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MEEKER-McLEOD-SIBLEY COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 14th, 2021
9AM to 11AM
Environmental Services Building in Hutchinson

Board Members

Beth Oberg.....present
Julie Bredeson.....present
Danny Schiefelbein...absent

Nathan Schmalz....present
Daryl Luthens.....present
Joe Nagel.....absent

Bobbie Harder.....present
Joy Cohrs.....present
Steve Saxton.....absent

Staff Present

Kiza Olson.....present
Diane Winter.....present
Rachel Fruhwirth....present

Berit Spors.....present
Amanda Maresh.....present

Julie Schrum.....absent
Klea Rettmann.....present

Guest: Tera Przybilla

a) Meeting called to order by Madam Chair Harder at 9:02a.m.

b) Additions to the Agenda

Addition to administrative items – Commissioner Oberg would like to discuss delegation agreements. Motion by Daryl Luthens to approve the addition. Seconded by Nathan Schmalz. No discussion. Roll call. Motion carried. Motion by Daryl Luthens to approve the agenda. Seconded by Nathan Schmalz. No discussion. Roll call. Motion carried.

c) Approval of July 8th, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve May 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes by Beth Oberg. Seconded by Joy Cohrs. No discussion. Roll call. Motion carried.

d) Fiscal Administration

a. Approval of July, August, and September Expense Reports – Invoice payments

Motion to approve Expense Reports by Joy Cohrs. Seconded by Nathan Schmalz. No discussion. Roll call. Motion carried.

b. Approval of Financial Statements - Fiscal

Discussion was had on the current reports. The board would like to consider alternative report options. The CHS administrator will bring an example to the finance committee meeting in October. Motion to approve the May, June, July, August and September Financial Statements made by Beth Oberg. Seconded by Julie Bredeson. No further discussion. Roll call. Motion carried.





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e) Finance Committee Update

- a. Committee met to review modified 2021 CHS budget after the CHS received an additional \$100,691.00. McLeod will receive an additional \$38,768. Meeker will receive and additional \$23,735, and Sibley will receive an additional \$16,615, based on the 49%, 31%, 20% census split, respectively. The remainder dollars will be allocated to the CHS. Motion to approved the 2021 revised budget Nathan Schmalz, 2nd by Joy Cohrs. No discussion. Roll call. Motion Carried.
- b. Commissioner Jan Malcolm informed of an increase for public health. Group discussion on social vulnerability index (SVI) was had. Region make-up and representatives will be sent out by Madam Chair Harder.

f) SCHSAC Update - Kiza

- a. Commissioner Malcom and Chelsey Huntley discussed updates in Public Health including COVID and 21st Century public health efforts and her desire to continue moving this forward. \$6 million in public health infrastructure dollars will be utilized across the state.
- b. Pivoting of the Future - conference for MDH. Breakout sessions for the group offering a break from COVID and professional development.

g) Administrative Items

- a. **Set meeting dates for 2022** - the board would like this discussed at the finance committee meeting on October 28th, then brought to the board for the next CHB.
- b. **Delegation Agreements.** Discussion was had to set meeting dates for management team to review the delegation agreements. Management team will set calendar dates to review in a timely manner, though the board recognized the difficulty during COVID.

h) Agency Updates

Meeker: Seeing an uptick in COVID cases, including school age. Schools are doing everything they can to keep their students and staff safe. Vaccination rate is increased to 51.2%. Continue to vaccinate. A new request for the booster dose and county is prepared. Hotwash was completed a couple of weeks ago. OSHA requirements for supporting businesses in the county once that final rule is announced. Encouraging most visits to be remote, most staff are working from home.

Sibley: Sibley provided the schools with data - the last month was the 2nd highest month since the beginning of the pandemic. 0-9 decreased, 10-19 had an increase of 115%. Schools are definitely feeling that. Discussion of mitigation is occurring. 2 deaths in September. Sibley County is offering flu clinics in the schools. Sibley County is hosting the employee benefits fair alone with an employee drive thru flu clinic. Oct 28th Sibley is hosting a 9-4 Pfizer booster





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clinic. Hotwash was completed with the South Central Coalition. Looking to hire a WIC clerk position after a retirement.

McLeod: We had a meeting with our school and healthcare partners on Monday, October 11th. They are struggling getting kids to wear masks on the bus, staffing (having a hard time finding subs), etc. It's very hard to keep a balance between keeping people safe and having them be in school. Healthcare partners continue to struggle to keep up with COVID testing. Trying to get saliva testing to come back to McLeod County. Both HH and GRH are at max capacity.

On 10/7/21, we started to offer the Pfizer vaccine (we gave 3). We will do first, 2nd, 3rd or booster doses. We continue to do the 1st, 2nd or 3rd dose of Moderna, if applicable. Today we have 2 Pfizer and 11 Moderna's scheduled. As of 10/11/21, 50.1% of McLeod's population has received at least 1 dose of the COVID vaccine.

CHS: Counties are busy in COVID and staff are continually pivoting to meet the needs of our community. We are waiting on a new RFP for Project Harmony. Waiting on funding information on the workforce development grant that we were told we would be awarded. We were successful in writing for the healthy homes grant, being awarded \$42,500 for two years. PrimeWest recently awarded us with a scholarship and a grant. State auditors are wrapping up their audit and will perform an exit interview shortly.

i) Adjourn

Motion by Beth Oberg and seconded by Julie Bredeson to adjourn meeting at 10:44 a.m. Roll call. Motion carried. The next meeting has been rescheduled to November 10th at 9:00am at the Environmental Waste Building in Hutchinson.

Beth Oberg, MMS CHS Board Secretary

Date

2021 Meeting Dates
November 10

All meetings are 9-11 unless otherwise specified

