



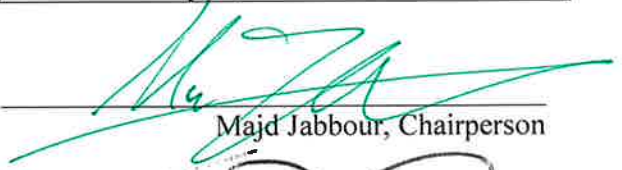
MEETING MINUTES

Board of Health Meeting
650 Newtown Pike
March 10, 2025
5:45 p.m.


ATTENDANCE	<p>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioner Kacy Allen-Bryant, Dr. Maria Gomez, Mr. Majd Jabbour, Dr. Rodney Jackson, Dr. Christine Ko, Dr. Leah Mason, Dr. Elizabeth Riley, and Dr. Basel Touchan.</p> <p>OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Steve Davis, legal counsel, LFCHD Staff.</p>
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jabbour called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
Roll Call	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Foley called the roll. Attendance was as recorded above. Drs. Dossett, Feld, and Hood and Councilmember Reynolds were excused.
Request for Approval: February 10, 2025 Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The February 10, 2025 Board of Health (BOH) meeting minutes were considered. Commissioner Allen-Bryant made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The minutes were approved.
A Day in the Life of a Facilities Team Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Candice Johnson, Lexington-Fayette County Health Department (LFCHD) Facilities Coordinator, presented a “day in the life” of a facilities team member. She joined the LFCHD in 2019. She enjoys serving on the team and noted that no two days are the same. The team includes four members, who enjoy working together under the guidance of their team leader and officer. Her day starts with checking for new requests for assistance, reviewing the calendar, and meeting as a team to review the prior day’s work and to plan for the day. In the morning, she inspects the building and grounds, completes routine maintenance, and addresses any issues that arise. In the afternoon, she also posts outgoing mail and sort and distributes incoming mail. The team also completes room setup for a variety of meetings and activities. One of her favorite memories is working as a team to refurbish the picnic table. They enjoyed making the table very nice while enjoying each other’s company. She said facilities help LFCHD operate every day by maintaining a safe, clean, and comfortable environment. They also step up to play key roles in completing major projects, including the current building renovations. She thanked the board, the community, and LFCHD staff for their support of the LFCHD Facilities team.
Interim Commissioner of Health (COH) Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Davis said introduced a viewing of the health improvement plan video shown recently at the Lex-CHIP meeting. Jeanette Hart and Christy Nentwick will be presenting on PhotoVoice at the National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO) conference. Commissioner Allen-Bryant asked if the information would be shared with the city

	<p>council. Dr. Davis asked board members to review the seven officer division reports. He thanked Chairman Jabbour for sharing about the “Advancing Kentucky Health Network”—Dr. Davis will be meeting with the University of Kentucky regarding it. The recent white powder incident was investigated and resolved with no issues. A measles patient from another county is in one of our local health facilities. He presented candidates for the merit counsel, which we hope to restart in the next few months. Dr. Davis presented a slate of candidates. Commissioner Allen-Bryant made a motion to appoint the candidates. Dr. Mason seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The candidates were appointed to the forthcoming merit council. Dr. Davis said we are keeping a close eye on federal executive orders. He said Secretary Kennedy may end up being public health’s best friend. He reviewed current and forthcoming BOH vacancies. Dr. Ko kindly offered to assist in promoting the opportunity for physicians to join the board with the Lexington Medical Society (LMS), for whom she is President-Elect. Dr. Davis said Laura Foley has been elected as President-Elect of the Kentucky Public Health Association (KPHA) and will begin her term at the KPHA conference later in March.</p>
Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive: Mr. Jabbour reported Dr. Davis covered committee topics in the interim COH report. • Finance: Cara Kay reported finances for January 2025. We saw a \$2.59M surplus on a budgeted surplus of \$2.63M. Revenues were 91% of plan, while expenses were 89% of plan. She said we have started receiving reimbursements from the state for the building project. Cash and investments totaled \$46.11M, compared to \$44.62M this time last year. Unrestricted cash investments in treasuries and CDs totaled \$27.37M. The LFCHD \$61M pension liability is not reflected in these numbers. She said we are starting on clinic renovations this week and that the HVAC in clinic will be replaced at a cost of \$500K and we will also install a dry sprinkler system in our server room. There are also potential projects for HealthFirst dental clinic area and in the RCL community room. • Marketing and Branding: Dr. Gomez shared two nominees for the Dr. Rice C. Leach Public Health Hero Award. There are two candidates being put forward. She noted, over the last 21 years, there have been eleven years with two winners and some years with three winners. Dr. Gomez shared selection criteria and made a motion for the board to move to approve the two selected candidates for the award. The nominees are Dr. El-Amin and Dr. Lindsey Jasinski. Dr. Mason seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Jabbour congratulated both winners, noting they are well-deserving of the award. • Nominating and Bylaws: Dr. Mason noted Mr. Jabbour requested she serve as chair of this committee when Dr. Feld’s term ends in June. • Policy and Protocol: No report. • Program Outcomes and Evaluation: No Report. • Ad Hoc Search: Mr. Jabbour reported we are in the interview process and are reaching the end of the process.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Mason moved the board go into closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1)(f) for discussion which may lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual, specifically the position of Commissioner of Health, pursuant to KRS 212.635(3). Non-member Jason Ams will attend to provide legal advice on the topic to be discussed. to discussion which may lead to appointment, Jason Ams. Dr. Jackson seconded the motion. The board entered closed session at 7:08 p.m. The board exited closed session at 8:23 p.m. No action was taken.
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Jabbour opened the floor for public comments. None were presented.
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Jabbour requested a motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



 Majd Jabbour, Chairperson



 Steve Davis, Interim Secretary