

**KALHD Board Meeting Minutes  
April 1, 2026**

**Board Members**

Krista Schneider, President  
Teresa Fisher, President Elect  
Shalei Shea, Secretary-Treasurer  
Jennifer Cure, Past President  
Angie Kahle, District 1 Representative  
Ray Finley, District 3 Alternate  
Brie Greeson, District 4 Representative  
Denise James, District 4 Alternate  
Lynnette Redington, District 5 Representative  
Debra Anthony, District 6 Representative  
Charlie Hunt, At-Large #1  
Adrienne Byrne, At-Large #2

**Attendees**

Cheryl Skalla	Wanda Agnew	Misty Trudeau
Kendra Walsh	Jennifer Hurst	Aaron Davis
Brenda Pfizenmaier	Lisa Moritz	Amber Kelly
Monica Scudder	Candice Sauers	Natalie Savage
Amanda Kendall	Melissa Miller	
Beth Brown	Lindsey Ensley	

**Staff**

Randy Bowman, Executive Director

**Call to Order**

Krista Schneider, President, called the meeting to order at 3:21 pm.

**Board Roll Call**

Randy Bowman, Executive Director, conducted a roll call of Board members in attendance and confirmed that a quorum was present for conducting business.

**Approval of Agenda**

Krista Schneider asked for a motion to approve the agenda. **Jennifer Cure moved to approve the agenda which was seconded by Adrienne Byrne. The motion was approved.**

### **Approval of Minutes**

Krista Schneider referenced the February 2026 minutes and asked for a motion to approve them. **Brie Greeson motioned to approve the minutes, and Adrienne Byrne seconded the motion. The motion was approved.**

### **Monthly Financial Report**

Shalei Shea, Secretary/Treasurer, presented the financial report for February 2026.

For the month, KALHD realized a net financial gain of \$5,561,60 with \$17,942.97 in total income and \$12,381,37 in total expenses. The ending bank balance was \$500,566.35.

**Ray Finley motioned to approve the report and place it on file. Lynnette Redington seconded the motion which was approved.**

### **PHEP Budget Period 3**

Randy Bowman provided a summary of this annual process and the previous review of the draft document KDHE will share today by the PHEP Advisory Team.

Then Amber Kelly KDHE provided an overview of the new structure of the document compared to prior years and its contents specific to LHD, Regional and CRI tasks. Meeting participants posed a few questions about the document contents and budget cycle for this funding source which follows the state fiscal year.

After the discussion, Randy Bowman summarized the draft concurrence letter that was distributed with the meeting materials. Krista Schneider asked the Board for a motion to approve the letter. **Charlie Hunt moved to approve the concurrence letter which was seconded by Ray Finley. Motion passed.**

### **Legislative Updates**

Randy Bowman provided a brief update. Including, the passage of a budget bill containing proviso language requiring KDHE to follow the CDC immunization schedule, SB522 sought by health freedom advocates does not appear to have advanced, that Kansas became the 49th state to pass expedited partner therapy legislation after many years of trying to do so, and discussed SB254 regarding non-citizen benefits for which Charlie Hunt also shared an update on discussions his team has had on this bill. The legislature is currently adjourned and will return on April 9, 2026, for the Veto Session. After the conclusion of the 2026 session, he will develop a summary of these bills and others that impact more generally on county government, nursing profession, and other areas that may be of interest to LHDs.

### **KDHE Updates**

KDHE staff were not available to provide an update.

### **WSU Updates**

Aaron Davis provided the following updates.

### *Billing Symposium*

He reminded everyone of this event coming up soon on April 28-29, 2026, at the WSU Hughes Metroplex in Wichita.

### *New LHD Staff Orientation*

WSU will be sending links out as a reminder of this training opportunity that is available for new employees of local health departments.

### *Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP)*

He shared that WSU would apply for this funding. The items that will be included will be broadly defined and focus on supporting local health departments. He will provide future updates on this application and next steps if the application is approved by KDHE.

### **KAC Updates**

Karla Nichols was not available to provide an update today.

### **Executive Director Report**

Randy shared some highlights from the written report that is included with the Board materials.

- 93 LHDs have paid their annual KALHD dues and 62 of those chose to continue their NACCHO membership. Payments from others are still expected and will follow up on each after the GPHC.
- After an unanticipated delay, an email was sent to Administrators last Friday opening registration for the 2026 KALHD MYM and Data Day. As of this morning the first 7 people have registered.
- After our February Board meeting, KDHE reached out suggesting a specific project and specific people to contribute to its development and requested KALHD apply for Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP) funding. Due to the amount of potential funding, any decision must be made by the KALHD Board, and given the timeline for application, it was necessary to call a meeting of the KALHD Executive Committee to evaluate this proposal. The Executive Committee met to consider the KDHE proposal and concluded that KALHD would not apply.

Randy also shared that after this decision he attended the meeting for potential applicants. There he learned that this specific funding opportunity would require applicants to assume full responsibility for KDHE's obligations to the federal government under the RHTP as a subrecipient which is not the same as a grant recipient. Becoming a subrecipient is a vastly different scale and if we were to consider this another year, or another project of our own design, we would need to develop new capacities (financial, legal, IT, program oversight, etc.) to support a project.

## **Discussion for Board Members and KALHD Members Only**

*Prior to discussing the next agenda item, Krista thanked our guests for attending and asked them to please leave the meeting. These minutes will only reflect the final actions/decisions from this discussion.*

### ***Open Discussion***

KALHD will invite KDHE to attend a future meeting to present the results of the WIC Funding Formula Workgroup to the Board.

### **Adjournment**

Krista Schneider asked for a motion to adjourn. **Charlie Hunt made that motion, Ray Finley seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 4:24 p.m.**