# WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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# WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING (HEALTH AND AGING LIASON COMMITTEE) July 2, 2008

Members Present: Supervisor Charlene Brady, Supervisor Melvin Ewert,

Supervisor Joan Russell, Doreen Buntrock, Pat Hrobsky, Director/Health Officer Linda Walter Others: Assistant Director Shari Winter, Environmental Health Specialist Margaret Anderson,

PHN Micayla Jahns, WIC Nutritionist student Kathryn Pike

Excused: Supervisor William Meyers, Dr. Laura Radke, Christian Klemmer

Chairperson, Charlene Brady, called the meeting of the Washington County Board of Health to order at 10:35 a.m. Notice of Posting was given.

Introductions and a welcome to Micayla Jahns, Public Health Nurse.

#### **Minutes from Previous Meeting:**

Motion by Doreen Buntrock, Seconded by Pat Hrobsky to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2008 meeting. Motion Carried.

#### **Monthly Reports:**

The Board of Health reviewed the Health Department Activity report and Communicable Disease report for June 2008 YTD.

#### **Updated Animal Bite brochure - rabies:**

An updated brochure on rabies was distributed to the Board. Margaret Anderson, Environmental Health Specialist discussed the addition added to the brochure regarding what to do if a bat is found in a room where a person was sleeping.

#### **Grant for WIC Breastfeeding Celebration \$500**:

Kathryn Pike, Nutrition Student working with WIC, was present to give an update on the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Breastfeeding Celebration planned for August 1, 2008 at the Public Agency Center. All Board members were invited to attend the event. Past participation has been good in past years. Linda asked the Board permission to apply for a grant from Kohl's for WIC for up to \$500. **Motion** by Pat Hrobsky, **Seconded** by Doreen Buntrock to apply and accept a grant in the amount of \$500 from Kohl's for the Breastfeeding Celebration. **Motion Carried.** 

#### Flooding response update:

Linda gave the Board an update on the Health Department's participation in the county's flood response. A summary and samples of materials distributed to the public were available. Linda stated the success of the response was helped by the preparedness training done with the many community partners involved.

## **Health People Project of Washington County update:**

Shari Winter, Assistant Director gave an update on the Healthy People project of Washington County which focuses on preventing obesity with increased physical activity and good nutrition. She discussed the coalition's project of bringing farmer's markets to the worksite. She also discussed another planned project promoting the many county trails available. The coalition continues to do strategic planning. Linda gave them credit for the tremendous amount of work they have done and stated there has been great community participation. Discussion followed.

#### **Director's Announcements:**

- WIC Pool position for a Peer Counselor was approved at the June 26<sup>th</sup> Administrative Services meeting
- June 23<sup>rd</sup> Linda attended a FEMA exercise in Milwaukee with other County officials
- Public health mid-year review grant site visit on July 1<sup>st</sup> went well
- Health Educator position will be vacant July 8<sup>th</sup>
- One Public Health Nurse position remains unfilled
- Several media articles were distributed.
- State DPH has received a CDC WISEWOMAN grant for increased cardiovascular services for the WWWP
- Pat Hrobsky asked about information that Board members were copied on from Mr.
   Thresher concerning Ackerville water addressed to the DNR. Linda said she did call the DNR and requested a copy of any response that may be made.

### **Continue 2009 budget preparation discussion:**

The due date for 2009 budget materials to the Administrative Coordinator is August 29<sup>th</sup>. Discussion followed on a date for the next meeting. Linda noted that the department's capacity to respond to surg or unusual events like the flooding is very limited. She noted that this validates the Board's decision last month to approve a full time position in the 2009 requested budget.

#### **Next Meeting & Adjournment:**

The next meeting for the Board of Health was undetermined at this time but tentatively scheduled for the week of August 17, 2008. **Motion** Doreen Buntrock, **Seconded** by Pat Hrobsky to adjourn at 12:12 p.m. **Motion Carried.**