

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

The Lexington-Fayette County Board of Health convened for a regular meeting Monday, July 11, 2016 at 5:45 at the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department in Commissioner’s Conference Room.

	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	
Mamata Majmundar, MD	X	
Djanet Valencia		X

OTHERS PRESENT: Health Department Staff
LFCHD Council

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Allen-Bryant at 6:00 PM. A quorum was not present.

Minutes from the last Board of Health meeting will be considered at the next meeting.

PRESENTATION: Deborah Hensley

Ms. Hensley presented to the Board, on behalf of Lexington Community Radio, CDs for members containing 80 minutes of interviews with Dr. Rice Leach. An informational brochure and drinking mug accompanied the recordings. Ms. Hensley hopes the interviews illustrate Dr. Leach’s life-long commitment to public health, as well as his fine personality. Ms. Allen-Bryant expressed appreciation on behalf of the Board of Health.

PRESENTATION: Katrina Howard

Ms. Howard presented a summary of the progress on the Community Health Assessment, 2016 LEX-CHIP Community Health Survey findings and a preview of the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) action teams. Data gathering and planning portions of the assessment has completed. The final report will be available in a few months. The assessment uses

qualitative and quantitative methodology to gather data that informs our strategic planning and assists in prioritizing the work of the CHIP teams. The assessment is also a requirement of the accreditation process. Seven community meetings and two facilitator trainings as well as fifteen community conversations were held. Ms. Howard presented copies of planning meeting documentation to the Board. Over two hundred and thirty people participated. Participants included the Community Action Council, LGBTQ Community Groups, Hope Center, Nathaniel Mission, Greenhouse 17, Senior Citizen Centers and seven neighborhood associations. Common themes of the conversations included substance abuse and treatment, mental health, transportation, gun violence, and access to resources. More than thirteen hundred individuals completed the survey, surpassing the total participation in the last Community Health Assessment survey. Social media and community partners were key in sharing the survey. Survey revealed the top issues for a healthy Lexington include safe neighborhoods, affordable housing, good jobs and a healthy economy. Top health concerns include alcohol and drug abuse, obesity and lack of physical activity, mental health, and support for providers and caregivers. Positives listed for Fayette County include feeling safe in our neighborhoods, availability of affordable housing, and access to alcohol and drug abuse treatment. Most common risky behaviors listed included alcohol, drug, and prescription drug abuse, driving under the influence, and being overweight. The 2012 CHIP teams (Unemployment, Obesity Action, and Safe Neighborhoods) met in May 2016 to reflect on successes and challenges and to consider future plans for teams. Information from the 2012 CHIP teams as well as from the Community Health Assessment and the many conversations will help inform the scope, format and direction of the new CHIP teams. In the last few weeks, Healthy Lifestyles, Livable LEX-CHIP, and Safe Communities action teams have formed and are working on action plans. Next steps include a formal Community Health Assessment report and Health Improvement Plan. Ms. Allen-Bryant thanked Ms. Howard for her presentation.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Dr. Humbaugh, MD, MPH

Dr. Humbaugh thanked Ms. Howard for her report. He also thanked the staff for welcoming him during his first month. He was able to participate in the most recent All-Staff meeting as well as participating in restaurant inspections. He plans to continue field visits. The Commissioner introduced Laura Foley, who will be serving as his assistant. He recognized Lois Davis, who is retiring at the end of this month. Dr. Humbaugh reported we currently have eleven vacancies and is interested in examining recruitment strategies. He reported that the Safety Committee is revising policies and procedures for events such as fire and tornado emergencies. The Department will participate in a safety drill in August. There has been media interest in TB detection, treatment and prevention plans to which we have responded. He indicated participated in the Lexington Pride Festival and that Ms. Preston would provide further details. Dr. Humbaugh indicated we are seeing a significant number of participants in the needle exchange program on Friday afternoons. There have been three treatment referrals in the last few weeks. We are working with UK Pharmacists to examine the viability of providing naloxone during the program. Dr. Humbaugh mentioned ongoing efforts in Zika virus awareness. We are also beginning to see improvements in the rates for school immunization in Fayette County. Dr. Humbaugh also stated we have vacancies on the Board we are seeking to fill as well as planning for a November Board of Health retreat. Dr. Humbaugh is hoping to arrange an individual

meeting with each Board member over the coming weeks to discuss the direction and vision of the Board. Ms. Allen-Bryant thanked Dr. Humbaugh for his report.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Kacy Allen-Bryant, RN, MSN

- The Committee met and discussed security, TB monitoring, and Board membership.

