

BOARD OF HEALTH

October 26, 2010

5:30pm

PRESENT: Margaret Ruf; Grant Loy; Vern Lewison; Dwight Nelson;
Mary Kay Logemann, RN, BSN;
Jeffery A. Kindrai, RS, MSPH; Mary Rasmussen, RN, BSN

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 5:30pm by Margaret Ruf, Chair.

CHANGES IN AGENDA: Vern Lewison made a motion to approve the agenda as printed, second by Grant Loy. Carried.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: Dwight Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2010 Board of Health Meeting, second by Vern Lewison. Carried.

VOUCHERS: Mary Kay Logemann made a motion to approve the vouchers from August and September, second by Grant Loy. Carried.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT: Vern Lewison made a motion to approve the August and September Monthly Financial Report, second by Dwight Nelson. Carried.

LOAN CLOSET FINANCIAL REPORT: Dwight Nelson made a motion to approve the August and September Loan Closet Financial Reports, second by Mary Kay Logemann. Carried.

SEMINAR AND TRAINING UPDATE: Mary Kay Logemann made a motion to approve the August and September Seminar and Training Update, second by Margaret Ruf. Carried.

GRANT APPLICATIONS: No Grant applications at this time.

POLICY UPDATE: The Executive Committee voted to change the Third-hand Smoke policy and union grievance has been withdrawn.

HEALTH CENTER: Opening a Grant County federally qualified health center (FQHC) with several possible access points is being explored. The clinic would likely be a satellite clinic of an existing FQHC perhaps the one in Beloit, WI. To open a federally qualified health center you must provide access to health, dental care and mental health services. We have provided data to support the grant application.

2020 STATE HEALTH PLAN: The new State Health Plan "Healthiest Wisconsin 2020" is available. Key points in the plan were discussed. The plan outlines strategies to facilitate moving the state forward to being healthier with goals to improve health across each individual's life span and reduce disparities. Many of our programs have ties to the State plan's key objectives.

CLOSED SESSION UNDER STATUTE 19.85(1)(C) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PERSONNEL MATTERS: No closed session needed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Jeffery A. Kindrai, RS, MSPH

-LTE nurse has resigned. She has been with the Department for about 2 years. Department will continue to assess need for an LTE RN and re-fill the position if it is needed.

-The new WIC staff members started on Monday, October 25, 2010.

-The Strategic Planning Committee (a.k.a. the Grant County Administrative Committee) is looking at the possibility of combining departments to form a Health and Human Services Department (Health, ADRC, Social Services, and Unified). The new department would need to be co-located to have the potential to result in a cost savings to the County. The committee is exploring how this may be accomplished.

If the Administration Building will be used to house the new department there will be several challenges. The first challenge is ensuring adequate parking for clients and staff. The next step would be examining if there is enough space in the building for the additional staff and storage. The County would then need to do a feasibility study, develop a plan, hold public hearings, and seek State approval. A follow up meeting is scheduled for November 8th to discuss parking.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Mary J Rasmussen, RN, BSN

-Our Hospice program was surveyed. The survey went well and no patient care issues were identified.

-We are examining immunization rates for 2 year olds in Grant County. The Department will be working with the State and looking at setting up an immunization coalition to look into increasing rates of up to date immunizations.

ADJOURN: Dwight Nelson made a motion to adjourn at 6:45pm, second by Mary Kay Logemann. Carried.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 30th at 5:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH



Dwight Nelson, Secretary