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SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

September 20, 2018

MEETING MINUTES

12:00 p.m.

Meeting Held at: Scott County Administrative Center
600 West 4th Street – 1st Floor Board Room
Davenport, Iowa 52801

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Coiner, Chair of the Scott County Board of Health.

Members Present: Mrs. Coiner, Dr. Hanson, Dr. Sandeman

Members Absent: Dr. O'Donnell, Dr. Squire

Staff Present: Amy Thoreson, Denny Coon, Roma Taylor, Tiffany Tjepkes, Teri Arnold, Brooke Barnes, Briana Boswell, Jackie Hall, Karen Payne, Sheri Saskowski, Chris Varnes

Others Present: Diane Marten, Bethany Conklin

Dr. Hanson moved to accept the agenda. Motion seconded by Dr. Sandeman. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hanson moved to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2018 Board Meeting. Motion seconded by Dr. Sandeman. Motion carried unanimously.

The following reports were reviewed and discussed by the Board:

A. Director's Report

Amy Thoreson recognized the following employees for their years of service with the department.

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| • Tara Marriott, Environmental Health Specialist | 5 years | September 17 |
| • Teri Arnold, Administrative Office Assistant | 15 years | September 22 |
| • Roma Taylor, Clinical Services Coordinator | 39 years | September 10 |

Mrs. Thoreson introduced Sheri Saskowski, new Environmental Health Specialist, to the Board members absent at the August meeting.

Mrs. Thoreson noted in order to strengthen communicable disease investigation efforts across the state, the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) is now hosting quarterly Regional Epi Updates. Data from January 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018 showed that Scott County Health Department investigated 29% of the communicable cases that needed investigation in the

Region 5A Public Health Safety Service Area and met all of the performance criteria. Mrs. Thoreson also shared that Dr. Patricia Quinlisk is retiring and Dr. Caitlin Pedati will serve as the State Medical Director and Epidemiologist.

Brooke Barnes shared that the initial Community Health Assessment (CHA) results have been presented to the community. Mrs. Barnes noted they are currently in a two-week comment period that allows members of the public to provide input on the assessment. The comments will be gathered, and incorporated into the final assessment, which will be available at the end of September. The CHA Stakeholder Committee will be meeting to assist in prioritizing the top thirteen areas of opportunities. Mrs. Coiner requested that the Board receive a copy of the CHA Executive Summary once finalized.

Mrs. Coiner commented that she questioned whether the number of individuals surveyed during the phone survey were adequate, although she did understand there was secondary data gathering as well. Staff explained that Professional Research Consultants is used for the CHA phone survey and over sampled in some areas to assure that the results were statistically significant. Mrs. Coiner asked who pays for the CHA phone survey. Tiffany Tjepkes stated that both of the hospital systems share the cost.

Mrs. Thoreson asked Christopher Varnes to explain the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) demonstration. Mr. Varnes shared WIPP representatives delivered two contact-handled waste containers for attendees to inspect. The demonstration gave responders in the area the opportunity to see how radiological waste is transported through the state. Dr. Hanson questioned whether the hazardous material transported is waste generated in Scott County or transported through Scott County. Mr. Varnes responded the material is being transported through Iowa with the end destination of Nevada.

Mrs. Thoreson noted Carole Ferch was asked to present at the Delta Dental of Iowa Foundation board meeting in Des Moines. Mrs. Ferch shared program stories to help address the need to continue funding the I-Smile™ Silver program and to ask the foundation for their financial support. The foundation board voted to continue financial support at this meeting.

Lastly, Mrs. Thoreson shared as part of the Immunization Grant that the department has started an Immunization Coalition. Roma Taylor added the first Immunization Coalition meeting they held had twenty-eight participants with representatives from health care agencies, pharmacies, schools and health systems. The group looked at strengths, barriers and opportunities to immunizations in the County.

- B. Public Health Activity Report for the month of August 2018
- C. Budget Report for the month of August 2018

Following discussion, Dr. Sandeman moved to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Dr. Hanson. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Scott County Kids Report

Diane Martens reported that Social Emotional Screening continues with the schools. Mrs. Martens shared that a meeting between Scott County Kids, Child Care Resource and Referral, the Health Department, and Friendly House to discuss a partnership to support developmental screenings of children in child care was productive.

E. Title V, Local Public Health Services and Tobacco Use Prevention Program Report for the month of August 2018

Tiffany Tjepkes shared that Leah Kroeger, I-Smile™ Coordinator and Maggie Wright, Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Nurse have been providing direct care services at Community Health Care, Inc. at the Edgerton WIC site. The MCAH Program has served a number of children, pregnant and post-partum mothers. Mrs. Wright taught breastfeeding classes to participants at the Scott County Kids Nest program and WIC.

Kim Mills met with the Central High School students who belong to the Iowa Student Tobacco Prevention group to discuss recruiting new members.

Mrs. Coiner shared East Moline Parks is in the process of strengthening its Tobacco Parks Policy and the City of Eldridge is considering a policy as well. Mrs. Coiner will reach out to the City of Davenport's new parks director and refer the director to Ms. Mills.

