

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

The Lexington-Fayette County Board of Health convened for a regular meeting Monday, August 8, 2016 at 5:45p.m. at the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department in Conference Room C.

	PRESENT	ABSENT
MEMBERS: Paula Anderson, Chair	X	
Kacy Allen-Bryant, RN, MSN, Vice Chair	X	
James Cecil, DMD, MPH	X	
Chris Ford	X	
Mayor Jim Gray		X
Peggy Henson	X	
Jason Lee	X	
Mamata Majmundar, MD	X	
David Martorano	X	
Jacqueline Matar, MD		X
John Riley, MD	X	
Dianet Valencia	X	

OTHERS

PRESENT: Health Department Staff
LFCHD Council

The meeting was called to order by Board of Health Chair, Paula Anderson at 5:53p.m. A quorum was present.

P. Anderson made a motion to approve the July 11, 2016 Board of Health minutes. The motion was seconded by Dr. Riley. The motion carried.

RECOGNITIONS: P. Anderson

P. Anderson recognized two retiring Board of Health members: Dr. Nat Sandler and Mr. Scott White. She thanked them for their years of exemplary service on the board and presented a plaque to each gentleman as an expression of appreciation. Dr. Sandler and Mr. White graciously accepted.

PRESENTATION: Sandy Canon and Ashton Potter Wright

S. Canon of *Community Ventures* and A. Potter Wright of *Bluegrass Farm to Table* discussed local food in Lexington. The presentation focused on consumption of locally produced foods as an intersection of agriculture and health. The local food movement strives to connect local food producers with local consumers. There are wellness, economic, and environmental benefits to such collaborations. These relationships occur at individual, interpersonal, school, community, and public policy levels.

Community Ventures and *Bluegrass Farm to Table* encourage the board to consider policies that will encourage purchase and consumption of food from local sources. According to the 2015 Fayette County Local Food Demand Assessment, restaurants account for the largest percentage of purchasing from local markets. Restaurants serve these local foods to customers, which is currently the key source for consumers. Steps to encourage growth in the local food movement include growing season extension, education, collaboration between farmers and purchasers, and building infrastructure. S. Canon and A. Potter Wright detailed local, state, and national partners in developing local food programs. P. Anderson stated the board would like to revisit this topic and consider next steps in supporting these efforts.

PRESENTATION: Michelle Donaghy

M. Donaghy presented a summary of the wellness program for the new year and how it may improve employee health and impact health insurance premiums. The biometric data gathered from employees can impact the cost of medical plan premiums. In 2015, approximately one hundred employees completed the biometric screening. Baptist Health will be our wellness partner in 2017. Employees will be asked to complete an online health assessment and to participate in biometric screening. Each employee who does so will receive a report summarizing findings and those at high risk will receive a call from a coach who will offer information on ways to improve results in the area(s) of concern. A high participation rate by employees can result in discounts on the renewal rate as well as lower premiums for employees. The renewal discount is calculated using the number of engaged employees. An engaged employee is defined as one who has completed the online health assessment and the biometric screening.

PRESENTATION: Katrina Howard

K. Howard reported an update on the Quality Improvement (QI) and Quality Assurance (QA) programs at the department. K. Howard shared details of current QI training initiatives and how she is laying a foundation for encouraging a culture of quality. K. Howard stated that Carla Basanta, who had been serving as the QA Committee chair, is retiring. Jeanette Hart will chair the QA Committee after Ms. Basanta's retirement. K. Howard and J. Hart are evaluating the QA program by examining state regulations and quantifying its value to department programs. K. Howard will continue to update the board on the progress of both QI and QA.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Kraig Humbaugh, MD, MPH

Dr. Humbaugh accompanied Amy Sullivan to an inspection of a local tattoo parlor. He shared that the inspection process is detail-oriented and that our inspectors are doing an excellent job. This work is important as it can aid in reduction of the spread of bloodborne pathogens. Dr. Humbaugh stated the department currently has fifteen vacancies, which represents approximately ten percent of our staff complement. Jill Keys, a registered nurse, is our new Communicable Disease and Clinical Services Manager. She recently completed a Master's in Education from the University of Kentucky (UK) and has a passion for immunization. Teresa James is our new Community Health Manager. T. James had previously served as a leader in the Kentucky Department for Community Based Services. Dr. Humbaugh also welcomed Cory Rutledge as our Accounting/Finance Coordinator and Christina Nentwick as Executive Assistant to the Public Health Officer, Roanya Rice. CDC testing has indicated the first travel-related case of the Zika virus in Kentucky. Follow-up, per CDC requirements, will continue. Spraying for mosquitoes continues. Participation in the Needle Exchange Program (NEP) continues to grow. Each month, about one-third of clients served are new to the program.

