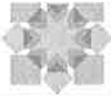




Board of Health Minutes
South Heartland District Health Department
Meeting Location: Hastings NE
November 1, 2017

Topic, Lead Person	Comments/Actions	Roll Call / Vote
	Staff Present: Michele Bever, Denise Ferguson,	
Welcome & Public Comment - Chair	November Board of Health meeting was called to order by President N. Shackelford at 8:30am	
	Open Meeting Statement: Prior to this meeting a notice was posted in the newspapers in Adams, Clay, Nuckolls & Webster Counties, and that each member of the Board received a copy of the proposed agenda. The agenda for this meeting was kept continuously current and was available for public inspection at South Heartland District Health Department, 606 N Minnesota Suite 2, Hastings NE. This meeting is being held in open session. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meeting Law has been posted in this meeting room and is available for public's review.	
	Roll Call: <i>Quorum met</i>	Present: Bohrer, Kuehner, Mead, Meyer, Neumann, Reimer, Salyards, Samuelson, Shackelford, Siemsen. Absent: Blum, Christensen, Hallock, Kleppinger.
	Introductions: None	
	Approve or amend agenda: No Amendments	
	Public Comments: None	
Minutes from Previous Meeting	Motion to approve minutes from September 6 th Board of Health Meeting by P Meyer and seconded by J. Reimer. <i>Motion Passed</i>	Aye: All Nays: None
Community Leader	Introduction of Local Community Leader- Ex Director M. Bever Guest: Senator Steve Halloran, Dist. 33 J. Reimer gave introduction of SHDHD as well as the history of public health and public health funding in Nebraska. She shared a public health fact sheet and 2016 SHDHD Annual Report. She explained that the health department works at the population level and she shared the Board's concern regarding sustainability and threats to health care cash funds. Senator Halloran is a believer of local government. He explained that the upcoming session is a short session and most work will be on bills in que from last session. His Priority Bill is LR 6 regarding Nebraska to participate in a convention of States for the purpose of putting fiscal constraints on the Federal government. Discussion on use of public assistance funds being used for purchase of drugs (the Senator is a supporter of Drug Courts). Discussion of overpopulation of jails related to the start of community-based behavioral health programs. Discussion on plans for Regional Center and potential for expanded drug treatment program for boys.	
Finances	Finances – Exec Director Dr. Bever gave the financial report. Review of revenue and expenses for 1 st qtr. Have billed \$92,146.84 for the month of October. Line of credit has not been used since January 2017. Motion to accept Financial report was made by Meyer and seconded by Samuelson <i>Motion Passed</i> Grants/Funding Status: Status updates were included in executive director's written report. There were no questions.	Aye: All Nays: None
Committee Reports	Policy Committee: Peggy Meyers reported that the Policy Committee reviewed a process for the board to develop position papers on key topics, following the example of a county Board of Health in Iowa (presented at a SALBOH meeting that Exec. Director attended). The plan is to follow this example to implement a process that	



Communications from Board Members	SALBOH Update – J. Reimer reported that the next phone conference is on November 14th. Shackelford - hosted Red Cross blood drive at Sandy Creek School collecting 48 pints.	
Guest: Dr. Tom Williams	Address from Dr. Tom Williams, Nebraska DHHS Director of Public Health and Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Williams gave some background on himself and shared that today is the 1 year anniversary of his start date with DHHS. He shared data and activities related to opioid misuse in Nebraska, including: Opioid Summit last summer (NE is 50 th in the nation regarding opioid epidemic, but he stated that NE wants to get ahead of the problem); PDMP (Prescription Drug Monitoring Program – a patient care tool that involves pharmacy, patient and physician); pain management initiatives in health care; expanded access to Naloxone (to be carried by EMS in some areas). He also shared information and activities related to obesity in NE. SHDHD is implementing many of these obesity initiatives in our district.	
Adjournment	N. Shackelford called an informal adjournment at 10:30 am. Discussion with Dr. Williams continued Next meeting: January 3, 2018 in Nuckolls County	

Respectfully Submitted,

Signature: C. F. Neumann Date: Nov. 29, 2017

Charles Neumann, Secretary/Treasurer
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