
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD OF HEALTH | MINUTES
707 N Armstrong Place, Boise, ID | Syringa Room
Tuesday, October 16, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

Note: Due to COVID-19, meetings of the Board for the remainder of 2020 will be held via video conference unless otherwise noted.

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I. IN THE MATTER OF CALL TO ORDER

Betty Ann Nettleton, Board Chair, called the Central District Health (CDH) Regular Board of Health meeting to order at 8:44 a.m. due to an electric outage.

II. IN THE MATTER OF ROLL CALL

The Board of Health members were identified by roll call: Representative Megan Blanksma, V-Chair; Commissioner Ryan Stirm; Jane Young, DNP; Commissioner Diana Lachiondo; Ted Epperly, MD; Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck, Trustee; and Betty Ann Nettleton, RN (Ret), Chair.

Guests: David Beale, Spectra Productions, and Mike Kane, CDH Legal Counsel

Others present were CDH staff members Russell A. Duke, District Director; Bonnie Spencer, Chief Operating Officer; Laura Smith, Health Policy & Promotion Program Manager; Jamie Larsen, CDH Infant & Children's Mental Health Services Clinician; and Donna Mahan, Recorder.

ACTION ITEMS:

III. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Motion: Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck made a motion to approve the October 16, 2020 agenda as amended, adding two new discussion items; seconded by Dr. Jane Young. By voice vote, Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck, Representative Megan Blanksma, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Jane Young, Dr. Ted Epperly, and Commissioner Diana Lachiondo voted aye. Motion carried.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. *Petition by Spectra Productions to be Allowed to Hold Consumer Shows that are currently prohibited under the large venue gathering restriction of the current Ada County Public Health Orders by David Beale*

David Beale from Spectra Productions appealed to the Board of Health, requesting approval to hold three consumer shows this year: Boise Fall Home Show, Treasure Valley Flea Market, and Boise Christmas Show. Mr. Beale shared his safety plan, which has been approved by CDH. He believes that Spectra's Consumer Shows align with the retail environment versus mass gathering.

The Board discussed having CDH staff observe the event to evaluate and to report back regarding approved safety protocols being enforced. The outcome of the observation would determine if the next event or future events would be approved. They talked about the possibility of approving a categorical exemption versus an individual exemption.

Motion: Dr. Ted Epperly made a motion that we move forward with Mr. Beale's plan for Spectra Productions to do their first Home Show on the 23rd through the 25th of October. We would have CDH staff observe that show, giving a report back to see if the show proceeds in an orderly fashion that is safe for the public's health, for the attendees, and for the vendors. We would then move forward with approving his future shows, knowing that we are doing this in a stepwise and safe manner. Dr. Epperly proposed that we just limit this, at this point, to Spectra Productions. If other similar companies want to do what Mr. Beale has thoughtfully put forth, they are free to do so and we will entertain those approved by Mr. Duke. Seconded by Dr. Jane Young.

Discussion: Mr. Kane asked for clarification that the motion included delegating authority to Mr. Duke to approve future shows including Spectra Productions. Both Dr. Young and Dr. Epperly confirmed that was the intent of the motion to have Russ along with his staff to have the authority to approve future shows including Spectra Productions.

By voice vote, Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck, Representative Megan Blanksma, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Jane Young, Dr. Ted Epperly, and Commissioner Diana Lachiondo voted aye. Motion carried unanimously.

2. *Discussion and vote on a face covering requirement for all members of the public when inside a Central District Health facility with the only exception being for children under the age of 2*

The Board discussed how spectators at the last meeting entered the building with no mask, were not social distancing, and were in close contact with staff and the security team. This behavior is disruptive to CDH's flow of business and puts others at great risk for transmission of the virus and their safety. As a result of these actions, the Board discussed requiring all members of the public to wear a face covering with the only exception being for children under the age of 2 when inside a Central District Health facility. Anyone with a medical reason for not being able to wear a face covering or individuals not wanting to wear a face covering would be able to observe the meeting through CDH's YouTube channel.

Motion: Dr. Ted Epperly made a motion that we do ensure that all people that are entering the Central District Health facility that are over the age of 2 years old are masked. Seconded by Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck. No further discussion. By voice vote, Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Jane Young, Dr. Ted Epperly, and Commissioner Diana Lachiondo voted aye. Representative Megan Blanksma voted no. Motion carried.

3. *Vote on minutes from October 13, 2020 Board meeting*

Motion: Dr. Jane Young made a motion to approve the October 13, 2020 Board of Health minutes as written; seconded by Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck. By voice vote, Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck, Representative Megan Blanksma, Commissioner Ryan Stirm (abstained); Dr. Jane Young, Dr. Ted Epperly, and Commissioner Diana Lachiondo voted aye. Motion carried.

Mike Kane left the meeting at 9:36 a.m.

4. *Provide FY-2020 Financial Reports by Bonnie Spencer, Chief Operating Officer. Farewell to Bonnie.*

The FY-2021 Budget to Actual for September 2020 report reflects that we are 25% through this budget fiscal year. There are significant budgetary variances with the effect of COVID activities and with final Boise remodel expenses budgeted last year but paid this year. Total revenues are at 37% of the budget. Fees are at 25%; contracts are at 47%; and county contributions are at 34%. Total expenditures are at 26%. Personnel costs are at 24%. Operating costs are at 26%; and

capital costs are at 155%. The FY-2021 Cash Balance Statement and Reserve Report at the end of September reflect a total cash balance of \$4,037,130; the reserve fund designations are \$2,353,131 with a cash balance of \$1,683,999.

Wishing Bonnie Spencer well in her upcoming retirement, members of the Board of Health along with Mr. Duke acknowledged her years of service and outstanding accomplishments at Central District Health.

5. *Present and Discuss Valley County Opioid Response Project (VCORP) grant by Laura Smith, Health Policy & Promotion Program Manager*

Laura Smith shared that CDH is the recipient of the HRSA Implementation Grant for the Valley County Opioid Response Project, which is for \$1 million over three years. The main focus will be on prevention, treatment, and recovery from opioid use disorder in Valley County. The Consortium voted to include an additional activity, establishing a hub or recovery center. Opioid use in Valley County and drug-induced death per 100,000 is higher than the average for the state of Idaho and United States.

6. *Present the Virtual Therapy Room Created by Central District Health's Jamie Larsen for the delivery of our Infant and Children's Mental Health Services, by Jaime Larsen*

Jamie Larsen works with children from 0 to 5 years of age. She shared one of the tools she has developed to provide a fun, innovative way to keep clients engaged and still provide the interventions that they need virtually. This program contains multiple rooms with different activities to meet each child's need.

7. *District Director's Report*

Discuss legislation that may impact the public health districts in Idaho

The Executive Council will meet at the end of the October to discuss possible public health legislation that may be brought forward during the legislative session and the possibility of hiring a lobbyist if needed.

Upcoming meeting

Two key agenda items for the next meeting will be proposed orders regarding restrictions for visiting residents at long term care facilities and revisiting school recommendations by CDH.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The next Board of Health meeting will be Tuesday, October 20 at 5:15 p.m. The Board adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

Motion: Commissioner Ryan Stirm made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Representative Megan Blanksma. By voice vote, Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck, Representative Megan Blanksma, Commissioner Ryan Stirm, Dr. Jane Young, Dr. Ted Epperly, and Commissioner Diana Lachiondo voted aye. Motion carried.

Attest:



Betty Ann Nettleton
Board Chair



Russell A. Duke, District Director
Secretary to the Board

Board Minutes approved on October 27, 2020.