

Manitowoc County Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
June 9, 2016

Attendance: Michele Frozena, Rita Metzger, Shannon Wanek, Mary Jo Capodice, David Dyzak and Shirley Fessler. Excused: Randy Vogel. Absent: Dave Nickels and Todd Nelson. Also attending: Amy Wergin, Jessica Wanserski, Mary Halada, Carrie Redo, Ellen Christel, and Angel and George Mueller.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair Rita Metzger. The minutes of the May 12, 2016 meeting were approved on a motion made by David Dyzak, seconded by Shirley Fessler. There was no public comment.

Information on local implementation of Anaphylaxis Training Program for use of Epinephrine Auto-injectors at authorized entities (WI SS 255.07): Amy Wergin provided information on the Statute that allows certain locations to have epinephrine on site for use by trained individuals when someone is experiencing a severe allergic reaction. Angel and George Mueller provided the following information about the death of their son: “Dillon was an 18 year old fun-loving, energetic, passionate young man who got stung by a bee and died of a fatal allergic reaction. We later found out that you never know when you can acquire an allergy. We don’t know if Dillon had been stung before or if this was the first time. Access to epinephrine may have saved his life. However, epinephrine is only available by prescription and since Dillon had not been diagnosed with an allergy he did not have epinephrine available. If you can acquire an allergy at any point in life, how do you get a prescription for life-saving medicine? Many people are unaware of the difficulty of obtaining this necessary medicine. Our goal is to make epinephrine available to the public without a prescription. Ultimately, we believe every first aid kit should contain an Epi –Pen.” More information can be found on their website: www.epifordilly.com . In the meantime, they are working to make the training required by WI SS 255.07 available and educate regarding this problem. The first training on May 12 was attended by 91 people. A second session will be held on June 21. The Board of Health asked that Manitowoc County investigate having Epi in county buildings and suggested that the Mueller’s provide a presentation to the County Board.

WIC Caseload: Final caseload for April was 1036 participants/607 families. The initial caseload for May was 1014 participants/596 families. 1151 participants is the contracted caseload. Farmer's Market started June 1. They are paper vouchers. They look similar to the senior farmer's market vouchers.

Healthiest Manitowoc County Health Literacy Coalition: Public Health Nurses Carrie Redo and Ellen Christel presented information on HMC Health Literacy Coalition and the efforts of the coalition to improve Health Literacy in High School Students and high risk populations using two evidence based curricula: Navigating the Health Care System and Let's Talk about Meds.

Fee Schedule Comparison: Manitowoc County vs State: Jessica Wanserski, EH Manager provided the Board with information on the current categories of Restaurant and Swimming Pool licenses, how Manitowoc County and the State of Wisconsin differ, and why we are going to change our structure to more closely match the State's.

There will be no July meeting of the Board of Health. The next meeting of the Board will be August 11, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. A motion to adjourn was made by Shirley Fessler, seconded by Michele Frozena at 6:15.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shirley Fessler
Secretary
(Minutes compiled by A. Wergin)