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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes May 16, 2017

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Call to Order:

The May Board of Directors meeting of the Kansas Association of Local Health Departments was called to order at 10:03 a.m. on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 by Michelle Ponce.

Acknowledgement of Board Members and Attendees Present:

District 6 Representative, Anne Gray
District 6 Alternate, Teresa Starr
Executive Director, Michelle Ponce
Assistant Director, Heather Richardson
Dan Partridge, Member-at-large
Michael McNulty, KDHE
Cristi Cain, KDHE

Online Attendees:

Aften Gardner
Ashley Freeman
Candra Good
Cheryl Goetz
Darcie Van Der Vyver
Diedre Serene
Donna Terry
Gay Hall
James Joerke
Jason Tiller
Karla Heble
LaDonna Reinert
Laura Hageman
Lynnette Redington
Marilyn Gamblin
Melissa Wachendorfer
Paula Rowden

Rhonda Sperber
Shelly Schneider
Sherry Angell
Todd Durham
Tom Langer

Approval of Agenda

Anne moved to approve the agenda, and Dan seconded. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of April Meeting Minutes

Dan moved to approve the April Board of Directors meeting minutes, and Anne seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously. Read the April minutes here: <http://www.kalhd.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/April-Minutes.pdf>

Executive Director's Report

Read the entire report in PDF format at: <http://www.kalhd.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/ED-Report-May-16-2017.pdf>

Financial Report – Michelle

Michelle presented the monthly financial report for April 2017. Dan motioned to approve the report, and it was seconded by Anne. The motion passed unanimously.

Informatics Subcommittee Update – Michelle

The KALHD Informatics Subcommittee has continued work on the following projects. The biggest updates from the last meeting include:

- The subcommittee is still finalizing an informational update for LHDs on how to access and request additional information in regard to STI counts and rates from KDHE by county and region. This should be finalized soon.
- The final report for the January Informatics survey is being drafted and is on target to hit its end-of-June deadline. This report will help inform conversations and activities happening at the KALHD mid-year regarding informatics session.
- Reminder: The KALHD Forum has a section for informatics related discussion. We will continue to remind folks to log in and spend some time reviewing and adding to the discussions.
- Remember to let Michelle and any subcommittee members know if there are questions or concerns with any Public Health information or systems that the subcommittee can discuss and possibly address.

KHI Public Health Exchange Program – Carlie Houchen

The program has been in place since 2014, and there have been seven exchanges with LHDs.

The goals of the exchange program are to

- provide opportunity for professional development,
- provide opportunity for relationship building, and
- identify future collaboration projects.

KHI staff spend 4-5 days with a health department. The scheduling is flexible. If interested, please contact Carlie at 785-233-5443.

PHEP Updates – Michael McNulty

- Budget Period 5 is ending June 30, 2017. KDHE will be compiling the affidavits and may have additional questions regarding expenditures.
- Interviews will be held next week for the Exercise Coordinator position
- July 1 is the new grant project period.
- Ransomware cyber incident—please contact David Marshall at 785-296-5201 if you know anyone who was affected by this incident.

KALHD Midyear Meeting

View the midyear meeting brochure: <http://www.kalhd.org/2017-midyear-meeting/>



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NACCHO PHEP Summit Summary

KALHD was able to provide funding to send two members. One of the attendees, Dana Rickley, sent us a summary. View the summary here: <http://www.kalhd.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Doc-Jun-14-2017-1411.pdf>

Regional Coordinator Meeting/PHEP Update – Tom Langer

View Tom's report here: <http://www.kalhd.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/KALHD-Report-on-PHEP-Progress-for-2018.pdf>

KDHE/CEI/KALHD Medicaid Workgroup

Questions for the group:

1. How could the MCO's work more effectively with Local Health Departments?
2. What do you want to see related to your work with MCO's?
3. If you could make changes to Medicaid as it relates to public health, what changes would you make?

Dan: United HealthCare information has not been shared with us. Michelle will check with them and report back.

Anne: We just never hear from them. Need more open communication.

Donna: I would like to see the billing be standardized between all three MCO's. All three have different billing "rules" to submit a claim for payment. For example, Birth Control - one will want an additional letter or number. Then the next time we will submit the same way and be denied. It is an ongoing game to get claims paid.

Rhonda: Getting claims confused with Medicaid and Home Health because it's the same Tax ID # but different NPI's.

Lynnette: I just completed the survey and had our Medical Biller help. She requests the patient eligibility screen show 'processing' or 'pending' when we put in the request. Then we can mark the patient for follow up.

Teresa: Fill the Medicaid gap.

If you have additional feedback related to this topic or the questions posted, please email Cristi Cain.

Sonja requested feedback on the scheduling of the next session of the local public health leadership program, and the group decided to have Leadership training in the fall.

KDHE Updates – Cristi Cain

1. LHD's may use PHEP funds to attend the KALHD midyear meeting.
2. Governor's Public Health Conference was a success—the biggest yet.
3. KARP Workshop. View the flyer: <http://www.kalhd.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/KARP-WFD-Workshop-Flyer.pdf>
4. A memo will be released by KDHE this week addressing issues surrounding Aid to Local funds placed in county general fund accounts.
5. KDHE Workforce Assessment will roll out this summer.
6. Upcoming regional meetings schedule:
http://www.kdheks.gov/olrh/PH_Connections/2017_PH_RegMtg_Calendar.pdf
7. Population health webinar is May 23.
8. General IT Awareness Training KSTRAIN #1070513
9. Aid to Local Funding - Secretary is reviewing the funding recommendations. Should be finalized shortly.
10. School Inspections will be a topic at KALHD midyear meeting. Cristi will present at the business meeting.



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11. Do you have training needs? Send those requests to Cristi Cain.
12. Rachel Sisson will present at the July meeting to discuss some of her bureau's initiatives.

Member Open Mic

Anne: Is anyone else having to go through their revalidation year for Medicare? If so, have you had acceptance problems?

Rhonda and Ashley: Yes, it would not accept numerous times.

Lynnette: Does anyone do tick removal or have policy and procedures for that?

Tick removal/policy information has been placed on the KALHD forum.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Heather Richardson

