

Executive Director Report June 19, 2019

Organizational Updates

- **Dues Formula Vote**
 - At the last board meeting, the KALHD Governing Board voted to propose to the membership here today a new dues formula. The idea is a single base rate (\$510) for all members, and continuing the \$0.01 per capita rate, but updating it so the formula always uses the latest certified population rather than sticking with the 2010 Census figures.
 - Net impact of the change is a total collection increase, estimated at around \$4,000.
- **Finney County**
 - Finney County has paid its 2019 dues and is a KALHD member.
 - Non-member departments for 2019 are Chautauqua, Cherokee, Hamilton, Labette, Montgomery, and Republic.
- **Bylaws**
 - After the last board meeting I sent out revised bylaws draft changes based off the board's requests. I just wanted to note given nothing is approved from the board to present to the membership yet, I've left those out of this meeting. A discussion is planned for July, and if the board adopts a proposal the plan will be to vote on it at the annual meeting in November.
- **Kansas Health Foundation: Impact & Capacity Grant**
 - I applied for an I&C Grant from the Kansas Health Foundation to fund advocacy work.
 - The nature of the work aligns with what I've been discussing with many of you at the District Meetings. The goal is to get funding to cover staff time related to tracking legislation and creating testimony/letter templates to make the process of participating as easy as possible for LHDs.
 - Last week I was informed that this grant was approved. Total grant is \$25,000 with approximately \$17,500 arriving in 2020 (the rest later this year). As such, this project will now move forward while providing the organization some much-needed financial support to do the work.

Project Updates

- **PHEP**
 - KDHE's PHEP Program request for a sole-source contract was denied by the Department of Administration. As such, they've had to construct the proposal as a bid contract, and KALHD is waiting for that to go through the process and be available for submission. As a reminder, KALHD's current contract was via a bid as well, so this is not atypical.



- KDHE has requested a three-month extension of the existing PHEP contract to prevent a gap in coverage. We've not received word yet on that (it also requires Department of Administration approval).
- **FPHS**
 - On June 11th and 12th I attended an FPHS meeting in Washington D.C. with other states as part of the PHNCI 21C Learning Community (the trip was funded by PHNCI).
 - Kendra Baldrige with KDHE also attended from Kansas.
 - The meeting was helpful for getting familiar with how other states are tackling their FPHS work, and what challenges they've been facing.

Legislative Updates

- Sine Die is over, and thus the session is done. KALHD will prepare for its own legislative committee work later this year to define what we want to focus on in 2020.

Important Dates to Remember

- KALHD Board of Directors Meeting: July 16 (in-person)
- KAC Annual Conference/KALHD Annual Meeting: November 12-14 (Hyatt Regency Hotel & Century II Convention Center, Wichita, KS)
 - **NOTICE:** The KALHD Annual Meeting portion will take place on Thursday, November 14, 2019 starting at 9:30 am.

--Dennis Kriesel, KALHD Executive Director



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