

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

6:00 PM

**Via Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/93726319965> or 1-312-626-6799,
Meeting ID: 937 2631 9965)**

Lake County Board of Health

1. Call to Order

President Sashko called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Member Carlson joined the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

Present 12 - Member DeVaux R.N., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Cesnovar, Member Maine, President Sashko, Member Carlson, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Rheault Ph.D., Member Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Ehrlich M.D., Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Schultz

2. Pledge of Allegiance**3. Approval of Minutes****3.1**

April 22, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [BOH Minutes 4.22.20 - DRAFT](#)

A motion was made by Member Rheault, seconded by Member DeVaux, that this item be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 11 - Member DeVaux R.N., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Cesnovar, Member Maine, President Sashko, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Rheault Ph.D., Member Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Ehrlich M.D., Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Schultz

Not Present: 1 - Member Carlson

4. Public Comment to the Board

None

5. Awards, Recognitions, Appointments and Reappointments

None

6. Presentations

None

7. President's Report

President Sashko reported on the following:

- 1. Welcome to Rosan Pritts, a Grad Student who lives in Lincolnshire and is studying to obtain her MBA in Healthcare Administration at Benedictine University, Lisle campus.*
- 2. Welcome to Paige Kopecky, a Grad Student also from Benedictine University studying to obtain her Masters in Public Health.*
- 3. Ruck March 2020, originally scheduled for May 22, 2020, will now be held virtually, September 1-22, 2020, and has been named RuckUp 2020. Participants have 22 days to complete the march from anywhere in the world. There will be fundraising teams, competitions, honors, media blasts and more. The new format was scheduled to debut on Monday, May 25, 2020 on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram, website and Pathfinder. There will be live and recorded interviews.*

4. He and Mark had their final court date last Wednesday, May 20, 2020, which was brief. With the loss of the TRO the Sheriff dropped all of the associated legal action. As a matter of record, the Health Department's costs were approximately \$15,000 for the defense. He thanked County Board Chair Sandy Hart, County Administrator Gary Gibson, Assistant County Administrator Jim Hawkins, and Deputy Administrator Cassandra Torstenson, as well as many of the County Board members for their unwavering support of science in not releasing the names of COVID-19 positive patients, which had and continues to have no public health benefit. He also thanked Lake County State's Attorney's Office, Chief, Civil Trial Division, Lisle Stalter, for her guidance throughout, and the Health Department's hired Attorney Gerald "Jud" Deloss for his hard work. Cook County also won its case filed by Northwest Central Dispatch, which the Cook County Board overturned by a 9-7 vote and President Toni Preckwinkle vetoed the Cook County Board action. Cook and Lake Counties and the City of Chicago continue to remain consistent with privacy needs and the concern of no public health benefit if shared. He attended the last NALBOH Board meeting virtually, which was split 50/50 on the matter of the release of private health records.

5. He and Member Carlson attended the United Way of Lake County Advisory Council meeting last week. Discussed was the status of the United Way 2-1-1 program with continued funding and concerns on sustainability with the loss of potential donors, impact during the COVID pandemic, organizational updates, data reports, etc. He thanked Member Carlson and Member Maine, along with the rest of the County Board members for the funding and support.

6. The United Way Premiere Leadership event is usually held in June but due to the pandemic it will now be virtual like many other programs. It will run from June 1-5, 2020, with a special live stream event on June 4, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. He will make sure the Board has information on this important fund-raising effort to sustain 2-1-1. He thanked Hannah Goering, Marketing and Communications Manager, who assisted him in developing a promotional video which will be part of the new 2-1-1 video for this year's campaign.

7. He sent out information related to the grant the United Way received that is one of 26 nonprofits to receive support from AbbVie with their COVID-19 Community Resilience Fund to support vulnerable populations as hard hit communities.

8. He thanked Larry Mackey, Director of Environmental Health, Pam Smith, Food Program Coordinator, and the rest of the team who had their weekend overcome with restaurant issues due to reopening after the COVID-19 shutdown. It took up a lot of their time but the final outcome was voluntary compliance with the current executive order related to restaurant operations.

9. The PHEOC is in early phases of closing down and migrating back to "normal operations" over the next couple of weeks. Many, many thanks to all of the team members, especially Lisa Kritz, Director of Prevention, and Jefferson McMillan-Wilhoit, Director of Health Information and Technology, for their outstanding leadership throughout the process. Also, Jerry Nordstrom, Lorraine Harris, Mike Adam, Sara Zamor, Lea Bacci, and numerous others. We're not out of the woods yet, but getting to the point where the PHEOC structure is no longer necessary.

10. The Waukegan COVID-19 testing site will be moved due to the need to again begin conducting vehicle emissions testing in the facility. It will move on June 1, 2020 within Waukegan, but a definitive site has yet to be announced by the State.

