

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

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

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:50 p.m. A quorum was present.

Dr. Matar motioned to approve the January 11, 2016 Board of Health minutes, seconded by Ms. Henson. Minutes were approved.

INFLUENZA REPORT: Lois Davis and Lois Davis, Preparedness

- ▶ Symptoms:
 - Aches, fever, respiratory congestion, can lead to complications
 - Each year 30,000+ die from flu or its complications
- ▶ Prevention
 - Hand washing
 - Flu shots
 - Cover your cough/sneeze
 - Stay home, if sick
 - Flu vaccine
- ▶ At risk populations: babies under age 6 mos, elderly, immuno-compromised
- ▶ Recommended for all above age 6 months
- ▶ Formulas available:
 - Trivalent
 - Quadrivalent

- High- dose – for age 65 & older
- ▶ How many given in 2015-16?
- ▶ Community clinics: 356
- ▶ Public Health clinic: 194
- ▶ Homebound: 10
- ▶ “FREE FLU” event: 1151
- ▶ VFC program: 355
- ▶ TOTAL = 2066
- ▶ Additional data-2015 Free Flu event:
- ▶ Ethnicity:
 - 22% Hispanic
 - 57% non Hispanic
 - 21% - not indicated
- ▶ Income:
 - 34% was below \$25,000
 - 48% less than \$50,000

32% stated they *would not* have gotten a flu shot if not for the free flu event – that’s 368 people!

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT: Dr. Rice Leach

- There have been several presentations on:
 - Needle exchange
 - Personal views of public health challenges
- General lack of attention by the public health community to
 - Homicide
 - Suicide
 - Mental health
 - Drug abuse
 - Substance abuse
 - Interpersonal violence
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- Personal impression: general lack of contingency planning at the state or local health department level regarding how to deal with fund reductions
- Preparedness—staff table top exercise
- New items:
 - Charlie Lanter’s meeting today: medical respite care for the homeless
 - Lexington Medical Society interest in smoking cessation for patients
 - Needle exchange patients are asking about help getting into treatment (trust and consistency are important elements)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Chair Paula Anderson

Mr. Lee made a motion to proceed to closed session. The purpose of the closed session is to allow free and full discussion of applications, qualifications and information relevant to the Commissioner’s position at the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Health Department. Dr. Riley made a motion to return to open session seconded by Dr. Matar. There were no actions to report from the Executive Session.

NOMINATING/BYLAWS COMMITTEE: Dr. Riley

No Report

FACILITIES/FINANCE COMMITTEE: Darin Swartz

- Brief overview favorable variance, revenues exceeded expenses
- 3.4M cash accounts improved
- Executive leadership is anticipating budget cuts in fiscal year 2017. This will largely be dependent on the government's budget

PROGRAM OUTCOMES/EVALUATION: Ms. Kacy Allen-Bryant, RN, MSN

Met with Katrina Howard, Compliance and Projects Officer and she is waiting to hear back about a grant that was submitted to KDPH.

The ASAP Board gave \$1500 to purchase sharps containers for the Needle Exchange Program.

QI steering committee had their 2nd meeting. The group will identify community based projects. The Needle Exchange Program may be one of the projects chosen. However, since reaccreditation isn't until 2019 this year will be more about identifying rather than executing.

Ms. Allen-Bryant confirmed membership of the Program Outcomes/Evaluations with Dr. Nat Sandler, Peggy Henson, and Dianet Valencia.

POLICY/PROTOCOL COMMITTEE:

No Report

MARKETING/COMMUNICATION: Kevin Hall

- Ms. Elayne Hollinger, Health Educator, received a letter thanking her on developing great partnerships with University of Kentucky's Department of Kinesiology and Health Promotion, helping us build a strong community! "The Lexington-Fayette County Health Department is fortunate to have an employee like Elayne Hollinger as a representative. I am confident that she has made an impact on health education in Fayette County, and in turn, she has had an impact on the health of children." The letter was from Dr. Melody Noland, Professor of Education and Professor of Health Education at the University of Kentucky.
- Officer Purdy with the Kentucky State Police held a safety training for staff. Presentation Topics:
 - De-escalating combative clients (addressing a combative individual, terroristic threat, individual 'under the influence', etc.).
 - Dealing with difficult clients.
 - Dealing with an Active Shooter situation (how to safely shelter when evacuating the building).
- The Employee Association debuted new, healthier vending machine options. Snacks meet our nutritional guidelines created with our CHEE program.

- We saw 13 people, received 199 used needles and gave out 273 clean needles Friday, Feb. 5, at our needle-exchange program. In total, we have received 6,548 used needles and given out 6,674 clean needles since starting Sept. 4! Our program will re-open 1:30-4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12.
- Healthy Times, the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department's new Public Health radio program, debuts at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17, on Lexington Community Radio, 95.7 FM WLXL. Join us as Bailey Preston and I interview Dr. Rice Leach about what he's seen in his public health career and the greatest health threats facing Lexington in the future.

OPEN COMMENT:

Dr. Leach will talk to staff and follow-up with the board regarding a city wide policy that deals with IV drug abuse.



Paula Anderson, Chairperson


for

Rice C. Leach, MD, Secretary