



Board of Health

Study Session

February 22, 2006

The Board of Health of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District held a study session on Wednesday, February 22, 2006, at the district's satellite office at 815 North Randolph Street, Champaign. Ms. Carol Elliott, Chair, called the session to order at 9:33 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 9:36 a.m.

Public Participation – none present.

Under New Business, a drafted policy and procedure cover sheet was given to the board for their review. It was asked that they review for any changes and this item will be placed on the next board meeting agenda for approval.

Policy approval by the board was then discussed. Mr. Palazzolo wanted clarification from the board on how they would like to be given and then approve new policies. It was decided that policies will be given for review at Study Sessions and, if appropriate, placed on the next monthly meeting agenda for approval.

Legal Counsel Report will be given during the closed session.

Mr. Palazzolo gave an update regarding the town hall meetings. A committee has been developed and has met. It was decided that Public Health would host four town hall meetings, one in Champaign, one in Urbana, one in Rantoul and one at the south end of town. These meetings will begin in April. Ms. Abernathy suggested that there be a person present to collect names and phone numbers of citizens that have questions that cannot be responded to at these meetings, thus allowing someone to contact them regarding their comments.

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Space Options was next on the agenda. Mr. Palazzolo asked the board to allow him more time to review other options. He also asked for a clearer directive from the board with regards to lease lengths verses other buildings. He conveyed that with regards to the Randolph location, Public Health might stay as they are and renew for two years or sign a 5, 7 or 10-year lease with varied rates dependent on the length chosen. The leases are coming due for both the Randolph and the Broadway locations. Mr. Palazzolo suggests that Public Health renew a two-year lease at Randolph. Broadway has one year left on its lease and Mr. Palazzolo would like to find one building that would accommodate both the Broadway & Randolph locations, as well as, some of the Administration staff from Neil St. This would give the District two main locations until a decision for a permanent building has been made. Questions were raised regarding the opening of the methadone clinic. Mr. Grosser relayed that the Medical Director for this clinic will be Dr. John Peterson. Mr. Palazzolo will check with accounting to see if the agency incurs any fees regarding this clinic. Mr. Palazzolo will send a letter to Mr. Pope, Randolph building owner, by the end of business on February 28, 2006 with regards to the lease. This subject will be placed on the next monthly meeting agenda allowing the board to ratify the lease. Mrs. Pope asked about being reimbursed for expenses already incurred by them for the expansion at Randolph, which has now been cancelled. They will direct these expenses to Mr. Palazzolo and he will in turn relay the costs to the board.

Ms. Wysocki moved for a closed session to consider the employment of specific employees pursuant to section 2©(1) of the open meetings act, chapter 5, Illinois Compiled Statues, paragraph 120/2©(1). 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 11:03 a.m. Also present during the closed session were Mr. Vito Palazzolo and Mr. Fred Grosser.

Ms. Elliott declared the session open at 12:59 p.m. Present at this time were board members Barbara Wysocki and Linda Abernathy along with Vito Palazzolo, Fred Grosser and Staci Bossert.

With no further business to be discussed, Ms. Elliott adjourned the meeting at 12:59 p.m.

Chair

Secretary