

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

6:00 PM

3010 Grand Ave., Waukegan, IL

Lake County Board of Health

1. Call to Order

President Sashko called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Members

Present 10 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member-at-Large Maine, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent 2 - Member Cerk and Member Cesnovar

3. Pledge of Allegiance

This matter was presented

4. Public Comment to the Board

None

5. Awards, Recognitions, Appointments and Reappointments**5.1**

Recognition by The City of Highland Park - Sashko, Pfister

Mark Pfister, Executive Director, reviewed the information provided in the agenda packet. He recognized Patti Corn, Scott Robertson, Joe Amaro, Tiffany Etzel, Emergency Management staff, and Lisa Kritz for their great work in assuring residents were getting appropriate care and the care that they needed in the aftermath. He also recognized North Shore Health Center provider Dr. Nagham Al Bana, our current Interim Medical Director, who was at the 4th of July parade and ran under the bullets and into a store out of harms way, and North Shore Health Center staff who treated our physical and behavioral health clients after the tragedy. He noted that City Manager Ghida Neukirch is phenomenal, that the Mayor and the City of Highland Park is a great partner to work with and the Health Department was happy to be there in their time of need.

This matter was presented

6. Presentations

None

7. President's Report

President Sashko recognized retired Board of Health member Steve Carlson for his years of service and his many contributions to the Board of Health and the residents of Lake County.

- Building of the new North Chicago Health Center in 2003, subsequently remodeled in 2022*
- The funding and building of the North Shore Health Center in Highland Park, partnering and fostering relationships with the Friends for Health Care Foundation of Highland Park and the City of Highland Park in 2005*
- The construction of the new Tuberculosis Clinic in Waukegan in 2006*

- *The advancement of technology and the efficiency of our overall operations by moving into an electronic health records environment launching NextGen EMR in 2007 and still used to this day*
- *The complete design and building of our flagship location and headquarters and medical facilities on the 3010 Grand Avenue Campus in 2008*
- *The funding and construction of the renovation of our Midlakes medical facility in 2010*
- *Assisting, guiding and participating in the first ever Accreditation of the Lake County Health Department as a Public Health Accredited Agency in 2016*
- *The strategic support, vision and dedication to the 2016 – 2021 Illinois Project for Local Assessment of Needs (IPLAN)*
- *The funding and construction of the new Zion Health Center in 2017*
- *The redesign, with a focus on a patient centered medical home with respect and care for our patients, of our 3010 Grand Avenue Facility in 2019*

Steve thanked everyone for their kind words and stated it was an honor to be on the Board of Health serving the best community health center, the best health department in the state, and the best people in the state.

This matter was presented

8. Consent Agenda

8.1

March 22, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [BOH MInutes 3.22.23 - DRAFT](#)

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the minutes of April 26, 2023.

Motion by Member Belmonte, second by Member Johnson Jones. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Aye: 10 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member-at-Large Maine, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member Cerk and Member Cesnovar

9. Regular Agenda

9.1

Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) Regional Substance Use Prevention Integration Center (RSUP), \$95,644.00 - Grant Approval - Kritz

Attachments: [IDHS Regional Substance Use Prevention Integration Center](#)

Lisa Kritz, Director of Prevention, reviewed the information provided in the agenda packet. Mark added that this is the first installment of this grant for the State fiscal year, remaining installments will be brought to the Board as they are received, making the total award amount approximately \$750,000.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the IDHS RSUP grant funding and

emergency appropriation as presented. Motion by Member DeVaux, second by Member Belmonte. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 10 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member-at-Large Maine, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member Cerk and Member Cesnovar

9.2

National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) Reducing Overdose Through Community Approaches (ROCA) Mentee Program, \$87,750.00 - Grant Approval - Kritz

Attachments: [NACCHO ROCA](#)

Lisa Kritz reviewed the information provided in the agenda packet.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the NACCHO ROCA grant funding and emergency appropriation as presented. Motion by Member Larson, second by Member DeVaux. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 10 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member-at-Large Maine, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member Cerk and Member Cesnovar

9.3

Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) HIV Self-Testing, \$75,000.00 - Grant Approval - Kritz

Attachments: [HIV Self-Testing](#)

