

WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING HEALTH & AGING LIAISON COMMITTEE August 4, 2005

Members Present: Charlene Brady, Delores Kruepke, Ralph Hensel, Pat Hrobsky, and Mary Callan. Excused: Doreen Buntrock.

Chairperson, Charlene Brady, called the meeting of the Washington County Board of Health to order at 11:00 a.m. Notice of Posting was given.

Minutes From Previous Meetings: Motion by Ralph Hensel, Second by Delores Kruepke to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2005 meeting. **Motion Carried.**

Director's Report:

- Linda Walter discussed a Tabletop exercise concerning mass clinic responsibilities to be held on August 9th, 2005.
- On September 12-13, 2005 Linda and Shari Winter will be attending the 3rd Annual Statewide Partner's Conference on Public Health and Hospital Emergency Preparedness. Board members were invited to attend the Conference.
- SynergyHealth, St. Joseph's Hospital is scheduled to move Sunday, August 7, 2005. Area fire departments and ambulance services are participating by moving patients and using the experience as a drill testing evacuation procedures. Linda will participate with Rob Schmid, Emergency Management Coordinator, in opening a county EOC to coordinate and monitor the drill. The Health Department will conduct a test of the Command Caller feature from the state Health Alert Network, HAN, to alert staff during non business hours of the situation. Linda and Rob have attended several planning meetings the past 2 months.
- Notification was received yesterday that there are no excess funds available for TB control activities the first 6 months of 2005.

Monthly Activity Report:

The monthly activity report was reviewed. A graph comparing communicable disease cases and staff hours was reviewed. The number of cases is less than in 2004 but, the number of hours spent by staff is approximately half of 2005 at the end of June. Also available for review was a Quad Counties Public Health Consortium Surveillance Report from June 2005 showing communicable disease statistics from the 4 counties for the first 6 months of 2005.

Review of 2006 Health Department Budget:

The Board reviewed the 2006 requested budget, which is \$4,927 or 0.50% above the base budget. Decision items included:

- Request for overtime for public health nurses in the amount of \$4,927.
- Request for the addition of a Limited Hour WIC Dietetic Technician position at 8 hours per week plus 40 hours. The WIC grant will cover the requested \$6,607.

- Addition of three unfunded Public Health Nurse Limited Hour positions to be utilized for short-term help in the event of any episodic incidents.

Motion by Ralph Hensel, **Second** by Mary Callan to approve the 2006 Health Department requested budget as presented, and request that it be forwarded to Administrative Coordinator, Doug Johnson and the Finance Committee. **Motion Carried.**

Next Meeting & Adjournment: The next meeting for the Board of Health is scheduled for October 6, 2005 at 10:30 a.m. in room 1000A of the PAC. There will be no September Board of Health Meeting. Motion to adjourn at 12:28 p.m.