11. County Board Chair Sandy Hart has asked him to be a part of the Lake County Forward Advisory Group. Other members include the President of the Lake County Municipal League, President of Highland Park Hospital, Commanding Officer of Great Lakes, Lake County Chamber of Commerce, Lake County Partners, Walgreen's, Wintrust, AbbVie, Lake County Board and more. There are sixteen agencies in total and the group meets for the first time Thursday, May 28, 2020.

12. The weekly stakeholder calls with the Lake County Municipal League, Lake County Partners and Lake County United continue. Some will move next week to biweekly calls.

13. A thank you letter was received from the Village of Buffalo Grove Village President and the North Chicago Fire Chief for the securing and delivery of PPE.

14. Some top priorities of the County continue to be:

- Prepare next round of adjustments to fiscal year 2020 budget based on current planning assumptions.

- Plan for increased on-site County operations and public access in response to Restore Illinois Phase 3.

- Identify, request, and plan to distribute public assistance, CARES Act grant, and other sources of funding.

- Communicate and address community resources needs, including food, housing, employment, behavioral health, child and youth services, education and schools, and transportation.

- Address issues surrounding return to work and keeping businesses open.

15. Director Mackey emailed an update on the data from the second set of testing done in Phase III of ETO testing which President Sashko then emailed to the Board earlier today for their review. Director Mackey stated that he will have an update at the June 24, 2020 Board of Health meeting as he should have a full data set by that time.

8. Action Items

8.1

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Coronavirus Supplemental Funding (COVID-19), \$103,435 - Zun

Attachments: [HRSA COVID-19 103K](#)

Dr. Zun reviewed the information for this item as provided in the agenda packet.

A motion was made by Member Belmonte, seconded by Member Maine, that this item be approved. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 11 - Member DeVaux R.N., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Maine, President Sashko, Member Carlson, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Rheault Ph.D., Member Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Ehrlich M.D., Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Schultz

Not Present: 1 - Member Cesnovar

8.2

Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) Grant, \$11,650 - Kritz

Attachments: [WIC \\$11K](#)

Lisa Kritz, Director of Prevention, reviewed the information for this item as provided in the agenda packet.

A motion was made by Member Johnson Jones, seconded by Member Belmonte, that this item be approved. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 11 - Member DeVaux R.N., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Maine, President Sashko, Member Carlson, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Rheault Ph.D., Member Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Ehrlich M.D., Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Schultz

Not Present: 1 - Member Cesnovar

8.3

Proposed Revisions to Health Department Employee Policies and Procedures - Hagstrom

Attachments: [Policy Final Versions](#)

Member Hagstrom, Personnel Committee Chair, reviewed the revisions to the policies as presented and discussed during the committee meeting which took place just prior to this regular meeting.

A motion was made by Member Hagstrom, seconded by Member Carlson, that this item be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 11 - Member DeVaux R.N., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Maine, President Sashko, Member Carlson, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Rheault Ph.D., Member Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Ehrlich M.D., Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Schultz

Not Present: 1 - Member Cesnovar

9. Discussion Items

None

10. Attachments for Board Review**10.1**

Media Placement Highlights - Nordstrom

Attachments: [Media Placement Highlights 202004-202005](#)

This matter was presented

11. Lake County Community Health Center Governing Council Update

Executive Director Mark Pfister informed the Board that the Governing Council has continued to meet regularly via Zoom. Council members are concerned about staff as well as the operations of the Health Department due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The new

Council members have been a great addition to the group. President Sashko noted that if the Benedictine students present for this meeting would like additional information on the Governing Council, they can contact him or Mark.

12. Lake County Tuberculosis Board Update

Lisa Kritz informed the Board that she has read articles stating that a rise in TB cases is expected as a byproduct of the COVID-19 pandemic. Measles are also expected to increase as people are forgoing immunizations. Member Maine asked if the expected increase in TB cases is due to people staying quarantined and isolated increasing their chances if a family member has it. Lisa stated she thought it has more to do with the vulnerability of the lungs due to COVID-19, but that she will provide Member Maine with more information. NOTE: Lisa Kritz followed up with Member Maine as the article referenced that the focus on COVID-19 could lead to more TB cases due to disruption of health care services.

13. Added to Agenda Items

None

14. Old Business

None

15. New Business

None

16. Executive Session

None

17. Adjournment

A motion was made by Member Carlson, seconded by Member Hagstrom, that this meeting be adjourned. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Aye: 11 - Member DeVaux R.N., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Maine, President Sashko, Member Carlson, Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D., Member Rheault Ph.D., Member Hagstrom D.D.S., Member Ehrlich M.D., Member Belmonte D.O. and Member Schultz

Not Present: 1 - Member Cesnovar