Dr. Humbaugh stated the department will be partnering with UK to offer naloxone kits. NEP staff and those receiving the kits will receive training on use of the materials. Kevin Hall is requesting an opportunity to discuss potential expansion plans with the city council in September or October. Dr. Humbaugh stated the board retreat is tentatively scheduled for Monday, November 14, 2016. He requested board members hold the date.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Paula Anderson

The committee discussed mosquito control, safety drills, biometric screenings, the needle exchange program, and Board of Health candidates.

NOMINATING/BYLAWS COMMITTEE: Kacy Allen-Bryant, RN, MSN

Dr. Bill Elder and Ms. Sherelle Roberts Pierre have been submitted to the Mayor's office as nominees for the Board of Health

FACILITIES/FINANCE COMMITTEE: Darin Swartz

Darin Swartz stated that the yearly financial audit will occur in August. He stated that we received more KERS assistance than was anticipated and that our balance sheet ending June 2016, showed increases from last year. Cash holdings increased and total liabilities are less than last year. Jason Lee made a motion to approve the tax rate for the new year, which remains unchanged from last year. Dr. Riley seconded the motion. The motion passed.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES/EVALUATION:

No Report

POLICY/PROTOCOL COMMITTEE:

No Report


MARKETING/COMMUNICATION: Kevin Hall

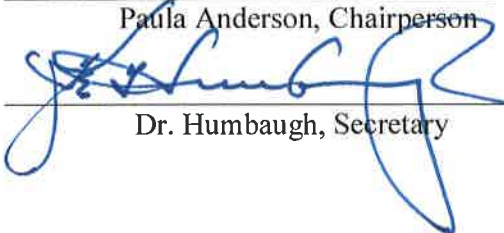
K. Hall stated he was glad to be back from leave and expressed his gratitude to Bailey Preston for the great job she did in his absence.

- In July, we had our first instance of laboratory-confirmed infection with Zika virus in Lexington. An infant was identified in a Fayette County that was born to a woman who had travelled during pregnancy to an area where the virus is circulating. Neither mother nor child is presently capable of spreading the virus to others or to mosquitoes in the area. A press release was sent out to all media outlets notifying them of this case on Friday, July 22. Dr. Humbaugh interviewed with WLEX, WKYT, WTVQ, WHAS radio, WEKU, and the Herald Leader.
- Healthy Times, the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department's new Public Health radio program, continues to air. Healthy Times airs at 10 a.m. every Wednesday on 95.7 FM, with repeats on 93.9 FM at 3 p.m. Friday and 12 p.m. Sunday, 93.9 FM. It can also be streamed online at www.lexingtoncommunityradio.org.

- Our most recent show, on August 3, was with Doraine Bailey, Breastfeeding Support Services, and focused on Kentucky Breastfeeding Month, breastfeeding programs and services, and upcoming breastfeeding events.
- We partnered with Mindful Moms of the Bluegrass and the Global Big Latch On to host a breastfeeding event, where women gathered together to breastfeed and offer peer support to each other. Lexington's Big Latch On took place during World Breastfeeding Week (August 1-7) on Saturday, August 6. Doraine Bailey appeared on the WTVQ noon show on Friday, August 3 to promote the event.
- Needle-exchange in the news:
 - WKYT aired a story with Dr. Humbaugh on July 11 about the needle-exchange, Hepatitis C, and HIV: <http://www.wkyt.com/content/news/ODCP-director-worried-whats-coming-next-in-drug-epidemic-386357631.html>
 - The Herald Leader interviewed Dr. Humbaugh about needle-exchange programs in Kentucky: <http://www.kentucky.com/news/state/article90101047.html>
- Our needle-exchange program had its largest turnout on Friday, July 29. We saw 38 people, received 1,559 used needles and gave out 775 clean needles. In total, we have received 16,843 used needles and given out 17,167 clean needles since starting Sept. 4, 2015.

Ms. Kacy Allen-Bryant made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Peggy Henson. Motion was approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:25p.m.


Paula Anderson, Chairperson


Dr. Humbaugh, Secretary