



Board of Health

Study Session

April 26, 2006

The Board of Health of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District held a study session on Wednesday, April 26, 2006, at the district's satellite office at 815 North Randolph Street, Champaign. Ms. Carol Elliott, Chair, called the session to order at 9:32 a.m. Upon roll call the following board members were found to be present: Ms. Carol Elliott and Ms. Barbara Wysocki. Ms. Linda Abernathy joined the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

Public Participation – none present.

Mr. Palazzolo asked to add additional agenda items and move the town hall committee update up on the agenda.

Ms. Susan Maurer, Champaign County Board of Health, asked the CU Board members to attend a joint Board member training on June 24 and a study session following. Mr. Palazzolo suggested that the CU Board have at least two members attend the study session portion or rescheduled for a time and date that would allow at least two to attend. Ms. Abernathy suggested that Mr. Grosser attend the study session as well.

Town Hall meetings – Ms. Susan Maurer commented that the County Board of Health voted to remove an informational sheet created by Champaign County Health Care Consumers (CCHCC) from the packets being distributed at the meetings. The County Board would like the CU Board of Health to consider removing this sheet as well. She stated that the history given on this sheet is accurate but the timeline information given has caused negative responses. The document will be removed from future town hall meeting packets but may be given out by CCHCC.

Christian Health Center – A proposal was given to the Board that would allow Christian Health Center to use space at Champaign-Urbana Public Health District thus allowing them to expand their services. Some discussion was had pertaining to the Christian aspect being utilized in a Public Health setting. Directive was given to Mr. Palazzolo to look into this option further.

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Dental Program Changes – Mr. Palazzolo conveyed that the school based dental clinic will be going to full-time, five days a week and will have one day a week for adults. This clinic will see Urbana residents only. The Neil St. CUPHD location will serve Champaign residents and will begin seeing adults two days per week. Mr. Larry Rogers will become the Dental Director and some other staff changes will be coming to help distribute the workload. The hope is to implement these changes for June 1, 2006.

Salary Range Process – It was unclear as to how the salary range process is maintained. It was conveyed that the Board approves the amount of the percentage given each year. Administration approves how the percentage is implemented to staff. It was also noted that the minimum salary range must comply with the living wage.

HR Director – Ms. Sherry McNattin has been hired as the new HR Director. She will begin with CUPHD on May 16, 2006.

Costs Incurred by 815 Expansion – A statement for costs incurred by Mr. Pope was submitted for review. Some items were questioned. The board requested copies of old minutes so that they may review what directives were given and to what extent they were given to Mr. Pope.

The next Town Hall meeting is April 27th. Rantoul had a small turnout but interested participants.

Correspondence – Mr. Palazzolo updated the Board on the pending contract changes from the Champaign County Board of Health. Mr. Grosser commented that he feels that the County's consultant report has inaccuracies but that the drafted contract changes are a good effort. Most of the changes are operational. Mr. Palazzolo and Mr. Grosser will review any changes and update the board as the need arises.

Ms. Wysocki moved for a closed session to consider the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the Champaign-Urbana public Health District pursuant to Section 2 (c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 5, Illinois Compiled Statutes, Paragraph 120/2 (c)(5). Ms. Abernathy seconded the move. A roll call was taken and all board members were in favor of a closed session. The board went into closed session at 11:27 a.m. Also present during the closed session were Mr. Vito Palazzolo, Mr. Fred Grosser and Ms. Staci Bossert.

Ms. Elliott declared the session open at 11:55 a.m. Present at this time were board members Barbara Wysocki and Linda Abernathy along with Vito Palazzolo, Fred Grosser and Staci Bossert.

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With no further business to be discussed, Ms. Elliott adjourned the meeting at 11:58 p.m.

Chair

Secretary