

Board of Health Minutes
August 8, 2019

Attendance: Randy Vogel, Dr. Todd Nelson, Kayla Drumm, Shannon Wanek, Shirley Fessler, Dave Nickels, Nicholas Muench and Dr. Brian Konowalchuk Excused: Rita Metzger. Also attending: Mary Halada and Lexi Otis

Regular Business:

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Randy Vogel at 5:00 p.m. The minutes of the June 13, 2019 Board of Health meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Shirley Fessler and seconded by Shannon Wanek to approve the minutes. Motion carried. There was no public comment.

Health Officer Report

- Communicable Disease Report: Mary shared the June and July Communicable Disease report which included Chlamydia, Hepatitis C and Gonorrhea as top 3 most reported diseases.

Environmental Manager Report

- None

Health Educator Report – Healthiest Manitowoc County Coalitions

- Investing Early Coalition - goal is to get children ready for Kindergarten. There are 6 workgroups including Early Literacy which promotes the Reach Out and Read program; Welcome Baby raises awareness of new mother resources; Parent Cafes promote the protective factors; Breastfeeding awareness and promotion; and Early Screening provides developmental screenings for children; and Promotion of the 5 early literacy practices.
- Youth Engagement – goal is to increase the number of students graduating high school. Working on supporting Kids at Hope.
- Physical Activity and Nutrition – goal is to increase physical activity. Coalition is working with YMCA to promote 25 miles of run/walking; 25 good deeds and 25 fruits and vegetables over the summer. Donated prizes for participants. Working on coordinating a walking school bus this Fall.
- Worksite Wellness – goal is to increase the number of businesses to offer a worksite wellness program. Workshop this September for businesses to attend and learn how to get a wellness program started.
- Access to Health Services – goal is to increase Health Literacy and provide education on how to navigate the health care system. “It’s OK To Ask” campaign will be utilized as well.
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health - goal is to increase access to services for mental health and substance abuse. Work is focused on Zero Suicide movement and increasing services for AODA treatment.

WIC Director Report

The final caseload for June was 972 participants and 561 families. The initial caseload for July is 1,000 participants and 580 families. The contracted caseload is 1,106.

Next Meeting Date and Adjournment

The next meeting date for the Board of Health is scheduled for September 12, 2019 at 5:00 pm. A motion to adjourn was made by Shannon Wanek and seconded by Brian Konowalchuk. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Halada, Acting Secretary