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SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

March 30, 2023

MEETING MINUTES

12:00 p.m.

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

Dr. Hanson, Chair of the Scott County Board of Health, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Members Present: Dr. Hanson, Dr. Franzman, Mr. Robinson, Dr. Schermer,
Dr. O'Donnell (12:04 arrival)

Staff Present: Amy Thoreson, Brooke Barnes, Andrew Swartz, Mariah Bryner, Anna Copp,
Carole Ferch, Amy Haut, Jodi Jorgensen, Erica Lopez, Krishna Marmé, Christina
McDonough, Lashon Moore, Jordan Pape, Brittany Sandlin, Brenda Schwarz

Others Present: David Farmer, Linda Frederiksen, Jason Fuller, Jason Otten, Mahesh Sharma,
Shannon Strombeck, Vanessa Wierman

Dr. Hanson made a request to amend the order of business on the agenda.

Dr. Hanson called for a motion to accept the amended agenda. Dr. Franzman moved to accept the amended agenda. Motion seconded by Dr. Schermer. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hanson called for a motion to accept the minutes. Dr. Franzman moved to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2023 Board Meeting. Motion seconded by Dr. Schermer. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hanson moved to New Business

Following discussion, Mr. Robinson moved to approve and authorize the signature of the grant items listed below. Motion seconded by Dr. Schermer. Motion carried.

- Public Health Emergency Response contract, subcontract, and any subsequent amendments
- Scott County Kids Early Childhood Iowa grant application, contract, and any subsequent amendments
- Early Childhood Iowa Clinton/Jackson Counties grant application, contract, and any subsequent amendments
- Early Childhood Iowa Cedar/Jones Counties grant application, contract, and any subsequent amendments

- Immunization Services grant application, contract, subcontract, and any subsequent amendments
- Community Partnerships for Tobacco Use Prevention and Control grant application, contract, and any subsequent amendments
- Maternal Health grant application, contract, and any subsequent amendments

Following discussion, Dr. Schermer moved to approve and authorize the signature of the agreements listed below. Motion seconded by Dr. Franzman. Motion carried.

- FY24 HIV and Hepatitis C Testing and Prevention Agreement with Medicine in the Barbershop
- FY24 HIV and Hepatitis C Testing and Prevention Agreement with Walgreens 11079

Following discussion, Dr. O'Donnell moved to approve and authorize the Staff Education Requests. Motion seconded by Mr. Robinson. 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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| • Denise Gebel, Per Diem Nurse | 1 year | March 30 th |
| • Lori Steiner, Clinical Services Manager | 2 years | March 29 th |
| • Lorna Bimm, Public Health Nurse | 15 years | March 24 th |
| • Brandon George, Correctional Health Nurse | 16 years | March 9 th |
| • Sherry Holzhauser, Correctional Health Nurse | 18 years | March 7 th |

Mrs. Thoreson shared new employee, Amy Haut, has been hired as a Public Health Nurse. Ms. Haut joined the department on February 27th.

Mrs. Thoreson shared new employee, Ann Carmody, has been hired as a Per Diem Dental Hygienist. Ms. Carmody joined the department on March 3rd.

Mrs. Thoreson shared new employee, Mindy McLaughlin, has been hired as a Per Diem Dental Hygienist. Ms. McLaughlin joined the department on March 10th.

Mrs. Thoreson acknowledged the position change of Brittany Sandlin from an Office Assistant to Senior Office Assistant, effective March 6th.

Mrs. Thoreson noted Tara Marriott, Environmental Health Specialist, was recognized as part of a group of individuals that received the Outstanding Mid-Continental Association of Food and Drug Officials (MCAFD) Award. The team of fourteen Iowa individuals received the award for their 2022 response in the investigation of Salmonella Typhimurium linked to melons. Mrs. Marriott was instrumental in navigating the response at the local Farmer's Market.

Mrs. Thoreson shared that the Iowa Senate passed a bill that would legalize the limited sale of raw milk and raw milk products in the state. The bill has now been moved to the House for further consideration. The Board of Health (BOH) Position Statement on the Sale of Raw Milk to the Public has been provided to local representatives.

- A. Dr. Hanson moved to the Public Health Activity Report for the month of February 2023.
- B. Dr. Hanson moved to the Budget Report for the month of February 2023.

Following discussion, Dr. O'Donnell moved to approve the claims. Motion seconded by Dr. Franzman. Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Dr. Hanson moved to the Board of Health Orientation – EMS Transition Report, Public Consulting Group (PCG): Jason Fuller

Mr. Jason Fuller reported that PCG has a contract with Scott County to conduct a two-phase EMS transition study on the potential transition of MEDIC EMS to a department of Scott County government. Mr. Fuller provided an overview of the findings of the first phase of the study which included a call volume and response time assessment, organizational overview, initial exploration of the potential impacts to 9-1-1 dispatching for emergency services throughout the county, and transition timeline.

Mr. Fuller shared the second phase of the study will include additional stakeholder engagement, including with current employees; continued conversations around SECC and MED-COM; and a deeper financial and comparative analysis. The final report of the transition study will be provided during the summer of 2023.

Mrs. Thoreson added the internal workgroup formed by Scott County Administration, PCG consultants, and MEDIC EMS continue to meet weekly. The Board of Supervisors (BOS) have contracted with third-party legal counsel with expertise in mergers and acquisitions. The BOS also contracted with a search firm to recruit a director should the BOS vote to transition MEDIC EMS to a department of Scott County.

Dr. Hanson called for a motion to accept the reports.

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

Dr. Hanson moved to Public Comment.

There were no comments.

Dr. Hanson moved to Unfinished Business.

- A. FY24 Scott County Health Department Budget

Mrs. Thoreson reported the FY23 Scott County Budget Amendment was approved by the BOS at their March 16th meeting.

Mrs. Thoreson explained the recent bill that modifies the calculation of assessment limitations for residential property by excluding multi-residential property from the calculation of the assessment limitation for residential property, retroactive for assessment years beginning on or

after January 1, 2022 has impacted the FY24 County budget. The BOS has asked staff across all departments and service areas to evaluate and identify reductions in their FY24 expenditures or new revenues to fill the budget gap. Mrs. Thoreson reviewed the identified FY24 department budget adjustments.

Following discussion, Dr. O'Donnell moved to approve the FY24 Scott County Health Department Budget Adjustments. Motion seconded by Dr. Schermer. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Legislative Priorities

Following discussion, Dr. O'Donnell moved to approve the Position Statement on School and Child Care Vaccination Requirements as presented. Motion seconded by Dr. Franzman. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on April 20, 2023, in the Boardroom on the 1st floor. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Schwarz
Recording Secretary