

Board of Health AGENDA

A Board of Health meeting will be held **Wednesday**, **April 24**, **2024**, at **12:00 PM** in the **THIRD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM C**, at the Health Department, **101 W**. **9th St**.

(Lunch for Board Members will be served at 11:30 a.m.)

- A. 12:00 12:01 PM Call to Order and Approval / Changes to Agenda (Action Required)
- B. 12:01 12:02 PM Approval of Board of Health Meeting Minutes held Mar. 27, 2024 (Action Required)
- C. 12:02 12:05 PM Public Forum
- D. 12:05 12:15 PM Budget and Finance
 - Monthly Financial Report March 2024 (Action Required)
 - Contracts (Action Required)
- E. 12:15 12:35 PM Fee Analysis: Temporary Events (**Action Required**)
- F. 12:35 12:50 PM BOH Updates/ Reports
 - Director's Report
 - · Legislative Updates

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Pueblo Board of Health Meeting Minutes March 27, 2024

The Pueblo Board of Health meeting was held at the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment (PDPHE) building at 101 W 9th St.

Board Members Present:

Donald Moore, Board President Zsuzsa Glasscock, Vice President Ed Brown, Board Member Eileen Dennis, Board Member

Legal Counsel:

Marci Day, Assistant County Attorney

Administrative Staff Present:

Randy Evetts, Public Health Director
Katie Davis, Deputy Director
Chad Wolgram, Environmental Health (EH) Director
Shylo Dennison, Community Engagement, Prevention, and Response (CEPR) Director
Denise DeNardo, Human Resources Manager
Jonathan Hontz, Administrative Assistant

Other Staff Members Present:

Christina Hopewell, Program Manager Scott Cowan, Program Manager Alicia Solis, Program Manager Trysten Garcia, Public Information Officer

Guests:

Emily Mulvihill, professor, CSUP Eva Cosyleon, PACOG

Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Eileen Dennis, seconded by Ed Brown, to approve the Mar. 27, 2024, Board of Health meeting agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Approval of Minutes

Donald Moore asked the Board for revisions to the minutes. There were none.

MOVED by Ed Brown, seconded by Eileen Dennis, to approve the Feb. 28, 2024 BOH meeting minutes as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Forum

There were no requests for public comment.

Announce Public Health Champion for 2024

Randy Evetts announced that the Public Health Champion for 2024 is Eva Cosyleon. Eva has been heavily involved in many Public Health initiatives over the years and is currently the chair of the Communities that Care (CTC) program. Her many achievements to improve the community, including active transportation projects and work as PACOG NPO Manager have led to her selection for this award. The Board thanked Eva for her contributions and congratulated her.

Academic Health Partnership Presentation

Shylo Dennison and professor Emily Mulvihill of CSUP gave a presentation about the ongoing academic health partnership with PDPHE. Beginning in 2011, this formal partnership is one of the first of its kind in Colorado. The partnership has led to the contributions of students/interns being part of community programs like the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) and Community Health Assessment (CHA). Changes to CSUP curriculum have occurred as PDPHE shares the important skills and tasks necessary for current and future work. A copy of the presentation is attached at the end of these minutes.

Randy Evetts added that while this is directly beneficial to PDPHE, there is also a regional benefit by providing students with regionally-relevant public health skills. Eileen Dennis was glad that the presentation mentioned attention to early-childhood programs, an area she feels needs support in Pueblo. Zsuzsa Glasscock asked about the Millennial substance use study. Shylo answered that the study has had to adjust to some changing conditions and participants, but that the goal is to try to understand the root causes of higher-than-normal substance use among the Millennial cohort and address those. Zsuzsa also asked about whether Pueblo has a DARE program, and Shylo answered that the DARE approach has been shown to be ineffective in many areas and therefore is no longer a program in Pueblo. Ed Brown asked if the parents were being involved, but Shylo answered that Millennials are largely in the 30-39 age bracket and the parents are not much of a factor. Donald Moore asked about the positions that could be filled via this partnership, and Shylo answered that there are Data, Environmental Health, Nursing, and Communications positions that have already been filled by graduates/interns or could be.

Budget and Finance

Monthly Financial Reports

PDPHE Director Randy Evetts presented financial reports for February 2024. Revenue shows higher this period due to beginning-of-year billing for licenses and fees, the costs of which will be spread across the year. The balance sheet also shows that our 85-day reserve amount has been reduced, which is a reflection of our reduced overall budget.

MOVED by Ed Brown, seconded by Zsuzsa Glasscock, to accept the February 2024 financial reports as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Fee Analyses

EH Director Chad Wolgram presented information regarding a proposed adjustment to some of PDPHE's fees. These analyses are primarily to ensure that programs come as close as possible to covering their operating costs. BFO looks at about nine different areas to measure the total costs and revenues associated with these fees:

- Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS): Transfer of Title and Development Fees
 - Any time a property with OWTS is sold or changes hands, a review process is triggered to ensure that the system is compliant and functioning properly.
 - New subdivision construction that features OWTS must also be reviewed for compliance and functionality.
 - Recommending the following fee changes to go into effect June 1, 2024:
 - Increase in Transfer of Title Application fee from \$80 to \$95 (18.75%)
 - Increase in Transfer of Title Inspection fee from \$300 to \$315 (5.00%)
 - Increase in Planning & Development Action fee from \$215 to \$235 (9.30%)
 - Increase in Subdivision (2-10 Lots) Preliminary Plan Review fee from \$225 to \$240 (6.67%)
 - Increase in Subdivision (11-30 Lots) Preliminary Plan Review fee from \$450 to \$485 (7.78%)
 - Onald Moore asked if these increases would cover the costs of the program. Chad answered that they will. Donald also remarked that these increases do not go above our costs. Chad agreed that the goal was not to generate revenue, but simply to cover our costs for the program. Donald also asked when PDPHE last raised these fees. Chad reported that these fees were modestly increased last year. Our costs have increased due to staff salary increases.

