



Board of Health

Monthly Meeting

March 13, 2006

On March 13, 2006, the Board of Health of the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District held a monthly meeting at the district satellite office at 815 North Randolph Street, Champaign. Ms. Carol Elliott, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Upon roll call, the following board members were found to be present: Ms. Carol Elliott, Chair; Ms. Barbara Wysocki, Secretary; and Ms. Linda Abernathy.

Public Participation – none.

The first agenda item was the approval of minutes from the February 6th Monthly Meeting and the February 22nd Study Session. Ms. Abernathy made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Wysocki seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Ms. Shelley Scott presented the Treasurer's Report. Ms. Scott stated that the accounting department is getting caught up on their backlog of work. They are posting March's business in March. Expenditures currently are less than expected. CUPHD is expected to come in under budget. It is also expected that the agency will be online with new software as of April 1 for payroll and grants. Ms. Abernathy made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and place it on file. Ms. Wysocki seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

The CUPHD Employee survey results were presented to the Board. The ACME Committee is moving forward to address the issues.

The Board was asked to review NACCHO and APHA membership information and to respond to Mr. Palazzolo. The question was raised if there were monies in the budget for Board member training. Ms. Elliott requested that an orientation manual for Board members be ordered.

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Old Business – The lease for 815 was reviewed and approved. The Policy and Procedure cover sheet was approved with noted changes. The upcoming town hall meetings are ready to go. The media plan is ready, flyers and radio messages are done, dates have been set and letters are ready to go out.

New Business – Dr. Peterson gave a methadone clinic update. The 2002 expectation was that CUPHD would move into a new building by 2005, allowing the methadone clinic to utilize the entire space at 217 Broadway. Approval of the clinic has been hindered by politics trying to stop the growth of such clinics. Springfield is oppositional, while the Chicago area is supportive. The methadone clinic at its mature phase will require the entire space at 217 Broadway. Expectations are that this clinic will serve approximately 350 patients and employ four nurses and eight to ten counselors.

In August 2003, a 300-page application was submitted to the State of Illinois Center for Substance Abuse. Final approval must come from the DEA. There is no longer any funding available for this clinic. This necessitates funding of the clinic by patient fees. Under the direction of past Administration, CUPHD is subsidizing the clinic's rent portion. Patient fees would be \$70 per week per client. Champaign-Urbana residents currently go without services or must go to Chicago.

Questions were raised regarding seed money for facility renovations and three-month salary support for nursing. Costs have been incurred in the past by CUPHD; these costs are estimated at \$300,000.

The contract between Midwest Neoped Assoc., Ltd. And CUPHD was discussed. Ms. Abernathy asked for clarification regarding Provena's role with this physician. The majority of his time will be with the STD clinics, not well baby. This contract will be put on a future Study Session agenda.

The Vision and Hearing cost sharing plan fee change was presented and discussed. Mr. Palazzolo proposed that the fee be decreased from \$7.00 per screening to \$3.50 per screening. CUPHD lost clients to the State because their fee was lower. Ms. Wysocki made a motion to decrease the fee to \$3.50 per screening effective April 1, 2006. Ms. Abernathy seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Fiscal Year 2007 Proposed Budget – The proposed budget is \$8,634,471. Work is being done to adjust salaries for appropriate divisions. There is an anticipated 16% increase for healthcare insurance costs. IMRF and unemployment increased as of January 2006. There is a personal property tax website (www.il.tax.com) which shows how much revenue the district can expect to receive. Ms. Wysocki made a motion to accept the Fiscal Year 2007 Proposed Budget. Ms. Abernathy seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

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Mr. Palazzolo asked for the Board's thoughts on divisional reorganization and his authority to proceed without the Board's approval. The Board informed Mr. Palazzolo that his position as Administrator holds such authority. Mr. Palazzolo will notify the Board of any and all divisional changes made at CUPHD.

MsWysocki moved for closed session to discuss investment of funds pursuant to section 2(c)(7) of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 5, Illinois Compiled Statutes, Paragraph 120/2 (c)(7). Ms. Abernathy seconded the move. A roll call was taken and all members were in favor of a closed session. The board went into closed session at 6:55 p.m. Also present were Mr. Vito Palazzolo and Mr. Fred Grosser.

Ms. Elliott declared the session open at 7:19 p.m. Present at this time were board members Barbara Wysocki and Linda Abernathy along with Vito Palazzolo, Fred Grosser and Staci Bossert.

Seeing no further business, Ms Elliott adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

The next monthly meeting will be held April 17, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. and a Monthly Study Session will be held March 29, 2006 at 9:30 a.m.

Chair

Secretary