

SALT LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES  
June 6, 2019 7:30 AM  
County Government Center  
Suite N2-800

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Dr. William Cosgrove, Chair  
Councilmember Arlyn Bradshaw  
Scott Brown  
Clare Coonan  
Judy Cullen  
Mayor Robert Dahle

Brooke Hashimoto  
Roderic Land  
Leticia Medina  
Dr. Ruedi Tillmann  
Dr. Dorothea Verbrugge

**EXCUSED/ABSENT:**

Russ Booth  
Kelly Christensen

Chris Hemmersmeier  
Lavanya Mahate

**GUESTS/STAFF:**

Gary Edwards, Exec. Dir.  
Dagmar Vitek, Deputy Dir.  
Jeff Smart, CH Dir.  
Christopher Otto, HS Deputy Dir.  
Ron Lund, EH  
Jeff Oaks, EH  
Tom Trevino, EH  
Karla Bartholomew, EH  
Ed Dieringer, Bennion Learning Center

Dorothy Adams, Deputy Dir.  
Royal DeLegge, EH Dir.  
Zachary Stovall, Fiscal Mng.  
Mitch Park, Deputy Dist. Atty.  
Eric Peterson, EH  
Andrea Gamble, EH  
Bonnie Catten, EH  
Josh Wolf, EH  
Heather Edwards, Admin

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The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:30 AM by Dr. William Cosgrove, Chair, of the Salt Lake County Board of Health.

**MINUTES:**

Dr. Cosgrove asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2019, Board of Health meeting. *The motion was made by Judy Cullen, seconded by Dr. Ruedi Tillmann, to approve the minutes from the May 2, 2019, Board of Health meeting.* The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted "Aye." Board members Councilmember Bradshaw, Scott Brown, and Roderic Land were not present for the vote.

**CHAIR'S REPORT:**

*Excused Board Members*

Dr. Cosgrove informed the Board that Russ Booth and Chris Hemmersmeier asked to be excused from the meeting today.

*Board Member Thank You*

Dr. Cosgrove informed Board members that Kelly Christensen, Judy Cullen, and Chris Hemmersmeier board terms expire at the end of the month. He presented Judy Cullen with a clock to thank her for her service for the past six years which began in 2013. Gary will reach out to Kelly and Chris to deliver their Board thank you gifts.

*Utah Association of Local Boards of Health (UALBH) Representative*

Dr. Cosgrove asked the Board to select a representative for the UALBH steering committee to replace Judy Cullen. Leticia Medina stated she would be willing to represent the Board and Dr. Cosgrove asked if there was a motion to approve. *The motion was made by Clare Coonan, seconded by Judy Cullen, to appoint Leticia Medina as a Salt Lake County Board of Health representative on UALBH.* The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted "Aye." Board members Councilmember Bradshaw, Scott Brown, and Roderic Land were not present for the vote.

*Vaccine Act Letter*

Dr. Cosgrove informed Board members that he received a letter, through the Greater Salt Lake Immunization Coalition, asking for the Boards support on a Congressional letter requesting CDC to study vaccine hesitance in vulnerable populations, as a way to increase vaccination rates and education throughout the country. Dr. Cosgrove asked if there was a motion to approve this request. *The motion was made by Leticia Medina, seconded by Judy Cullen, to approve the Board of Health support of the Congressional letter.* The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted "Aye." Board members Councilmember Bradshaw, Scott Brown, and Roderic Land were not present for the vote.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Gary thanked Judy for her service on the Board of Health.

*New Household Hazardous Waste Facility*

Gary informed Board members that the department will begin working on a new permanent Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facility. Sandy City has offered land to the County at their public works location and funding for this building project was discussed at a recent County Council meeting to inform them that the request will be formalized as part of the department's June budget adjustments.

*Medical Cannabis Update*

Gary stated that medical cannabis dispensaries are being discussed at the legislative level with various County attorneys and it is looking like local health departments will not have a role in the dispensaries. There are several issues surrounding dispensaries being administered by County employees and other proposals are being developed, including UDOH placing dispensaries in state buildings. Gary will continue to update the Board.

