

WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Mission: Promote Health * Prevent Disease * Protect the Public

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING (HEALTH AND AGING LIASON COMMITTEE) April 15, 2013 in Room 1023 PAC Building

Members Present: Supervisor Richard Gundrum, Supervisor Donald Kriefall, Supervisor Daniel Goetz, Patricia Hrobsky, Doreen Buntrock, Cynthia Sieloff, and Health Officer Linda Walter

Excused: Supervisor Robert Milich, Dr. Chad Tamez

Visitors: Joni Whitehouse, Deputy Health Officer

Chairperson Rick Gundrum called the meeting of the Washington County Board of Health to order at 8:01 a.m. Notice of Posting was given.

Minutes from Previous Meeting:

Motion by Donald Kriefall, **Seconded** by Daniel Goetz to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2013 meeting. **Motion Carried.**

Doreen Buntrock arrived at 8:07 a.m.

Review of annual report presentation for County Board on May 14, 2013:

Linda gave her annual report presentation to the Board which she will also present to the County Board on May 14th. Discussion followed.

Review of County Health Rankings website released March 20, 2013:

Linda demonstrated the County Health Ranking website www.countyhealthrankings.org and discussed the meaning of the summary numbers. She also shared some data from nearby counties' numbers for comparison. Linda indicated the data supports current programs and policies that are known to be effective in maintaining good health. There is a feature that flags areas that need more attention in the jurisdictions. In Washington County the report indicated that adult obesity and tobacco use as well as excessive drinking need continued attention and are above the desired level. In Washington County, both the Council and the Prevention Network do an excellent job of addressing tobacco and alcohol use. The Healthy People Project, which is currently updating its Strategic Plan, continues to act as the implementation arm of the Health Department's 2011-2015 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) to address issues surrounding overweight and obesity.

Distribution of monthly reports:

The monthly reports on Public Health Activities and Reportable Diseases were distributed and discussed.

Director's Announcements:

There were no questions about the informational items mailed with the agenda.

- a) April 1-7 was National Public Health Week with the theme Return on Investment (ROI):
Saves Lives, Saves Money
- b) March DPH Public Health Preparedness update was mailed with the agenda
- c) March DPH newsletter for BOH members was mailed with the agenda
- d) March letter from Wisconsin Public Health Council to WDPH in support of aligning policies and systems for better health was mailed with the agenda
- e) County Health Rankings media mailed with agenda
- f) Sample Koch pipeline letter mailed with agenda

Next Meeting & Adjournment:

The next meeting for the Board of Health is scheduled for May 20, 2013 at 08:00 a.m. in room 1023 of the PAC. **Moved** by Doreen Buntrock, **Seconded** by Patricia Hrobsky to adjourn at 9:02 a.m. **Motion Carried.**