

Sweetwater County District Board of Health
February 26, 2014

Present:

Board members:

Mark Sanders Chairperson - Absent
Craig Wolfing, Vice Chairperson
Chuck Sykes
David Okano

Brianne Crofts
Cathie Hughes - Absent
Donald West - Absent

Board of Health Director:

Grant Christensen

Board Attorney:

Mike Stulken - absent

County Health Officer - Absent

Dr. Jean Stachon

Commissioner Reid West

Nursing Staff/Environmental Health Staff

Guest – Nell Johnson

Meeting opened by Craig, Vice Chairperson at 7:15 AM.

Motion to approve agenda was made by Chuck, seconded by Dr. Okano. Motion carried.

Motion to approve January minutes was made Chuck, seconded by Dr. Okano. Motion carried.

Grant explained the By-laws document new officers be elected in February of each New Year. Because Mark and Cathie were not available at the meeting there was a motion made by Chuck, seconded by Dr. Okano to vote on new officers at new DBOH meeting March 2014. Motion carried.

Motion to approve February vouchers was made by Dr. Okano, seconded by Chuck. Motion carried.

Dr. Stachon, CHO was absent. Her report was in the packets mailed out to each board member.

Environmental Health reported for the month of January 2014. Paul added they had a motel in Green River that had mold in the swimming pool area. They had to close the pool down until they fixed the mold issue.

Director reported on the legislative bill F0064. The bill passed the senate without amendment. Hastert and Craft are trying to get bill amended. The way the bill looks right now Sweetwater and Natrona County will receive \$500,000 over a biennium period which would be \$125,000/year per county. All staff will remain County employees as performance will be based on Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the State.

Jean and Grant will have a teleconference with Karen Meyer from State public health sometime next month.

The board asked Grant why our office is not testing for STD's. He explained it is a medical liability with our County Health Officer. There are protocols and liability through Wendy Barun with the State department. He said our county is highest in the State with STD's. As of today, Dr. Stachon is working as CHO without a contract. The board instructed Grant to address the contract with Dr. Stachon and report back to them at the next DBOH meeting.

Grant added that he is in the process of working on the budget and reports it will look the same as last year regardless of where the funding comes from.

Grant reported that our office will have four certified lactation nurses available to any new mother here in the next few months. The nurses are scheduled to go to training for this.

Grant reviewed the new building floor plan with the board members. The County Commissioners is asking the City of Rock Springs to close B Street next to the new building permanently to be able to use that space for future parking. Grant and Dr. Okano will be attending the City Council meeting on March 18, 2014 at 7 PM.

Motion to go into executive session for personnel issues was made by Brianne, seconded by Chuck. Motion carried.

Motion to come out of executive session. Action item – a motion was made by Dr. Okano, seconded by Brianne to take Grant off of probation and make him a full-time employee CEO for the District Board of Health.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Brianne, seconded by Dr. Okano. Motion carried.

Next DBOH meeting will be March 26, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Missy Allen
Administrative Assistant DBOH