## Cincinnati Board of Health Board of Health Meeting March 26, 2013

Ms. Kinley, Chairperson of the Board of Health, called the March 26, 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, Mr. Ernest McAdams, Mr. Daniel Molina, Dr. Richard Schwen, Dr. Kelly Firesheets, Dr. Mark Dato, Dr. Shambley-Ebron

**Board members absent**: Dr. Denise Davis

**Senior Staff Present**: Dr. Larry Holditch, Dr. Mohammad Alam, Dr. Steven Englender, Mr. Bob Schlanz, Dr. Noble Maseru, Mr. Rocky Merz, Dr. Marilyn Crumpton, Dr.

Elizabeth Kelly, Dr. Camille Jones

# RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS DR. SAFI AND DR. WENSTRUP

Ms. Kinley and Dr. Maseru thanked Dr. Wenstrup and Dr. Safi for their service as Board members. Dr. Wenstrup served as a Board member for one term. Dr. Safi served as Board member for two terms and as Chair for two consecutive terms. (applause)

#### PRESENTATION: ANTI-OBESITY EFFORTS

**SPEAKERS:** Jessica Shelly, CPS Food Services Director; Dr. Marilyn Crumpton, Medical Director, School & Adolescent Health; Denisha Porter, Program Director, Health Promotions & Worksite Wellness

Dr. Crumpton introduced Jessica Shelly, Denisha Porter and Carmen Burks (Safe Routes to School), and thanked them for all of their work in the fight against obesity.

**Ms. Shelly -** The CPS school district consisted of about 35,000 students. During each school year about 5.5 million school breakfasts and lunches had been served, more meals than any other restaurant chain in Cincinnati. CPS school district had won several awards and received national press coverage for the healthy foods provided.

Students had a variety of healthy food choices, ranging from options of zero trans fats to steamed vegetables using no salt or butter. Breakfast food options had contributed to more student participation, and contributed to the decrease in obesity rates. There had been many partnerships involved in school health, and currently there were 14 school gardens throughout the city.

**Ms. Porter** - The CHD Health Promotion and Worksite Wellness Program was awarded the Creating Healthy Communities grant in 2010 from the Ohio Department of Health. The focus areas of the program were Bond Hill, Madisonville and Winton Hills/Spring Grove. Initiatives included Healthy Monday, Let's Move Cincinnati, Tristate Workplace Wellness Collaborative and many others.

Tamaya Dennard, of Councilmember Sittenfeld's office, spoke about the partnerships involved with the Let's Move campaign, among the largest having been the collaboration with the Health Promotion and Worksite Wellness program.

**Dr.** Crumpton – One of the purposes of this presentation was to help people understand the impact of childhood obesity. This generation would be facing the possibility of not living as long as their parents unless significant changes were made. About 25 million Americans live in food deserts, 6.5 million of which were children. Obesity had been on the rise for the last forty years.

Part of the initiative was sending home messages to parents about proper nutrition and physical activity. There were Student Wellness Champions and Staff Wellness Champions at every school. One of the eight components of coordinated school health was employee wellness; modeling good behavior is what helps children understand what good behaviors to have.

Carmen Burks spoke about the Safe Routes to School program.

Ms. Kinley thanked each of the presenters for their time and for the work they had accomplished. Board members also thanked them for their work.

# TWO HIA REPORTS: Grade Retention in CPS Schools & Demolition of a Lead Painted Bridge Adjacent to a Residential Area

Ms. LiAnne Howard and Dr. Mohammad Alam gave a brief description of what Health Impact Assessments are and the purpose of informing decision makers about the health aspects of the decision they are considering. City Transportation and Engineering were involved early on in the process, and the two HIA reports were provided at the meeting. Air quality had been monitored from the beginning of the demolition.

Dr. Jones - The HIA committee sought information about what happens when a bridge comes down, instead of what happens when a house comes down; there was no information. The research of the demolition of the Wald-Vogel bridge would set a national standard.

## **RESOLUTION - MEDICAID EXPANSION (Attachment No.2)**

Ms. Kinley proposed the motion and Dr. Graham seconded the motion,

"That the Board of Health approve Resolution No. 2013-04 identified as Attachment No. 2."

**<u>Vote/Action</u>**: passed and approved

### **ROUTINE PERSONNEL ACTIONS (Attachment No. 3)**

Ms. Kinley proposed the motion and Mr. McAdams seconded the motion,

"That the Board of Health approve the personnel actions on the list identified as Attachment No. 3 dated March 21, 2013."

<u>Discussion:</u> There was one promotion, Mr. Robert Pfirrman as Supervisor of Maintenance.

**Vote/Action:** passed and approved

#### FINANCIAL REPORT – BOB SCHLANZ

There was no report. Mr. Schlanz provided an explanation of the general fund budget process for the next fiscal year. The Health Department's overall budget was over \$40 million, and the general fund budget was about \$22 million. All departments were asked to submit a continuation budget for the next fiscal year with a 3% reduction. There would be potential budget reductions and layoffs beginning as early as May. The City revenues were much lower than projected and most of it had been committed to projects.

#### **GRANTS/CONTRACTS**

a. Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati – Grant (Attachment No. 4) Amount: \$75,000 3/15/2013 thru 3/30/2014 – Dr. Lawrence Holditch

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

"That the Board approve the grant to provide support for the expansion in Primary Care Capacity Program in the amount of \$75,000, effective March 15, 2013 through March 30, 2014."