F. Public Health Preparedness Program Report for the month of August 2018

Denny Coon explained the Iowa Department of Transportation is in the beginning stages of planning several tabletop exercises throughout the year. The exercises will cover roadway safety issues that arise from natural (weather related) disasters, route diversions and traffic incident management. The exercises will aid in building better relationships with the Emergency Management Agencies.

G. Public Health Modernization Report for the month of August 2018

Mrs. Thoreson shared the Council did not meet in July so the minutes included in the Board packet were the May minutes that were approved in September.

H. Health Department Strategic Plan Report for the month of August 2018

Mrs. Thoreson shared the PHAB Accreditation Site Visit took place September 13, 2018 and September 14, 2018. The visit went very well. Staff were well prepared and engaged during the site visit. The Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) accreditation specialist stated that the department should be on the agenda for the November 20, 2018 PHAB Accreditation Committee. Within two weeks of the meeting, the department will be notified whether it has been granted accreditation status or placed on an action plan. If placed on an action plan, the department has one year to complete the work and resubmit evidence to PHAB. Dr. Hanson

commented that other accrediting bodies give institutions more than one year to implement actions plans.

Mrs. Thoreson shared that at the exit interview the site visitors shared their overall impressions of the department, strengths noted during the review, and opportunities for improvement. Overall, the site visitors commented on the use of community partners to deliver services while maintaining oversight of the work; a strong level of staff engagement and teamwork; and the asset that both the community and the department have by the level of experience within the department. The strengths were related to partnerships and collaboration, the governing entity, and the department's efforts surround quality improvement and performance management. The areas of opportunity identified were in leveraging data for public health surveillance, time to implement and monitor new items, and increasing efforts around health disparities. Additional feedback will be received in the final report expected in late October or early November.

I. Board of Health Program Orientation

Bethany Conklin, Region 5A Planner explained Region 5A is a network of health care organizations and partners that are committed to strengthening the health care system for emergencies. Ultimately, the coalition aims to develop capabilities and strategies that help with emergency prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery activities. Ms. Conklin shared the service area's mission is "Service Area 5A Healthcare Coalition is dedicated to augmenting community resilience through synchronized and affective emergency preparedness activities." The organization aims to further enhance and strengthen the readiness of public health and the healthcare delivery system to save lives during emergencies that exceed the day-to-day capacity and capability of the service area.

Ms. Conklin gave a synopsis of the first year of Region 5A activities, challenges and lessons learned. Many of the challenges involved bringing EMS agencies into the planning process. Other challenges were establishing financial operations. By the end of the first year, many of the issues were resolved. Ms. Conklin added that developing a communications platform for Region 5A is a major endeavor underway.

Dr. O'Donnell moved to approve the reports. Motion seconded by Dr. Squire. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Coiner moved to Public Comment

There was no comment.

Mrs. Coiner moved to Unfinished Business

Mrs. Thoreson stated they are currently waiting on additional information on the Humane Society – Update on Policy/Procedures Revision and Review.

Mrs. Coiner moved to New Business

Mrs. Thoreson reviewed the Fiscal Year 2018 – Year End Performance Measures/Budgeting for Outcomes (BFOs). Mrs. Thoreson noted:

- A slight increase in childhood lead poisoning numbers compared to the prior three years.
- The total number of communicable diseases reported was down, but the number that required investigation was higher compared to last year, but below previous years.
- Child Health staff rely on telephones to reach families for inform completion; a recent change at the state level will make cell phone numbers accessible to staff.
- The number of food inspections completed was over 100 percent; the number is difficult to estimate. Critical violation reinspection percentages were lower than projected due to some not being handled during a staff absence.
- *hawk-i* contacts exceeded expectations; staff are taking an expanded and collaborative approach to outreach.
- Scott County has low number of dental providers accepting new Medicaid patients; the I-Smile™ oral health workgroup hopes to address this issue.
- The Water Well Program quality improvement activity's implementation was delayed. Staff hope to see improvements in fiscal year 19.

Following discussion, Dr. Hanson moved to approve and authorize the signature of the Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) Administered Retail Program Standards Grant Program application, contract, and any subsequent amendments. Motion seconded by Dr. Sandeman. Motion carried unanimously.

Following discussion, Dr. Sandeman moved to approve and authorize the signature of the Integrated HIV and Viral Hepatitis Counseling, Testing, and Referral (CTR) Services application, contract, and any subsequent amendments. Motion seconded by Dr. Hanson. Motion carried unanimously.

Following discussion, Dr. Hanson moved to approve and authorize the signature of the I-Smile™ Silver application, contract, subcontract, and any subsequent amendments. Motion seconded by Dr. Sandeman. Motion carried unanimously.

Following discussion, Dr. Sandeman moved to approve and authorize the signature of the Scott County Kids Flexible Funding Agreement. Motion seconded by Dr. Hanson. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting will be held on October 18, 2018 in Conference Room 638.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Schwarz
Recording Secretary