

**BOARD OF HEALTH COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
May 11, 2021**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Tom Kelly, Vice Chair Steven Schreier, Dr. Amy Slette, Ryan Zietlow, Billy Fried, Ann Ovsak

COMMITTEE MEMBERS EXCUSED: Mike Roach

STAFF PRESENT: Linda Conlon, Marta McMillion and Joneil Tess

OTHERS PRESENT: Dorothy Skye

Call to order: Chairman Kelly called the meeting to order at 9:03am on the first floor of the Health & ADRC Building, 100 W. Keenan Street, Rhinelander, WI. The meeting was posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and the facility is handicap accessible.

Minutes of April 13, 2021: Motion by Schreier/Fried to approve the April 13, 2021, Board of Health Committee minutes. All ayes; motion carried.

Approval of agenda: Motion by Schreier/Fried to approve today's agenda with the order of items at the Chair's discretion with changes identified. All ayes; motion carried.

Public Comment/Communications: Schreier read a postcard he received from an individual thanking public health for all they have done.

Review Citizen Position Opening(s):

Nurse member position - Conlon stated Ann Ovsak is moving which leaves a vacant nurse position on the Board of Health. Conlon mentioned the replacement needs to be a registered nurse and the health department will advertise to recruit for the vacant position. Applications for the position are due June 5, 2020 and will be entered in a matrix to present to the Board of Health (BOH) for the next meeting in June.

- **MD member position** – Conlon said the Board of Health (BOH) guidelines for citizen members are for 3 terms of 3 years each and BOH terms are not in county statute. Discussion followed regarding the term limit for the MD position. Schreier/Kelly made a motion due to COVID-19 to maintain the MD position for another 3-year term. All ayes; motion carried.

Monthly Updates:

Communicable Diseases (4/1/21-4/30/21):
 Conlon reviewed and discussion followed.

Disease	Closed	Closed and Confirmed/Probable
Brucellosis	1	0
Campylobacteriosis	2	1
Chlamydia Trachomatis Infection	7	7
Coronavirus, Novel 2019 (COVID-19)	1850	297
Cryptosporidiosis	1	1
Giardiasis	5	5
Gonorrhea	4	0
Hepatitis C	1	1
Hepatitis C, Chronic	5	1
Lyme Disease (B.Burgdorferi)	1	1
Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C)	1	1
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	7	0
Streptococcus Pneumonia, Invasive Disease	1	1
Syphilis Reactor	2	0
Toxoplasmosis	2	0
Yersiniosis	1	0

Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Data / Vaccine: McMillion reviewed the COVID-19 data dashboard. McMillion stated the burden is getting close to moving down from high to moderately high and Oneida County is starting to see zero new cases some days. Starting next week, May 16, individuals ages 12-15 will be eligible for the Pfizer vaccine. The health department will be working with providers and pharmacies to assure vaccination access for this age group.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) - Schools: Conlon said there is not much left of the school year and the health department encouraged schools to continue doing what they have been this school year. Conlon said it is time to reexamine what type of changes we should make in the fall regarding COVID in schools.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Community Testing: COVID-19 testing will end on May 25 with the National Guard.

Outreach/Communication Report (4/10/21-5/7/21):
 McMillion shared the outreach report and discussion followed.

Facebook	101
Press Release	5
Presentation	
Board of Health	
Interview	3
Health Fair	
School	
Lobby Slides	
Mailings	
Phone Outreach	
Newsletter	
Total	109

Facebook Reporting (4/10/21-5/7/21):
 McMillion shared Facebook report and discussion followed.

Posts	101
Total Reach	144,394
Average Reach per Post	1,430
Total Engagement (Likes, shares, comments)	5,153
Average Engagement per post	51
Boosts during timeframe	3
Post with largest reach	OCHD collaborating with Ascension & Marshfield Clinic to offer a Moderna vaccine clinic in Minocqua on Saturday, April 24, 2021; reach 8,226
Post with most engagement	OCHD collaborating with Ascension & Marshfield Clinic to offer a Moderna vaccine clinic in Minocqua on Saturday, April 24, 2021; engagement 374
New Page Likes	13

Total Page Likes	3,882
New Page Followers	9
Total Page Followers	4,892

Vouchers, purchase orders and line item transfers: Conlon discussed the purchase orders, vouchers and line item transfers in detail. Motion by Fried/Schreier to accept the purchase orders, vouchers and line item transfers as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

Agenda items for next meeting:

- June 8, 2021 at 9:00am
- Review BOH applications for nurse position.

Public comment/communications: Skye said she would like to reiterate the efforts public health has done regarding vaccination efforts.



Committee Chairman or Designee

Joneil Tess

Committee Secretary