
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD OF HEALTH REGULAR MEETING | MINUTES
707 N. Armstrong Place, Boise, ID 83704 | Syringa Conference Room
Friday, March 20, 2026, 8:30 A.M.

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Call board meeting to order and roll call – Dr. Greg Ferch, Chair

Dr. Greg Ferch, Board Chair, called the Central District Health (CDH) Board of Health meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. The board members were identified by roll call: Dr. Jane Young, Ada County; Betty Ann Nettleton, Elmore County; Dr. Greg Ferch, Ada County; Comr. Crystal Rodgers, Elmore County; Comr. Katlin Caldwell, Valley County; Comr. Clay Tucker, Boise County; Dr. Ryan Cole, Ada County;

Guests and Staff in attendance were Russ Duke, District Director; Cory Kennedy, Recorder; Conan Chiu, Financial Support Program Manager; Curtis Loveless, Community & Environmental Health Division Administrator; Beth Bolen, Family & Clinic Services Division Administrator; Stephanie Geanopulos, Communications & Marketing Manager; Emily Waddoups, WIC Program Manager;

Call for changes to agenda; vote to approve of agenda – Dr. Greg Ferch, Chair

Chair Greg Ferch called for any changes to the agenda as presented; no changes were brought up, and the agenda was approved.

Discuss and vote on February 27, 2026, Board of Health minutes – Dr. Greg Ferch, Chair

Chair Greg Ferch called for any changes to the February 27, 2026, Board of Health minutes; no changes were brought up, and the February 27, 2026, Board of Health minutes were approved.

Public Comment – Dr. Greg Ferch, Chair

No public comments were brought before the Board.

Provide and review FY-2026 financial report – Conan Chiu, Staff

Conan provided an overview of the current FY-2026 Budget to Actual report. We are approximately 66.67% through FY-2026. The FY-2026 Cash Balance Statement reflected a total cash balance of \$12,561,743, comprised of \$6,930,502 in total reserve fund designations, \$3,800,413 in total restricted funds, and \$1,830,828 in cash balance undesignated/unrestricted.

Ada & Boise County

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208-375-5211

Elmore County

520 E. 8th N. Mountain Home, ID 83647
208-587-4407

Valley County

703 1st St. McCall, ID 83638
208-614-7194

Discuss and vote on budget guidance for the FY-2027 Budget, including compensation plan for CDH staff and county funding request – Russ Duke, District Director

Russ provided the Board with his plan to create a FY-2027 Draft Budget, which includes a request for a 3% increase in funding from the counties.

Motion: Commissioner Crystal Rodgers motioned to approve creating a FY-2027 Draft Budget with a 3% increase request from the counties, seconded by Dr. Ryan Cole; the motion was put to a vote and was carried unanimously.

WIC Nutrition and Breastfeeding Update – Emily Waddoups, Staff

Emily provided the Board with a presentation on WIC Nutrition and Breastfeeding, and how the program is navigating the recent food pyramid changes.

WIC program operational overview and strategy to increase participation – Beth Bolen, Staff

Beth provided the Board with an operational overview of the WIC program and the strategy that Family & Clinic Services has to increase WIC participation.

Executive Council update on legislation of public health interest – Betty Ann Nettleton, Board Member

Betty Ann provided updates from the Executive Council and updates from the current legislative session.

Director’s Report to include the FY-2027 Budget plan – Russ Duke, District Director

Russ will work on the FY-2027 Draft Budget to present for approval at the Board of Health's April 10, 2026, meeting.

Vote to enter Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(a) – Dr. Greg Ferch, Chair

Motion: Commissioner Crystal Rodgers motioned to enter Executive Session under Idaho Code 74-206(1)(a) “To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need.” Seconded by Dr. Ryan Cole. By roll Call: Dr. Jane Young, Ada County, aye; Betty Ann Nettleton, Elmore County, aye; Commissioner Crystal Rodgers, Elmore County, aye; Dr. Greg Ferch, Ada County, aye; Commissioner Katlin Caldwell, Valley County, aye; Commissioner Clay Tucker, Boise County, aye; Dr. Ryan Cole, Ada County, aye; Motion carried with unanimous approval.

The Board entered Executive Session at 9:53 A.M.

The Board resumed the regular business meeting at 10:41 A.M.

Motion: No action taken during Executive Session.

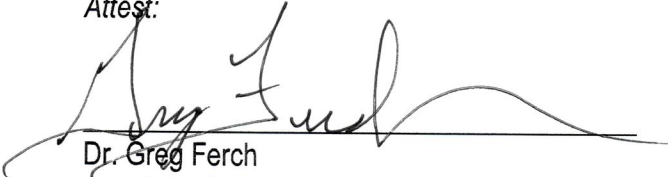
Public Health News Open Discussion – Dr. Greg Ferch, Board Chair

The Board had an open discussion on current public health news topics.

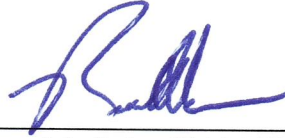
Adjournment – Dr. Greg Ferch, Chair

The next Board of Health meeting will be on Friday, April 10, 2026, starting at 8:30 A.M. at our Boise Office. The board adjourned at 10:56 A.M.

Attest:



Dr. Greg Ferch
Board Chair



Russell A. Duke, District Director
Secretary to the Board of Health

Date approved: 4/10/26