Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2019

Call to Order:
The August Board of Directors meeting of the Kansas Association of Local Health Departments was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 by Jennifer Green. This was a virtual meeting held on Adobe Connect.

Meeting recording:

Acknowledgement of Board Members and Attendees Present
Cristi Cain, KDHE
Crystal VanHoutan
Dan Partridge, Treasurer
Dennis Kriesel, KALHD
Diedre Serene, District 5 Alternate
Emily Strange
Heather Richardson, KALHD
Jason Tiller, President-elect
Jennifer Green, President
Lacey Miller
Lindsay Payer, Past President
Lisa Kenworthy, District 3
Lori Eichman
Lynnette Redington, District 5
Nick Baldetti, Member-at-large
Paula Bitter, District 2
Rayna Maddox, District 4 Alternate
Rhonda Sperber
Rita McKoon, District 6 Alternate
Sara Hodges
Sherry Vierthaler
Tammy Von Busch, District 3 Alternate
Teresa Starr, District 6
Thomas Langer
Ty Kane, CEI

Approval of Agenda
Lindsay motioned to approve the agenda, and Paula seconded. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of July Minutes
Jason moved to approve the July minutes, and Paula seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously. View the July minutes: https://www.kalhd.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/July-2019-Minutes.pdf.

July Financial Report
Dan presented the monthly financial report for July. Lindsay motioned to approve the report, and it was seconded by Jason. The motion passed unanimously.

KDHE Updates (Cristi Cain)
- MAPP training scheduled in Garden City, September 18-19.
- Workforce Development Forum September 23, at Topeka Ramada
- Behavioral Health Community Planning Day September 30 in Topeka
- Kansas at high risk for West Nile Virus
- Regional meeting tours: Hot legislative topics:
  - State formula base amount increase – Cristi will send out a report summarizing the responses, and the KALHD legislative committee will review and make recommendations to KALHD. The KALHD policy statement is finalized in November.
  - Remove school inspections statute – Cristi will send out a report summarizing the responses, and the KALHD legislative committee will review and make recommendations to KALHD. The KALHD policy statement is finalized in November.
Nuisances & Jurisdiction – Cristi asked for KDHE legal opinion on this issue. Cristi will send out the statute, and the opinion from legal. Dennis will disseminate to KALHD members, and ask CCAK and KAC to send to their members.

Question: Is KDHE WIC making a shift to the service delivery model? With the Geary county pilot, there’s growing concern that LHD’s will not longer be seen as ideal WIC providers. Cristi will reach out to WIC program director and ask if he could attend the next KALHD meeting to answer questions.

Question: KanCare move to DCF will negatively impact our clients’ ability to communicate directly with staff. Do you know if letters/information will be sent to LHD's? Cristi will find out and followup

Kansas Public Health Collaborative (Ty Kane, Project Manager with CEI)
The Kansas Public Health Collaborative website will be a 1-stop shop for public health updates and information. Ty gave a brief walk-thru of the new website: https://kphcollaborative.org/. The site is live, but still under construction. The official rollout will be mid-September. Send your feedback to ty.kane@wichita.edu.

Appoint Legislative Committee (Jennifer Green)
Jennifer appointed the following members to the Legislative committee: Past President (Chair), 6 District Representatives (incl. alternates when needed), KAC representative, and a large LHD representative. Jason motioned to approve the appointments, and Lisa seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

KALHD will work with Lindsay to facilitate virtual meetings. Members interested in representing a large LHD should contact Jennifer.

Appoint Governance Committee (Jennifer Green)
KALHD bylaws state that the Governance Committee, consisting of three representatives, shall recommend the name of at least one representative for each elective office and present the slate of candidates to the membership at the annual meeting.

Jennifer appointed the following 3 members to the Governance committee:
- Jason Tiller
- Lindsay Payer
- Dan Partridge

KALHD Bylaws: change review (Dennis Kriesel, Executive Director)

Lindsay motioned to submit this version to a vote at annual meeting. Jason seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of KALHD’s vision statement (Jennifer Green)
KALHD’s current vision statement reads: A system of Local Health Departments committed to helping all Kansans achieve optimal health by providing Foundational Public Health Services.

Relevant chat comments:
Lindsay- Coffey Co: what if we simply focused on modernizing- without specifying which route to take?
Dan Partridge: Even though I had a "passionate" opinion I am not in favor of changing our vision right now but I think we need to talk about the root causes of our differences of opinion
Jason Tiller Saline Co: I think we need to better understand those differences of opinion or misunderstanding regarding FPHS before we discuss changing the vision.
Jason Tiller Saline Co: FPHS covers PH 3.0 and Chief Health Strategist as methods to modernize so I feel we might run into the same issue regardless of the model.
Jason Tiller Saline Co: I guess the main question might be: what are the fears surrounding modernization?
Dan Partridge: I view our conversations as being focused on the what are the FPHS and avoiding the conversation centered on what are the drivers and barriers to change? What are the risks?

Next steps: KALHD will finalize a worksheet for the district reps to send to their district members. KALHD will compile the answers and present findings at the annual meeting in November.
Proposed questions for worksheet:

- What is driving your health department to adopt FPHS?
- What are the barriers to adopting FPHS?
- What’s risky about adopting FPHS?
- What do you most fear FPHS will cause?
- Should KALHD maintain its vision statement (SA, agree, disagree, SD)(these need some wordsmithing)?

Executive Director’s Report


Note:
Audit/Tax Prep (Form 990): Jason motioned to accept SS&C to do the audit and BT&Co to perform tax preparation for year ending December 31, 2019. Lisa seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Heather Richardson