Lisa Kritz reviewed the information provided in the agenda packet. President Sashko asked if this is a self-test kit similar to a COVID home test. Lisa said it is and that part of the funding is for the kits and for a staff person to mail them out. Mark added that at the HCS committee meeting yesterday Member Maine asked how individuals will know when to test and that will be part of the campaign education and materials provided by staff. President Sashko asked if there is a finite number as far as patient load. Mark explained that LCHD/CHC will be providing the tests, funding is also provided for a temporary contract employee and social media messaging. Member DeVaux asked if individuals who test positive will come to the Health Department for treatment. Mark explained that all Lake County residents who test positive for HIV are reported to the Health Department's STI program and staff are ensuring those individuals are in care. The STI program has been practicing 90/90/90 to have at least 90% of our population that may have HIV know they have it; 90% of those that know their status are receiving treatment; and 90% of those receiving treatment have a viral load of undetectable.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the IDPH HIV Self-Testing funding and emergency appropriation as presented. Motion by Member Maine, second by Member Johnson Jones. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 10 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member-at-Large Maine, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member Cerk and Member Cesnovar

9.4

Exterior Painting Belvidere Medical Building (BMB) Bid #23050 - Nordstrom

Attachments: [BMB Painting Vendor Disclosure LCH](#)

Efren Heredia, Materials Manager, reviewed the information provided in the agenda packet.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the award of contract as presented. Motion by Member Hagstrom, second by Member Parekh. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 10 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member-at-Large Maine, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member Cerk and Member Cesnovar

9.5

FY2024 Proposed Budget Timetable - Riley

Attachments: [FY24 Proposed Budget Timetable](#)

Pam Riley, Director of Finance, reviewed the information provided in the agenda packet. President Sashko reminded the Board that the Board's Budget Committee is Chaired by Dr. Ehrlich, Vice Chair Dr. Johnson Jones, Member DeVaux, Dr. Larson, and Member Parekh.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve and adopt the budget timetable as presented. Motion by Member Ehrlich, second by Member DeVaux. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Aye: 10 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member-at-Large Maine, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member Cerk and Member Cesnovar

9.6

Proposed Revisions to Health Department Employee Policies - Hagstrom

Attachments: [Customer Service - REDLINE & FINAL](#)
[Leave of Absence - REDLINE & FINAL](#)
[Outside Employment - REDLINE & FINAL](#)

Personnel Committee Chair Hagstrom informed the Board that the committee met just prior to this regular meeting to review proposed changes to employee policies. He noted that the Leave of Absence policy was pulled from the agenda by Lorraine Harris, Human Resources Director, as it requires legal counsel review. Therefore, the committee recommends approval of the changes to the two remaining policies, Customer Service and Outside Employment.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the changes to the two policies as presented. Motion by Member Hagstrom, second by Member DeVaux. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Aye: 10 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member-at-Large Maine, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member Cerk and Member Cesnovar

9.7

Provider Appointments and Reappointments - Maine

Credentialing Committee Chair Maine informed the Board that the committee met just prior to this regular meeting to review the appointment of one pediatrician and the reappointment of three dentists and the committee recommends approval.

President Sashko called for a motion to approve the provider appointment and reappointments as presented. Motion by Member Maine, second by Member Larson. Voice vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Aye: 10 - President Sashko, Vice President Ehrlich M.D., Secretary DeVaux, Member-at-Large Hagstrom D.D.S., Member-at-Large Maine, Member Belmonte D.O., Member Johnson Jones Ed.D., Member Larson Ph.D., Member Parekh and Member Mittl Pollina Psy.D.

Absent: 2 - Member Cerk and Member Cesnovar

10. Discussion Items

None

11. Attachments for Board Review

11.1

Media Placement Highlights - Nordstrom

Attachments: [Media Placement Highlights 202303 \(2\)](#)

This matter was presented

12. Lake County Community Health Center Governing Council Update

Mark informed the Board a consultant is being hired with HRSA ARPA funds to do a deep dive on the transition to value-based care. The RFP for that is out and a committee has been formed to start reviewing the proposals as they come in. He reminded that Board that the first part of this process was done by the consultant HMA who looked at management

structure, organization, and job descriptions. Reorganization based on HMA's recommendations has been done and it is going extremely well. We are already seeing the benefit of those changes in our outcomes, what we are measuring, and in trying new and innovative approaches.

13. Lake County Tuberculosis Board Update

No update.

14. Added to Agenda Items

None

15. Old Business

None

16. New Business

None

17. Executive Session

None

18. Adjournment

President Sashko adjourned the meeting at 6:39 p.m.