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**CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD OF HEALTH REGULAR MEETING | MINUTES**  
**707 N. Armstrong Place, Boise, ID 83704 | Syringa Conference Room**  
**Friday, April 10, 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; Laurel Gearhart, Support Services Division Administrator; Curtis Loveless, Community & Environmental Health Division Administrator; Beth Bolen, Family & Clinic Services Division Administrator; Stephanie Geanopulos, Communications & Marketing Manager; Lisa Cardona, Business Operations Specialist;

**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 March 20, 2026, Board of Health minutes – Dr. Greg Ferch, Chair**

Chair Greg Ferch called for any changes to the March 20, 2026, Board of Health minutes; no changes were brought up, and the March 20, 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 – Laurel Gearhart, Staff**

Laurel provided an overview of the current FY-2026 Budget to Actual report. We are approximately 75.00% through FY-2026. The FY-2026 Cash Balance Statement reflected a total cash balance of \$12,250,985, comprised of \$6,803,934 in total reserve fund designations, \$3,625,804 in total restricted funds, and \$1,821,247 in cash balance undesignated/unrestricted.

**Review and vote on the FY-2027 proposed budget – Russ Duke, District Director**

Russ presented the FY-2027 proposed budget, including a 3% increase in county contribution, and addressed the Board's comments and inquiries.

**Motion:** Betty Ann Nettleton motioned to approve the FY-2027 proposed budget as presented, including a 3% increase in county contribution, seconded by Dr. Jane Young; the motion was put to a vote and was carried unanimously.

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**Ada & Boise County**

707 N. Armstrong Pl. Boise, ID 83704  
208-375-5211

**Elmore County**

520 E. 8<sup>th</sup> N. Mountain Home, ID 83647  
208-587-4407

**Valley County**

703 1<sup>st</sup> St. McCall, ID 83638  
208-614-7194

**Community & Environmental Health update on septic system fees – Curtis Loveless, Staff**

Curtis provided the Board with an update on septic system fees from the Community & Environmental Health Division and received feedback on how to plan an increase to septic system fees to cover more of the program's expenses.

**Modernizing the customer experience at CDH – Laurel Gearhart, Staff**

Laurel provided the Board with a presentation on how the Support Services Division is modernizing the customer experience at Central District Health.

**Social Drivers of Health Screening and Community Health Worker Support – Beth Bolen, Staff**

Beth provided the Board with a presentation on the Social Drivers of Health Screening and the impact of Community Health Worker Support.

**Director's Report – Russ Duke, District Director**

Russ reminded the Board of his upcoming pre-budget committee meetings with each of the four county Boards of Commissioners.

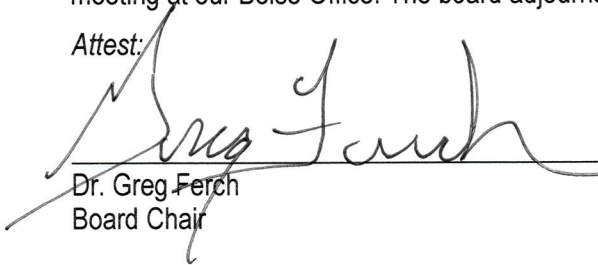
**Public Health News Open Discussion – Dr. Greg Ferch, Board Chair**

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, May 08, 2026, immediately following the Budget Committee meeting at our Boise Office. The board adjourned at 10:43 A.M.

Attest:

  
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Dr. Greg Ferch  
Board Chair

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

Date approved: 5/8/26