

CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD OF HEALTH | MINUTES
707 N Armstrong Place, Boise, ID | Syringa Conference Room
Tuesday, December 15, 2020 | 3:30 pm

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I. IN THE MATTER OF CALL TO ORDER

Betty Ann Nettleton, Board Chair, called the Central District Health (CDH) Board of Health meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

II. IN THE MATTER OF ROLL CALL

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

Others present were CDH staff members Russell A. Duke, District Director, and Donna Mahan, Recorder.

ACTION ITEMS:

III. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

No changes noted.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. *Discussion and Vote regarding potential actions to protect life, health, and safety within the District as to the COVID-19 Pandemic to include a district-wide public health order*

Russ Duke summarized decisions that led to the current draft order. Two of our four counties have an order: The Ada County order has been in place since June 26, and the Valley County mask order has been in place since August 11. A districtwide public health advisory was issued on November 17. After listening to data from our Communicable Disease Control Program Manager and local hospital administrators, the Board asked Russ on December 1 to draft an order for the Board's consideration at a special meeting on December 4. The draft order was amended and was to be considered on December 8, but the meeting was cut short due to safety reasons. For the draft order on the agenda today, Russ described a change to be considered that would include: 'Those permitted for 200 and greater will utilize security personnel to enforce COVID-19 safety protocols, including physical distancing.' This is in place of current language requiring all bars and nightclubs regardless of occupancy to utilize security personnel. Russ asked the Board to support the order.

Motion: Dr. Ted Epperly made a motion to approve the proposed CDH public health order with the change noted for bars and nightclubs, to rescind the existing orders for Ada and Valley counties, and to lift the COVID-19 public health advisory issued on November 17. Seconded by Diana Lachiondo. No discussion to place. By voice vote, Representative Megan Blanksma, Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck, and Commissioner Ryan Stirm voted no. Dr. Jane Young, Dr. Ted Epperly, and Commissioner Diana Lachiondo voted yes. With a tie vote, the motion failed.

Due to the failure of the motion, the current districtwide advisory is still in effect, along with the Valley County Order and the Ada County Order. The Board and Russ expressed their appreciation to the public for their comments and participation in the process. The public was encouraged to continue to do its part in social distancing, limiting the size of gatherings, wearing masks, and washing hands because we are all in it together and we have all felt the impact of COVID-19.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The next Board of Health meeting will be Friday, December 18 at 8:30 am. The Board adjourned at 3:59 pm by motion.

Motion: Representative Megan Blanksma made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck. Representative Megan Blanksma, Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck, 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 December 22, 2020.