

**Sweetwater County District board of Health**

October 30, 2013

Present:

Board Members:

Craig Wolfing, Vice Chairperson

Brianne Crofts

Chuck Sykes

Board of Health Director: Grant Christensen

Board Attorney: Mike Stulken – absent

Commissioner Reid West

Nursing Staff/Environmental Health Staff

Rocket-Miner

Guest – Nell Johnson

Meeting opened by Grant Christensen at 7:15 am.

Meeting minutes cannot be approved, no quorum. They will be approved at the next Board Mtg. There will be no Executive Session with no quorum.

Vouchers cannot be approved, there is no quorum. It was decided that Missy would email or fax a sheet to be signed by 4 Board Members approving the vouchers to be paid and it would re-confirmed at the next Board Mtg.

Dr. Stachon, CHO reported for the month of October.

Reid discussed State funding for Community Nursing. Campbell County, Sweetwater County and Natrona County have no contract with the State and we receive no State funding for paying nurse salaries. He is serving on a sub-committee to give recommendations in regards to changing the legislation. There are 3 options that were given.

1. Clean up existing State Contract language regarding supervision of the County Nurse Manager.
2. County could opt out. All employees would be State employees and the County would pay the state their portion of the funding as they do in South Dakota.
3. Stay as County employees and the State would pay the Counties based on performance.

Grant handed out a spreadsheet with all the contracts the state has with counties listed.

Paul told the Board that there will be a new contract for Waste Water Treatment coming. The Board will need to pass an agreement to sign it at the next Board Mtg.

Paul discussed the ongoing sewer smell problem with a local restaurant. They have been making ongoing temporary repairs but don't have the funds to fix it permanently. He received a letter from the

restaurant's attorney saying that they are attempting to get funding to fix the problem and would like additional time. Paul is going to draft a letter granting that.

Environmental health attended the Annual Environmental Health Conference.

Environmental Health has received plans for 3 Green River High School swimming pools.

Dr. Christensen presented data on the number of home visits Community Nursing does versus other Public Health Offices across the state with the approximate same number of nurses and support staff. Our numbers are much higher. If the state was to give funding based on performance Community Nursing would do very well.

Community Nursing completed training for an electronic health records system that was purchased.

Lisa Sanders gave a report on a Drive-thru Flu Clinic that was held in September. She handed out photos. It was very successful with 118 flu vaccines administered in 2.5 hours. They will be holding one again next year with longer hours.

Reid spoke on the new building. The plans are being approved now. VSO has security issue worries and will no longer be moving into the building. They are going to move into the current space Community Nursing occupies. WIC was going to be moved downstairs into the space VSO was supposed to have but yesterday they emailed Reid and declined space in the building.

The next Board of Health Meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2013.

Respectfully Submitted,

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