

SIOUXLAND DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH  
 REGULAR MEETING  
 August 4, 2021  
 Siouxland District Health Board Room  
 12:00 noon

BOARD MEMBERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSENT IN 2021	STAFF PRESENT	GUESTS PRESENT
George Boykin, Vice Chair	X		0	Kevin Grieme, Director	Diane Anderson
Rod Earleywine*	X		2	Tyler Brock	
Sandra Granger, MD*	X		0	Deb Lemmon	
Adam Lloyd*	X		2	Michelle C-Rosendahl	
Diane Prieksat*	X		4	Michelle Lewis	PUBLIC
Judy Turner, Chair	X		0	Jean Sterner	CONF LINE
Matthew Ung		X	2	April Yusten	Available
Present * Online/Video Conference				STAFF ONLINE	
				Heidi Nelson	
				Leann Orr	

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m. by Chair Judy Turner.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*Motion by Sandra Granger to approve the agenda, seconded by Adam Lloyd. Motion carried.*

3. MINUTES OF JULY 14, 2021 REGULAR MEETING – APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE BOARD CHAIR TO SIGN MEETING MINUTES

*Sandra Granger moved to approve and authorize the Board Chair to sign the July 14 regular meeting minutes, seconded by George Boykin. Motion carried.*

4. APPROVAL OF BILLS

The FY21 and FY22 Payable Registers for expenses to be on August 10 for Siouxland District Health Department (SDHD) were emailed to Board of Health members on August 2. Department bills were reviewed and approved by roll call vote for members online.

5. COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REPORT

Communicable disease updates provided by Tyler Brock, Deputy Director & Director of Laboratory Services. The 2020 Sexually Transmitted Disease Report (SDHD Clinic Only) was shared. There were fewer exams in 2020 due to limited appointments during COVID. The STD Clinic has now implemented “Express Visits” for asymptomatic people to reduce barriers to getting tested. Testing is slowly increasing but is down from the prior years.

Iowa and Woodbury County COVID cases are increasing but more slowly than in the southern states. No contact tracing is completed for new cases. SDH staff are making public health courtesy calls to see how individuals are doing and if they have any questions.

Of the new cases, 20% were fully vaccinated (consistent with the nationwide trend) and some were hospitalized. The average age of those recently hospitalized was 63 years old and no children were hospitalized. Children represent 14% of the new cases and based on their age were not eligible for the vaccine.

Board member Rod Earleywine expressed that schools need guidance. Superintendents need to know what actions will and will not be taken by public health officials. Last year there was an aggressive case tracking system in place for schools. This year, schools will need to rely on parents to keep symptomatic children home like any other illness. The Director indicated there will be no calls (contact tracing) or quarantine requirements for close contacts. Mask mandate in public schools is not allowed by new Iowa Law. Private businesses can mandate and require employees use masks, but any public funded organizations may not. The Health Director will document key information for schools and distribute by Friday, August 6. Institutes of higher education are focusing on

- Encouraging students and staff to get vaccinated,
- Emphasizing the personal choice to wear or not wear masks will be supported, and
- Staying home when not feeling well.

Board recommended that the Director author a letter for the Board Chair to send the appropriated authorities at Iowa Department of Public Health regarding consistency at the State level for all school systems and expressing the Board's concern about interactions of students between schools and communities.

6. APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE BOARD CHAIR TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING CONTRACTS /AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACTS WITH THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH:

- a. 5885BT497 – Amendment #12 - Emergency Response Multi-Year Program contract period is extended fifteen months and will now expire on June 30, 2023. Contract amount remains unchanged at \$459,747.
- b. 5881AW97E – Grants to Counties in the amount of \$40,400. Provides funding for private well water testing, plugging of abandoned wells and treatment options for wells with bacteria or other contaminants.
- c. MOU-2021-ELC34 – Mosquito Surveillance Amendment #1 adding \$900 to the total and extends surveillance through October 1, 2021.

*George Boykin moved to authorize the Board Chair to sign Contracts/Amendments to Contracts noted above, seconded by Sandra Granger. Motion carried.*

7. SIOUXLAND WOMEN, INFANT AND CHILDREN'S ANNUAL PROGRAM UPDATE

Jean Sterner, WIC Coordinator provided an overview of services completed by the WIC staff over the past year. Much of this time was spent in virtual appointments and at times, staff working from home. Staff are now back in the building and providing face to face appointments. In FY2020, over \$2M WIC dollars were spent in Woodbury County grocery stores. Over 5,000 women, infants, and children were served by SDHD WIC in FY2020. There were over 3,000, average active monthly WIC participants during October 2020 – June 2021.

8. TITLE V – MATERNAL, ADOLESCENT AND CHILD HEALTH AND I-SMILE PROGRAM UPDATE

Jean Sterner, WIC Coordinator, and the newly appointed MACH Coordinator, April Yusten, provided an over view of the Maternal Child Adolescent Health (MCAH) Services staff accomplishments over the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report of FY2021. Staff assisted women and children with Presumptive Eligibility Medicaid applications and provided information services to new Medicaid enrollees. MCAH staff met performance measures in dental care coordination for women and children. I-Smile services included numerous oral health screenings, and application of fluoride varnishes and teeth sealants.

9. REVIEW OF AMERICAN RECOVERY PLAN PROPOSED PROJECTS

Funding through the American Recovery Plan is available to Woodbury County. SDHD potential public health projects include funding for website design, purchase of a new electronic medical record, construction of two permanent awnings for drive through services, and equipment for recording podcasts and social media education.

*George Boykin moved to adopt the proposed projects and submit the funding request to the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors, seconded by Adam Lloyd. Motion carried*

10. APPROVAL FOR SDHD TO PARTICIPATE IN A VACCINE INCENTIVE PROGRAM WITH THE CITY OF SIOUX CITY AND KIND WORLD FOUNDATION

The Siouxland Community Health Center Foundation willing to serve as the fiscal recipient of funding from Kind World Foundation for an incentive program designed to increase the number of COVID vaccinated residents of Woodbury County. The incentive program details continue to be discussed and will include a raffle of multiple cash (debit cards) prizes for eligible participants.

*Motion by Sandra Granger to approve and authorize the SDHD to participate in the Incentive Program, seconded by Diane Prieksat. Motion carried.*

11. CONSIDERATION OF MOVING THE REGULAR BOARD OF HEALTH MEETINGS TO THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

Moving the regular Board of Health meeting to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in the month would improve the SDHD processing of month end vendor invoices/claims and avoid conflicts with holiday weeks.

*Adam Lloyd moved to authorize the Health Director to change the regular Board of Health meetings to the second Wednesday of each month, seconded by George Boykin. Motion carried.*

12. BOARD MEMBER UPDATES – Health Director plans to update head shots of BOH members for the website and media. In September, a professional photographer will be available to take new photos.

13. OTHER – SDHD Grant Summary prepared by Michelle Lewis, Health Planner/Development Coordinator was included in the BOH packet.

14. NEXT BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING DATE

The next Board of Health meeting will be September 8, 2021 at 12 noon in the Siouxland District Health Department Board Room.

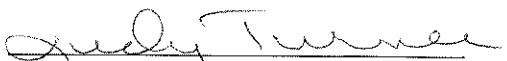
ADJOURNMENT

*Motion by Rod Earleywine to adjourn the Board of Health meeting, seconded by Sandra Granger. Motion carried.*

Board Chair Judy Turner adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.



Deb Lemmon, Board Secretary



Judy Turner, Chair

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Date Approved