

Health Board Meeting  
Wednesday, October 21, 2009  
Nobles County Government Center  
Worthington, MN 56187

The following Health Board Members were present: Karen Pfeifer, Dorothy Dorn, David Benson, Richard Bakken, Lyla Hieronimus, Norm Gallagher and Bob Jarchow.

Others present: Brad Meyer, Barb Bents and Julie Buntjer (Daily Globe).

Chair Karen Pfeifer called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

On a motion by David Benson and seconded by Lyla Hieronimus, it was duly passed to approve the agenda.

Kristin Thier was introduced as the new Community Health Organizer. She will be working with Paula Anderson on the Clear Way and SHIP grants.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the Health Board meeting that was held on September 16, 2009. Dorothy Dorn moved to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded by Norm Gallagher. Motion carried.

The October bills were presented to the board for payment. The total of the bills presented was \$36,250.52. Bob Jarchow moved to allow the bills. Motion seconded by David Benson. Bills allowed.

Financial information for September was reviewed. Balance as of 9/30/09 was \$533,598.00 which includes \$113,980.85 for the ClearWay and SHIP grants.

**Old Business:**

Brad Meyer gave an update on his activities for the past month.

Barb Bents gave an update on team activities.

Brad updated the Board on the priorities that were identified at the retreat that was held in January.

Agency staff continue to give presentations on H1N1 to many different community organizations.

The Health Board annual meeting will be held on November 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm-7:30pm at the Rock County Veterans Memorial Building. The meal will be served from 5:30pm-6:15pm with staff recognition immediately following the meal. The board meeting will begin at 6:30pm.

**New Business:**

The grant agreement related to Childhood Immunizations with the Minnesota Department of Health was reviewed. This grant agreement includes Perinatal Hepatitis B follow-up and Immunization Practices Improvement. Motion made by Lyla Hieronimus to approve the grant agreement. Motion seconded by David Benson. Motion carried

The Public Health Response Grant (PHER I-II) with the Minnesota Department of Health was reviewed. A motion was made by Norm Gallagher and seconded by Bob Jarchow to approve the grant agreement. Motion carried.

Interpreter contracts with Rogelio Chavez-Ambriz, Carlos Ambriz Jr, Eh Dah Loo and Nay Blu were reviewed. A motion was made by Richard Bakken and seconded by Norm Gallagher to approve the contracts at a rate of \$20/hour. Motion carried.

The next Health Board meeting will be held in conjunction with the annual meeting on November 18th from 5:30-7:30 in Luverne.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barb Bents