NOMINATING/BYLAWS COMMITTEE:

No report

FACILITIES/FINANCE COMMITTEE: Jason Lee

Mr. Cornett presented the monthly financial report to the Board. Mr. Cornett reported KERS will continue to be subsidized over the current biennium. He reported we are currently exceeding budget in revenue and underrunning the budget in expenses. Tax revenue is increasing due to local real estate. A \$206 thousand cost settlement was received from tobacco companies. Mr. Cornett presented the balance sheet which reports assets are increasing as of May 31. Mr. Lee reported that HealthFirst Bluegrass has made first payment on their loan from the Department. Ms. Allen-Bryant thanked Mr. Cornett for his report.

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

There was no meeting this past month. A synopsis of department activities was included in the reporting documents presented to the Board. Ms. Allen-Bryant did note we are approaching the September 4th anniversary of the needle exchange program. She is interested in examining the program and considering changes for the coming year. Dr. Humbaugh indicated that a report will be submitted to the City Council that details the successes of the program over the first year and plans for the future of the needle exchange program.

POLICY/PROTOCOL COMMITTEE:

No Report

MARKETING/COMMUNICATION: Bailey Preston

Ms. Preston presented the report due to Kevin Hall being on leave.

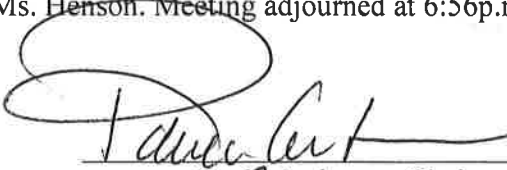
- Jill Keys, a team leader in School Health, joined us on the Healthy Times show on Lexington Community Radio on June 8. Keys informed listeners about the importance of vaccines and how parents can beat the back-to-school rush by taking part in the Public Health Clinic's vaccination schedule. Our most recent Healthy Times show on July 6 with Amy Sullivan, Environmental Health Specialist, focused on summer safety. We provided tips on food and heat safety, as well as information about how we keep community pools safe during the summer.

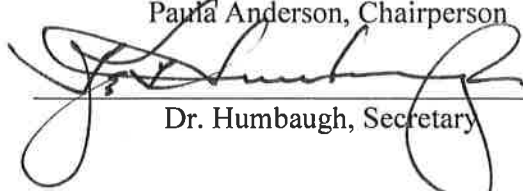
- Staff appeared on WTVQ at noon on June 17 and WKYT on June 20 at 12:30 p.m. to talk about immunizations. We offer low-cost immunizations by appointment 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday and Fridays 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. from June 20 through August 19 at the Public Health Clinic.
- In June, we shared mosquito prevention and spraying information with the media. Since then, we have interviewed with councilmember Shevawn Akers on GTV3, Key Conversations on 107.9 and 91.3, and appeared on WTVQ's Good Day Kentucky. You can view Skip Castleman's interview on the Council Comment here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=929LoIEdvRI>.
- We had interviews with WKYT, the Herald Leader, and WUKY regarding the closing of Red Bang Bang and health inspections. We also responded to the issue via social media.
- Thanks to a partnership with DrugFreeLex, we will be providing special containers to be used in our needle-exchange program. These will allow participants to transport their used needles safely and reduce the risk of unwanted needle sticks. The containers also feature information on community resources.
- On June 25, Lexington held its 9th annual Lexington Pride Festival, hosted by Pride Community Services. The Targeted Prevention team conducted STI/HIV outreach at the event. Our team partnered with AVOL to provide free HIV screenings. Staff distributed approximately 2,500 condoms, disseminated information about our needle-exchange program and other health department services, and provided education regarding safe sex practices.
- We will be partnering with Mindful Moms of the Bluegrass and the Global Big Latch On to host a breastfeeding event. Lexington's Big Latch On will take place during World Breastfeeding Week (August 1-7) on Saturday, August 6 at 9:00 a.m. in Pleasant Ridge Park.

OPEN COMMENT:

Ms. Henson shared concerns about needle safety after finding needles during environmental cleanups along streams and in parks. Discussion included the possibility of offering plastic containers for needles found. Members shared ideas on methods of educating people on how to respond to discovering a used needle. Dr. Humbaugh mentioned that there is online information for people who do volunteer cleanup. Discussion included considering resources for our webpage as well as sharing guidance with neighborhood associations.

Dr. Matar motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Henson. Meeting adjourned at 6:56p.m.


 Paula Anderson, Chairperson


 Dr. Humbaugh, Secretary