



MEETING MINUTES


Board of Health
March 11, 2019

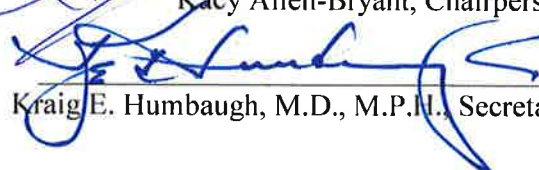
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kacy Allen-Bryant called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Attendance	<p>MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Allen-Bryant, Ms. Blevins-Booth, Dr. Dossett, Commissioner Ford, Mr. Friesen, Dr. Jasinski, Dr. Majmundar, Ms. Mason, Dr. Zimmerman.</p> <p>OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Humbaugh, Health Department Staff, LFCHD Council.</p>
Approval of the January 14 and February 11, 2019 Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Zimmerman made a motion to approve the January 14, 2019 Board of Health (BOH) meeting minutes. Dr. Majmundar seconded the motion. The motion passed. Ms. Mason made a motion to approve the February 11, 2019 BOH meeting minutes. Dr. Majmundar seconded the motion. The motion passed.
Dr. Rice C. Leach Public Health Hero Nomination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Allen-Bryant made a motion on behalf of the BOH Executive Committee to award Mark Johnson the 2019 Dr. Rice C. Leach Public Health Hero award. Dr. Zimmerman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
SpeakUp Compliance Line Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Michelle Donaghy presented on the <i>SpeakUp</i> employee reporting service. <i>SpeakUp</i> is an anonymous reporting service employees can use to report suspected wrongdoing or breaches of conduct in the workplace. A review team receives the report with read-only access. A subgroup has administrator privileges and submits responses on behalf of the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department (LFCHD). The submitter receives a case ID number so they may receive responses from LFCHD anonymously. M. Donaghy detailed membership of the review team. M. Donaghy and Katrina Howard are the administrators. Two board members and five LFCHD staff have read-only access. Dr. Dossett volunteered to serve as the second BOH member on the review team. <i>SpeakUp</i> categorizes reports, so we are able to identify trends. M. Donaghy shared trends from 2012 to 2016. Overall, the number of reports are down. Issues related to fairness are the most common report. Mr. Friesen asked about the cost of the service. M. Donaghy said it was less than 10K per contract. K. Allen-Bryant said there were more reports during the time <i>HealthFirst Bluegrass</i> was also at the North location, but that was tied to the higher number of employees we had at that time. Dr. Majmundar said she was impressed with the service and appreciated the communication opportunities it provides.
Commissioner's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Humbaugh said there are several bills being considered during this legislative session that are of interest to those working in public health,

including House and Senate bills about licensing midwives, medical marijuana, tobacco-free schools, emergency medicine dispensing by pharmacists, HIV reporting and treatment referrals, and an investigation into the response by public health officials to the hepatitis A outbreak.

- We are awaiting appointment of a new councilmember to the BOH. In addition, several members have terms ending in June, 2019. L. Foley can assist members in applying for a new term.
- The elevator will be inspected this week. The roof at South is nearly complete, though rain over the weekend has delayed the project.
- Senior staff recently reviewed a security assessment and met to determine security and safety priorities.
- Dr. Humbaugh said Katrina Howard had been scheduled to present trends in incident reporting over the past four-years at this meeting. Since she was not available tonight, Dr. Humbaugh presented some data which show an average of 35 reports each year, the majority of which are trips, falls, and slips. There have also been potential bloodborne pathogen exposure incidents, such as needle sticks. There have been more reports recently, but this may be partly due to the increased education of the importance of submitting reports and reminders on the reporting process. K. Howard will share this data with the safety committee and seek their recommendations. Dr. Majmundar asked if there have been incidents associated with the Needle Exchange Program (NEP). Dr. Humbaugh said we have had instances of people injecting in the parking lot and overdoses that required emergency response. L. Mason asked if there have been disgruntled participants. Dr. Humbaugh said there have been a few instances, but the issues were resolved.
- We continue to monitor hepatitis A cases in the county. The state is experiencing the largest hepatitis A outbreak ever recorded in the United States. It looks like cases peaked in Fayette County in November, and the number has been decreasing since then. We continue to offer vaccinations to those sharing a household with a person with hepatitis A, as well as to high-risk populations and local businesses who wish to have their employees vaccinated.
- We are monitoring a traveler who had been in a region of the Congo experiencing an Ebola outbreak. The traveler is self-monitoring and reporting to LFCHD twice daily throughout the twenty-one day monitoring period. If concerning symptoms were to arise, the traveler would be safely transported to UK Hospital. If Ebola infection were diagnosed, the patient would be sent to Emory Hospital in Atlanta for treatment. Dr. Majmundar asked how the department is informed of returning travelers. Dr. Humbaugh said federal agencies inform the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), who inform the Kentucky Department for Public Health (DPH), who also keep LFCHD informed.
- We have had a case of pertussis in a Fayette County Public School. Pertussis is endemic in the Commonwealth.
- Commissioner Ford and his staff have received a grant to help provide naloxone kits for the Needle Exchange Program.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The mural project is underway. LexARTS is facilitating the process and is seeking ideas from local artists. • Twenty-five vouchers were redeemed for the Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program. • LFCHD submitted our bid for the new school health contract. We will be interviewed about our bid tomorrow.
Finance Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cara Kay presented the Finance Report. • Revenues continue above plan and expenses continue below plan. Capital expenses for ongoing projects are being disbursed. • Our budget still plans for a loss of 4.2M over the next five months, although, in recent years, we have ended the fiscal year ahead of plan. We also anticipate ending with 14M in cash reserves. • We continue to monitor bills currently under consideration in the legislature that may change our pension contribution rate, which is currently on track to increase to more than 84% next year. One of the bills currently includes a buy-out option for universities, but not at this time for quasi-governmental organizations like our department.
Executive Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K. Allen-Bryant said L. Foley will send links to BOH members whose terms are ending soon to apply for an additional term. She encouraged everyone to continue on the board and said public health is a broad topic and it benefits the board to have members from a variety of professions and backgrounds continue serving and learning about public health.
Marketing and Branding Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report.
Nominating/Bylaws Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report.
Program Outcomes/Evaluation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report.
Policy/Protocol Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report.
Communications Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A digital copy of the monthly communications report was provided to board members vial email prior to the meeting.
Open Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L. Mason presented a question about board attendance. K. Allen-Bryant said the Executive Committee would discuss board attendance at the next meeting and would report back to the full board. • Lexington Community Radio has submitted a proposal to continue our partnership. We will review the proposal after the legislative session has ended.
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K. Allen-Bryant asked for a motion to adjourn. Dr. Zimmerman moved to adjourn. Mr. Friesen seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.


 Kacy Allen-Bryant, Chairperson


 Kraig E. Humbaugh, M.D., M.P.H., Secretary