Second: Dr. Dato

<u>Discussion:</u> The purpose of this grant was to expand the number of services. The proposal had been approved by the city. The Health Foundation would require an evaluation for this project that would track the new patients.

#### **Action:**

Dr. Dato	YES
Dr. Firesheets	ABSTAIN
Mr. McAdams	YES
Mr. Molina	YES
Dr. Graham	YES
Dr. Shambley-Ebron	YES
Dr. Schwen	YES
Ms. Kinley	YES

**Vote:** passed and approved

b. Victoria Wells Wulsin - Contract,  $1^{st}$  Amendment (Attachment No. 5) Up to \$36,000 1/1/2013 thru 6/30/2013 - Dr. Lawrence Holditch (no change in dollar amount)

**Proposed Motion:** At the request of the Health Commissioner,

"That the Board approve the first amendment to the contract between the Cincinnati Health Department and Victoria Wells Wulsin as Special Assistant to the Health Commissioner and also to provide Reproductive Health Physician services to extend the term of the contract for an additional three months effective January 1, 2013 to on or before June 30, 2013."

**Second:** Dr. Graham

**Discussion:** 

Vote/Action: passed and approved

c. OCHIN, Inc. – Contract Amendment; Add Services (Attachment No. 6) Contract - \$490,609 10/17/2010 thru 21/1/2014 - Bob Schlanz

"That the Board approve the amendment to the contract between the Cincinnati Health Department and OCHIN, Inc. to provide additional services not covered in the original contract."

**Second:** Dr. Shambley-Ebron

**Discussion:** CHD is a member of the OCHIN network. The first amendment to this

contract was made in 2011

**Vote/Action:** passed and approved

d. Aetna Better Health, Inc. - Contract (Attachment No. 7) Fees for Service Effective for 1 year of executed agreement – Kelli Kohake

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

"That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department Aetna better Health, Inc. to provide Home Health services to commercial and Dual Eligible Aetna members. The term of this contract is effective for one year of the executed agreement and will be automatically renewed for one additional year unless terminated by either party."

**Second:** Dr. Dato

**Discussion:** The new Director Of Nursing, Patricia Carlyn, stated that this was to add

home health services to the contract. **Vote/Action:** passed and approved

e. Aetna Better Health, Inc. - Contract (Attachment No. 8) Fees for Service Effective for 1 year of executed agreement – Dr. Lawrence Holditch

Proposed Motion: At the request of the Health Commissioner,

"That the Board approve the agreement between the Cincinnati Health Department Aetna better Health, Inc. to provide Primary Care services to Medicaid-Medicare Dual Eligible Aetna members. The term of this contract is effective for one year of the executed agreement and will be automatically renewed for one additional year unless terminated by either party."

**Second:** Dr. Dato

**Vote/Action:** passed and approved

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

Dr. Crumpton – The health services model being used at CPS schools was part of the community learning center model, a very in-depth and engaged process. This model was presented to high-poverty schools in Alabama.

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Ms. Carlyn – Ms. Carlyn thanked everyone for welcoming her to CHD.

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Dr. Kelly – There would be a Maternal and Infant Health presentation at a later date to give new Board members more information about the program.

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Dr. Englender - A poster was presented at the annual National Preparedness summit about the collaboration for the World Choir Games which was very well received.

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Dr. Holditch – The health center staff would be engaging in strategic learning sessions, which will focus on access to services and customer service.

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Dr. Jones – There were updates in the Lead program coming up in April. The Environmental Health Services program was asked to be a guest on the Community Development Department's Citicable show to discuss demolition and safety procedures for residents who live nearby.

There would potentially be up to an 8% budget cut from ODH grants for the year. The programs subject to the budget cut were the Immunization Action Plan, Creating Healthy Communities and PHEP.

Another Bed Bug Task Force meeting was scheduled. Based on the most recent survey, bed bug problems had been on the decline.

Applications were being developed for CDC associates as a result of the positive experience with the current associate.

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Dr. Alam – The Ohio Department of Health notified CHD that due to budgetary constraints, testing for West Nile virus might be affected.

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Mr. Merz - New murals by local artist Annie Ruth were installed at the Elm Street Vital Records Office. The artwork was a product of CPS students at several schools. National Public Health Week would begin April 1. The theme would be Return On Investment.

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Dr. Maseru – According to the CDC, in 1900 life expectancy was 47 years of age. By the end of the century, life expectancy reached 77 years of age. 35 of the 30 additional years of life expectancy was due to public health practice, such as nutrition, exercise, etc. Only five of those additional years were contributed to medical intervention. The Lead Program tested for 5-9 micrograms per deciliter of blood lead levels as the threshold for intervention; at that time, the national threshold was 10 micrograms per deciliter. Last year, the national standard established the 5-9 micrograms per deciliter threshold.

Dr. Maseru thanked the staff for their work in setting new standards in each of the programs. The work was an exceptional level of public health practice.

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Ms. Kinley said that the work of CHD was cutting edge and thanked everyone for their work. Board members had been proactive about the expansion of Medicaid in Ohio. She invited everyone to an upcoming forum about the Medicaid expansion. The advocacy efforts in Cincinnati had been mentioned in the NALBOH newsletter.

Dr. Schwen attended the Business Courier Health Care Heroes Awards ceremony, in which the OneSight Vision Center had won the award for Community Outreach.

# **NEXT MEETING**

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

# ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Kinley adjourned the meeting at 8:00 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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