Dr. Steven Englander

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the amendment to the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Warner Preparedness Services to extend the term of the agreement for one additional year effective August 10, 2010 through June 30, 2014.”

Second: Dr. Davis

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- C. InterAct for Change - Contract (Attachment No. 7)
Up to \$22,000 6/3/2013 thru 12/3/2013

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and InterAct For Change to support implementation for Mt. Airy School-Based Health Center in the amount of up to but not in excess of \$22,000 effective June 3, 2013 to on or before December 3, 2013.”

Second: Dr. Davis

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- D. Urban Appalachian Council - Contract, 2nd Amendment (Attachment No. 8)
Up to \$203,640 (Orig. Amt: \$19,400; 1st Amend: \$99,900)
1/1/2012 thru 8/31/2014

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the amendment to the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and Urban Appalachian Council to increase the contract amount by \$88,800, for a total of up to but not in excess of \$203,640, and extend the term of this agreement to be effective January 1, 2012 through August 31, 2014.”

Second: Mr. McAdams

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- E. Greater Cincinnati HealthBridge Inc. - Contract (Attachment No.9)
Up to \$5,400 7/1/2013 thru Indefinite – Bob Schlantz

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,
“That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and HealthBridge Inc. to operate a Health Information Exchange (HIE) in the amount of up to but not in excess of \$5,400 per year. The term of the agreement will begin July 1, 2013 and will be automatically renewed annually unless terminated by either party in writing.”

Second: Mr. McAdams

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- F. Talbert House – Contract (Attachment No.10)
Lease Agreement 9/1/2013 thru 8/31/2016 - Joyce Tate

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and the Talbert House to lease and occupy certain premises in the building at no cost, effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016.”

Second: Dr. Firesheets

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- G. Ohio Dept. of Job and Family Services – Grant Contract (Attachment No. 11)
Up to \$33,415 7/1/2013 thru 9/30/2013 – Joyce Tate

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services to provide health screenings for all eligible participants in the amount of up to but not in excess of \$33,415, effective July 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013.”

Second: Mr. Molina

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- H. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (Attachment No. 12)
Cincinnati Dental Society, Oral Health Foundation – To provide dental services to non-insured patients at no cost.

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding to provide dental services to non-insured patients beginning July 1, 2013 and shall continue unless terminated by either party in writing.”

Second: Dr. Graham

Vote/Action: passed and approved

- I. GO Beyond LLC– Contract (Attachment No. 13)
Up to \$2,400 8/1/2013 thru 7/31/2014 – Dr. Elizabeth Kelly

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

“That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department and GO Beyond LLC to provide software system support for the FIMR program in the amount of up to but not in excess of \$2,400, effective August 1, 2013 to on or before July 31, 2014.”

Second: Mr. Molina

Vote/Action: passed and approved

HEALTH COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS / BOARD MEMBERS’ COMMENTS / OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. Holditch – Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) program was in progress. An applicant accepted the pediatric position at Price Hill after the hiring freeze was lifted. Negotiation was underway to provide counseling and case management services to Medicaid patients at health centers who have a mental health diagnosis. These services would be provided at no cost to the health department and would also address health care needs of patients.

Dr. Englender – CHD hosted an emergency preparedness exercise involving various jurisdictions and the Ohio Department of Health. The exercise was a learning experience.

The Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) continued to increase. There were 77 cases, 40 fatal and 60 from Saudi Arabia.

A dozen illnesses in north-central Indiana had been investigated, several had tested positive for influenza, one of those identified as H3N2v. Temperatures in the region remained high but a heat emergency had not been declared. The criteria for a heat emergency are consistent with CDC guidelines.

Dr. Alam – Members of HIA were invited to attend a meeting in Columbus. Ken Sharkey from the Food Inspection program was retiring. His work and competency had been recognized.

Ms. Carlyn – The Home Health Advisory committee met June 20. Membership retention was discussed.

Mr. Schlantz – The Board had approved a contract for Medlab, which had later been sold to LabCorp.

Mr. Merz - CHD was mentioned in The Nation's Health for efforts around National Public Health Week.

Dr. Maseru - The Affordable Housing Advocates were commended for their presentation. Infant Mortality Reduction Collaborative would meet July 10. CHD's work in reducing infant mortality would continue in addition to partnering with the Infant Mortality Reduction Collaborative. Dr. Kelly and Dr. Greenberg were identified as the co-leaders of the Collaborative.

CHD nurse Michelle Daniels was the recipient of the Florence Nightingale Dean's award. Three other nurses recognized at the Florence Nightingale Awards ceremony; Kathy Reder, Kathy Frede and Nancy Brill.

Ms. Kinley commended the staff for their efforts.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board of Health meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Kinley adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by:

Minutes Approved by:

Ashley Auciello, Clerk to the Board
Cincinnati Board of Health

Joyce Kinley, BA
Chairperson, Board of Health

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