



Juneau County Board of Health Minutes

Tuesday, January 31, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.  
 Juneau County Services Building, Room 209

Board Members:											
x	Steve Thomas, Chair	x	Mike Pech, MD Vice Chair	x	Ryan Plamann, MD	x	Kathy Noe, RN	x	Natty Kranz, RN	x	Kim Strompolis
	Richard Kilmer	x	John Ard								

Juneau County Health Department Staff and/or Community Partners:										
x	Tina Burch, Interim Health Officer, PHN Supervisor	x	Tara Ennis, Public Health Supervisor	x	Robyn Voge, WIC Director	x	Cheryl Levendoski, WIC Director	Cassandra Kovach, MD – Medical Advisor	Brenda Totzke, RN	

Topic: BOH

Time: Jan 31, 2023 05:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

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Topic	Lead	Discussion and Action Items
Call to Order*  Determine the meeting has been posted as mandated by Law – agenda posted on January 27, 2022	Steve Thomas, Chair	<i>Approval of December 13, 2022 Minutes*:</i>
Medical Advisor Report	Cassondra Kovach, Medical Advisor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not in attendance</li> </ul>
Infection Control Report	Brenda Totzke, Infection Control Advisor Reported by; Tina Burch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- COVID-19 peaked in the hospital and with employees 2 weeks ago. Cases now declining.</li> <li>- Influenza A is prevalent, No influenza B seen at this time.</li> <li>- Continuing to monitor community &amp; transmission levels for COVID-19</li> </ul>
Preparedness Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PH Emergency Preparedness</li> </ul>	Mary Crowley, Preparedness Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mary presented on the Emergency Preparedness program functions and objectives.</li> </ul>
Health Officer Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Health Officer Interview Process</li> <li>- JCHD Statutory Level</li> <li>- New BOH Community Member</li> </ul>	Tina Burch, Interim Health Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two of seven applicants qualify for a level III health officer. Three candidates will be interviewed on Friday, February 3rd.</li> <li>- JCHD is still operating as a level III health department under Tina’s leadership, while the search for a new level III health officer continues.</li> <li>- Tina informed the BOH members, about a discussion of a potential merger of the health department</li> </ul>



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		<p>with another county department, which occurred earlier this month. No members of the health department or BOH were included in the discussion. As this did not go through the proper county operations, members of the County Executive Board ended any further discussion of this matter. Executive Board members, Tim Cottingham and Howard Fischer, present at the BOH meeting assured that there is no interest in pursuing a merger.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduction of a potential new community Board of Health member, Dan Howard. Dan is the community relations, PR, marketing and foundation manager from the Gundersen St. Joseph Hospital &amp; Clinics. County Board Chairman, Tim Cottingham will officially appoint at next county board meeting in February.</li> </ul>
<p>Public Health Program Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Vaccine Administration Fee*</li> </ul>	<p>Tina Burch, PH Nurse Supervisor</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Purposed raising the vaccine administration fee to \$10 from \$3.00. This rate has not changed in several years. The purposed change would now cover the cost of supplies. Vaccines would not be denied to the uninsured unable to pay.</li> </ul>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Motion to allow the increase by Kim Strompolis, 2nd by Dr. Plamann. Motion passed.</li> </ul>
<p>Community Health Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community Health Improvement Plan/Community Action Teams</li> </ul>	<p>Tara Ennis, Public Health Supervisor</p>	<p>CAT updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community Center meeting had 20 people in attendance from the library, community members, and the children’s museum to share their ideas for what they would like to see in this space.</li> <li>- Uber incentive program passed the county board in DEC. This program incentivizes Uber drivers to earn an additional \$5 for any trips beginning or ending in Juneau County.</li> <li>- The Affordable Housing group is moving forward with the Financial Literacy training.</li> <li>- The Good Jobs, Strong Economy group is continuing to work on a digital job center to offer resume writing assistance, a central location for job postings</li> </ul>
<p>Public Comments</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2 County residents &amp; 1 Juneau County Board member shared their personal comments about the use of COVID-19 vaccines in Juneau County.</li> </ul>
<p>Closed Session Pursuant to 1.85(1)(c) for Staff Evaluations</p>	<p>Board of Health</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Motion by Dr. Pech, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kathy Noe. Motion passed.</li> </ul>
<p>Proposed Agenda Items for March Board of Health Meeting:</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public Comments will be removed from agenda per suggestions of</li> </ul>



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Next Meeting: March 28, 2023 at 5:30 pm		Executive Team member, Howard Fischer.
Adjournment*		Adjourned by Chairman
Signature of Reporter:	Sarah Hewitt	

\*Agenda Items with Required Actions