

Lake County Illinois

Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center
3010 Grand Avenue
Waukegan, Illinois
Conference Room #3112



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

6:00 PM

3010 Grand Ave., Waukegan, IL

Lake County Board of Health

1. Call to Order

Vice President Johnson Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Members

Present 8 - Vice President Johnson Jones Ed.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member McDowell M.D., Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Parekh and Member Soulakis Ph.D.

Absent 4 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Larson Ph.D., Member-at-Large Maine and President Sashko

3. Pledge of Allegiance

This matter was presented

4. Public Comment to the Board

None

5. Awards and Recognition

None

6. Presentations**6.1**

FY2023 Audit Results - Cooper

Attachments: [LCHD FQHC Report on Schedule of Revenues & Expenses FINAL 11.30.2](#)

Angela Cooper, Director of Finance and Administrative Services, introduced Jason Coyle, CPA and Partner with Baker Tilly, US, LLP, who presented a review of the 2023 audited financials for the FQHC. The report showed no issues and was consistent with the County's overall financial opinion. Jason noted that Baker Tilly audits specific federal grants, highlighting this year's audit of the WIC program, which revealed no discrepancies, confirming the program's compliance.

This matter was presented

7. President's Report

Vice President Johnson Jones reported on the following on behalf of President Sashko:

1. President Sashko requested that the Board members examine the Executive Director job description provided to them to assist with the recruitment for the Executive Director position. He encouraged everyone to consider any questions they might have for the interview process.

2. All Board members should have received an invitation to the Municipal Breakfast scheduled for October 11, 2024. Registration is highly recommended. President Sashko will be in attendance.

3. President Sashko expressed gratitude to Lisle Stalter, State's Attorney's Office Attorney Chief, as this is her final Board of Health meeting as the Board's legal counsel. President Sashko thanked Lisle for her outstanding guidance and support over the years.

Karen Fox, State's Attorney's Office Chief Deputy, will assume the duties of Board of Health legal counsel until a new State's Attorney's office staff member is appointed.

4. Recruitment efforts for the next Lake County Health Department Executive Director are progressing well, with ongoing stakeholder interviews. President Sashko has issued a video to Health Department staff to update them on the recruitment process. Further updates on the recruitment process will be forthcoming from President Sashko, with support from Emily Young, Marketing and Communications Manager.

5. Sam Johnson, Interim Executive Director, briefly announced a press release is scheduled for September 26, 2024, concerning a local tobacco retailer whose license has been revoked. This marks their second offense, as their license was previously suspended for two weeks in April 2024 for selling to individuals under 21. Following the lifting of the suspension, they continued sales to underage customers. The department has decided to take decisive action, revoking their license for a full year. This decision follows numerous parental complaints and an investigation conducted by the Lake County Sheriff's Department, which involved undercover underage patrons able to purchase tobacco and nicotine-related products from the retailer.

8. Consent Agenda

Vice President Johnson Jones called for a motion to adopt the consent agenda and approve items 8.1 through 8.2. Motion by Member McDowell, second by Member Devaux. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Vice President Johnson Jones Ed.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member McDowell M.D., Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Parekh and Member Soulakis Ph.D.

Absent: 4 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Larson Ph.D., Member-at-Large Maine and President Sashko

8.1

August 28, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [BOH Minutes 8.28.24 - DRAFT](#)

This matter was approved

8.2

Illinois Department of Human Services, Child and Family Connections, \$276,101 - Grant Increase Approval - Kritz

Attachments: [CFC EA \\$276,101](#)

This matter was approved

9. Regular Agenda

9.1

Illinois Department of Public Health, Local Health Department Respiratory Surveillance and Outbreak Response, \$1,000,000 - Grant Approval - Kritz

Attachments: [RSORG EA \\$1M](#)

Vice President Johnson Jones called for a motion to approve the Illinois Department of Public Health, Local Health Department Respiratory Surveillance and Outbreak Response, \$1,000,000 - Grant. Motion by Member Devaux, second by Member Parekh. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Vice President Johnson Jones Ed.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member McDowell M.D., Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Parekh and Member Soulakis Ph.D.

Absent: 4 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Larson Ph.D., Member-at-Large Maine and President Sashko

9.2

IlliniCare, Health Grant - \$162,500 - Grant Approval - Burke

Attachments: [Illinicare EA](#)

Vice President Johnson Jones called for a motion to approve the IlliniCare, Health Grant - \$162,500. Motion by Member Parekh, second by Member McDowell. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Vice President Johnson Jones Ed.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member McDowell M.D., Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Parekh and Member Soulakis Ph.D.

Absent: 4 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Larson Ph.D., Member-at-Large Maine and President Sashko

9.3

Proposed Revisions to the Lake County Health Department Environmental Health Fees Schedule (as authorized in Lake County Code of Ordinances Chapter 178) - Mackey

Attachments: [2025 EH Fee Schedule Proposed Revisions](#)

Vice President Johnson Jones called for a motion to approve the proposed revisions to the Lake County Health Department Environmental Health Fees Schedule. Motion by Member Pollina, second by Member Soulakis. Motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 8 - Vice President Johnson Jones Ed.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member McDowell M.D., Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Parekh and Member Soulakis Ph.D.

Absent: 4 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Larson Ph.D., Member-at-Large Maine and President Sashko

9.4

Licensed Independent Practitioner (LIP) Privileging / Credentialing / Reappointment - Maine

This item was removed from the agenda due to the cancellation of the Credentialing Committee meeting for lack of a physical quorum.

This matter was postponed

9.5

2025 Board of Health Meeting Dates - Johnson

Vice President Johnson Jones called for motion to approve the proposed 2025

Board of Health meeting dates as presented. Motion by Member Parekh, second by Member Pollina. Motion carried by the following voice vote:

Aye: 8 - Vice President Johnson Jones Ed.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Cerk, Member McDowell M.D., Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Parekh and Member Soulakis Ph.D.

Absent: 4 - Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Larson Ph.D., Member-at-Large Maine and President Sashko

10. Discussion Items

None

11. Attachments for Board Review

11.1

Media Placement Highlights - Nordstrom

Attachments: [Media_Placement_Highlights_202408](#)

This matter was presented

12. Lake County Community Health Center Governing Council Update

The Governing Council met on September 3, 2024, to approve the FQHC budget, as mandated by HRSA. Subsequently, inquiries were received from HRSA concerning our FTCA deemed application, which serves as malpractice coverage for the FQHC. HRSA's request for information was responded to on September 13, 2024, and we are awaiting their feedback.

This matter was presented

13. Lake County Tuberculosis Board Update

None

14. Added to Agenda Items

None

15. Old Business

None

16. New Business

None

17. Executive Session

None

18. Adjournment

Vice President Johnson Jones adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m.