

GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

September 2, 2021

The Greene County Board of Health met in regular session on Thursday, September 2, 2021, in Conference Room 124 of the health district office. The meeting convened at approximately 6:31 p.m. In attendance: J. Andrew Root, President; William Beeman, Jane Clifton, Scott Hammond, Kathy Saunders, David Thompson, Nancy Terwoord, Mark Walsh, MD. Excused: William Harden, Angelia Mickle, DNP; and Tamisha Samiec, MD. Employees in attendance: Melissa Howell, Health Commissioner; Noah Stuby, Deputy Health Commissioner, Kevin Sharrett, MD, Medical Director; Bob Brooks, Susan Martin, and Jeff Webb.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA/MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

#21-09-02-02. Dr. Walsh moved to adopt the consent agenda including the minutes of the August 5, 2021, Greene County Board of Health meeting. Ms. Clifton seconded the motion.

The motion carried by acclamation.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Mr. Webb reported that the health district had received no comment on the 2022 Proposed Environmental Health Fees.

The board held the second reading of the fees as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Stuby provided an overview of the financial reports and answered board questions satisfactorily.

Mr. Thompson asked about the expenditure to Simon Kenton Bridges of Hope. Mr. Stuby noted that it is part of the tobacco grant deliverables.

#21-09-02-01. Ms. Terwoord moved approval of the voucher summary, appropriation transfers, then and now requests, fund transfers, and acceptance of the Income and Expenditure report pending the audit. Mr. Thompson seconded the motion.

The motion carried by acclamation.

GOVERNANCE REPORTS

Governance Committee – No Report

Performance and Evaluation Committee – Mr. Root noted that Mr. Harden was requesting a meeting of the Performance Evaluation Committee to review the policies and the medical director contract on 09/27/2021 at 5:30 p.m. Dr. Walsh will be unavailable. Mr. Root will contact Mr. Harden regarding another date.

Planning and Finance Committee – No report.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Health Commissioner Howell provided an overview of the 2022-2024 Strategic Plan.

Dr. Walsh asked for clarification of the vital statistics data integration. Health Commissioner Howell stated that the data referred to is the timely receipt of death data as made necessary by COVID.

#21-09-02-03. Dr. Walsh moved for the approval of the 2022-2024 Strategic Plan. Ms. Terwoord seconded the motion.

The motion carried by acclamation.

Health Commissioner Howell noted that funding available because of COVID will create the need for reorganization of the health district workforce.

Health Commissioner Howell mentioned the need for a new Planning Promotion and Preparedness Director position. Mr. Root asked if they needed to approve the position. The position will be considered next month for review of the position description and organization chart.

Dr. Sharrett reported on the public interest in the Delta Variant, West Nile Virus and Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV).

Ms. Terwoord asked what kind of phone calls the health district is receiving. Mr. Stuby stated that the calls included masking, quarantine, isolation, and vaccine.

Mr. Root asked if there is an increase in the vaccination rates. Health Commissioner Howell stated that there has been a moderate increase in vaccination rates.

Health Commissioner Howell reported on the case counts and deaths related to COVID.

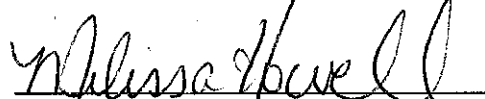
Health Commissioner Howell reported on a pilot program in Warren County to address quarantine and keeping children in school.

Mr. Thompson asked about Greene County hot spots. Health Commissioner Howell stated that the universities and K-12 schools. Dr. Sharrett stated that Cedarville University has been experiencing a high incidence of cases.

The September 2, 2021, Greene County Board of Health meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.



J. Andrew Root, President



Melissa A. Howell, Secretary