*Lead Testing in Schools*

Gary informed the Board that although recent legislation was not passed that would require schools to test lead in drinking water, the local health departments are working with school districts to make the program work without the mandate. The Department of Environmental Quality will be receiving federal funding that could be used by schools to begin these testing efforts for the upcoming school year.

*Measles Update*

Gary informed Board members there have been over 1,000 cases of measles reported across the Country, with no confirmed cases in Utah. The department continues to receive suspect cases and is reaching out to area school districts to prepare for the upcoming school year and remind them of the

requirements of Health Regulation #38. He stated that one case of measles is considered an outbreak and is one of the most contagious diseases.

*Ebola Update*

Gary stated there is an Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, bordering Uganda; currently there are not travel restrictions for the area but anyone traveling should be aware. The department will be reaching out to local infectious disease providers at area hospitals and remind them about the use of personal protective equipment and practices that should be followed.

*Legionella Update*

Gary informed Board members that he is working with the District Attorney's Office to develop a health regulation for Legionella requirements. He reached out to the Utah Department of Health to ensure that a local regulation would not go beyond SLCoHD authority as the state has the oversight for long-term care facilities, which would be impacted by a new health regulation. He will continue to update the Board as this is developed.

**2019 JUNE BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS:**

Zachary Stovall, Fiscal Manager, presented information on the 2019 June budget adjustments that will be presented to the County Council for approval, through a PowerPoint presentation. Slides included:

- 2018 Health Fund Review
- 2019 Health Fund Review
- 2019 June Adjustment Revenue
- 2019 June Adjustment Expenditure
- Other June Adjustments

Dr. Cosgrove stated that the Board Finance Committee met to review all of the adjustments being proposed to the Mayor and County Council and agree with what is proposed. *The motion was made by Mayor Robert Dahle, seconded by Scott Brown, to approve the 2019 budget adjustments.* The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted "Aye."

For more detailed information, please see a hardcopy of the handouts and presentation included in the Board of Health meeting folder.

**FEE SCHEDULE:**

Dorothy Adams, Deputy Director, reviewed the proposed fee changes for several Environmental Health Division programs: Air Quality/Vehicle Emissions Control, Chemically Contaminated Properties, Community Noise Pollution Control, Food Protection, Household Hazardous Waste, Subdivisions, and Temporary Mass Gatherings. Some of the fees have not be reviewed for several years and will take effective in January 2020. The department compared fees with other local health departments and other peer counties in the nation. The department is asking the Board to approve these fee changes and will be forwarding the changes to the County Revenue Committee.

Dr. Cosgrove asked for a motion to approve forwarding the proposed fee changes to the revenue committee. *The motion was made by Dr. Ruedi Tillmann, seconded by Roderic Land, to approve forwarding the proposed fee schedule changes to the revenue committee.* The motion passed

unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted “Aye.” Board member Brooke Hashimoto was not present for the vote.

For more detailed information, please see the proposed fee schedule and supporting documentation included in the Board of Health meeting folder.

**FOOD SERVICE INSPECTION CONCERN:**

Mr. Ed Dieringer, Bennion Learning Center owner, addressed the Board to discuss recent concerns related to violations cited during the most recent food bureau inspection at the Taylorsville center. His concerns relate to the lack of standard operating procedures for common areas of violations and how the department measures certain critical violations. He asked the Board to consider creating measurable regulation provisions that are evidence-based. Dr. Cosgrove thanked Mr. Dieringer for attending and the Board asked that the department to provide an overall food program update at a future meeting to gain better understanding of food service inspections and violations.

For more detailed information, please see the information included in the Board of Health meeting file folder.

**KRESGE FOUNDATON GRANT UPDATE:**

Dorothy Adams, Deputy Director, updated the Board on the Kresge Foundation grant, *Emerging Leaders in Public Health*, through a PowerPoint presentation. Slides included:

- Emerging Leaders in Public Health
- Vision
- What We Have Been Doing
- Keep Moving Forward

Dorothy stated that with this transformative change the department is creating a new Public Health Informatics Bureau that will be looking at a range of Salt Lake County health data, is in the process of training department employees on program delivery as we collectively look at communities, and focus on Midvale and Glendale as pilot areas to determine underlying health disparities and who the department will work with in those areas to assist with shifting to a community-focused health strategy.

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Dr. Cosgrove adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:00 AM.