MOVED by Eileen Dennis, seconded by Ed Brown, to accept the proposed fee increases as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Contracts

Information on Other Contracts or Funding: No BOH Action Required

COVID-19 Detection and Mitigation Program – 3/05/24 – 6/30/24: \$50,000

This contract is between CDPHE and PDPHE. This program provides assistance to confinement facilities in establishing and implementing diagnostic and/or screening testing programs for residents, staff and visitors. No additional personnel are required. No BOH action or legal review is required because the agreement is a Purchase Order which does not require a signature to execute. (PO,FHCA,202400008677)

Donald Moore asked about the workplan for the COVID Detection and Mitigation contract with CDPHE. Randy clarified that this contract was in response to a lack of funding for detention centers and congregate settings to do this testing. These funds will be used to assist in those testing and mitigation efforts. Donald asked if this will allow us to cover our costs. Alicia Solis clarified that the money will cover time spent on this project for one CD specialist and our EPR generalist.

Public Heath Director's Report

- Katie Davis began with legislative updates:
 - Largest change to CALPHO support positions involve environmental health air quality issues. Support varies by locality, rural vs. urban, etc.
 - The long bill has been drafted with \$11 million approved for LPHAs. This
 represents an increase of \$1 million for all LPHAs. This bill has not been
 finalized.
 - \$25 million in funding will be available for bills in the House and Senate, a significant reduction over the previous years due to the ending of COVID funding.
 - State per capita funding hasn't been approved yet.
- Randy Evetts announced that there will be a CHA open house on April 5th, 11:00 AM 4 PM, and that a Westside Neighborhood Cleanup will take place on April 20th.

Board President Donald Moore adjourned the Board of Health meeting at 12:45 PM.

Next BOH Meeting

Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at 12:00 noon.

Donald Moore, Board of Health President

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Randy Evetts, MPA, Public Health Director

Submitted by Jonathan Hontz Administrative Assistant



Academic Health Partnership CSU-Pueblo and PDPHE

Shylo Dennison and Emily Mulvihill | March 27, 2024









What it is

- Formal affiliation of a health department and an academic institution
 - Strengthen links between public health practice and academia
 - Lessen separation between education of public health professionals and practice of public health
- Can serve as sites for joint education, research, and practice, enabling practice and academic communities to:
 - Work together to develop current and future public health workforce
 - Build evidence base for public health
 - Better deliver the Essential Public Health Services

<u>Pueblo Goal</u>: Increase and formalize relationship between PDPHE and CSUP to maximize resources, streamline collaboration, and enhance the public health workforce by creating new opportunities for students.







Other examples

- Public Health Foundation brings together other partnerships for peer learning and support
- Not many formal partnerships in Colorado until recently with CO School of Public Health (CSPH)

Academic Health Department (AHD) Partnerships and AHD Learning Community Members





Successes from other partnerships

- CSPH and CDPHE: partnered on COVID-19 predictive data modeling
- Joint funding applications for research and projects
- Program evaluation
- Joint research on important topics (reproductive health, barriers to care, evidence-based programming)
- Student placements capacity support for PH and real-world experience for student
- Workforce training for PH from academic institution





Pueblo's why?

Benefits to CSU Pueblo

- Meet institutional vision of impacting society, engaging place, and transformative learning
- Support transformative learning and developing people through high quality internship placement at PDPHE
- Increase collaborative research, evaluation and service opportunities for faculty and staff in the community
- Enhance academic curriculum

Benefits to PDPHE

- Enhance capacity to address community health needs
- Support recruitment of qualified professionals
- Meet accreditation standards
- Address gaps in clinical services
- Enhance evaluation of current efforts and programming to determine impact







Accomplishments so far

- Two symposiums for networking and collaboration
- Jointly submitted research project for IRB review
- CHIP partnership
 - Joint training
 - Implemented ACEs training into curriculum and school programs

- Internships
 - Agreement to cover entire university Three years
 - Building relationships with new areas at CSUP
- CHA
 - Student support
 - Evaluation
 - Professor support for data analysis









Next planned projects

- HKCS data analysis
- Data
 - Development of factsheets/briefs
 - Supporting creation/distribution of surveys
 - Analysis and visualization
- Environmental Health
 - Community survey and research into best practices for solid waste reduction

- Expand internships
 - Political science
 - Communications
 - Others



Where are we going?

- Advisory Committee
- MOU to formalize
- Focus areas:
 - Research
 - Collaboration coalitions, special projects, etc.
 - Guest lecturing
 - Internships/practicums/student experiences
 - On-going training and education for workforce gaps
 - Data Support
- Expand to include PCC









Anticipated impacts

- Added capacity from students and professors
- Access to expertise
- Access to resources
 - Journals
 - Technology
 - Joint funding
- Increased recruitment for qualified workforce



Thank you!

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