

MEETING MINUTES

Board of Health Meeting 650 Newtown Pike June 9, 2025 5:45 p.m.

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| ATTENDANCE | BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioner Kacy Allen-Bryant, Dr. Dossett, Dr. Feld, Dr. Maria Gomez, Dr. Hood, Mr. Majd Jabbour, Dr. Rodney Jackson, Dr. Christine Ko, Councilmember Reynolds, and Dr. Elizabeth Riley. OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Steve Davis, legal counsel, LFCHD Staff. |
| ТОРІС | DISCUSSION |
| Call to Order | • Dr. Mason called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. |
| Roll Call | • Ms. Foley called the roll. Drs. Mason and Touchan was excused. Attendance was as recorded above. |
| Request for Approval: May 12, 2025 Minutes | The May 12, 2025 Board of Health (BOH) meeting minutes were considered. Dr. Hood made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The minutes were approved. Mr. Jabbour celebrated BOH members whose terms end June 30, 2025 and who are not renewing. Drs. Feld, Dossett, and Hood were presented plaques in honor of their years of outstanding service on the Board of Health. Members expressed deep appreciation to each of them. |
| A Day in the Life of a Tuberculosis (TB) Nurse | Emily Stumbo, Lexington-Fayette County Health Department (LFCHD) Tuberculosis (TB) Nurse, presented a "day in the life" of an LFCHD TB nurse. She joined LFCHD in March of 2025. She became a TB nurse because it is a challenge. She spent most of her eleven years of nursing in a hospital at bedside, often with substance use disorder patients. She is now a nurse TB case manager. An average day includes meeting with TB patients receiving medication, drawing labs and collecting sputum samples, and scheduling appointments. She also maintains a TB surveillance spreadsheet, which currently includes around 180 patients. Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) patients are supported daily, including some medication-taking being verified on video. She shared one of her favorite things is when she is able to inform a patient that they have just completed their final dose of medication, many after weeks of seeing them five-days per week. The TB program is complex and challenging. The TB and clinic nurses work together like a well-oiled machine. The TB team appreciates the support of the Board of Health, co-workers, and the community. |
| Interim Commissioner of Health Report | Dr. Davis shared an interim Commissioner of Health report. Post-COVID immunization rates have dropped significantly. There is concern there could be a nation-wide measles outbreak. Kentucky had been among the best in the country for immunization previously. We have a couple of legionella infections. Our van is going to be at the Pride Festival and in the community. We are offering student mentorships. We are meeting with CM Reynolds to |

| | discuss gun violence. We think those insured by Medicaid may be affected by the federal Medicaid budget. Laura Foley provided an update on board membership. The Merit Council is now in place, after not meeting since 2022. They will begin by reviewing three appeals from dismissed employees. Dr. Miller starts on June 23. There will be a reception for her on Wednesday, June 25. All board members are invited to attend. Dr. Miller has asked Laura Foley to organize meetings with each employee of the health department. Dr. Davis thanked the LFCHD officers. He said anything we've accomplished is because of them. |
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| Committee Reports | Executive: Mr. Jabbour reported Dr. Davis covered committee topics in his report. Finance: Cara Kay reported for April 2025. We saw a \$3.08M surplus on a budgeted surplus of \$918K. Revenues were 110% of plan, while expenses were 100% of plan. Cash and investments totaled \$46.50M, compared to \$42.30 this time last year. Unrestricted cash investments in treasuries and CDs totaled \$27.83M. The LFCHD \$61M pension liability is not reflected in these numbers. First floor renovations will include a new HVAC system and roof. Projects are on the books are on schedule to be completed by October. She provided an overview of the FY26 budget. Comparing FY25 to FY26 results in a deficit of \$2.63M. Salary increases were capped at 20%, even if the salary data showed they should receive a 35% increase. Dr. Riley shared a motion from the finance committee to approve the FY26 budget. The full Board of Health voted unanimously to approve the FY26 budget. Marketing and Branding: Jessica Cobb presented a presentation, not on the agenda, on the recent LFCHD Health Fair. There were 48 vendors. 130 people attended and completed the survey. Three vendors provided health services. There were activities, including raffles, yoga, and the Kroger mobile market. We promoted the event through a variety of venues, including media and newsletters. Ms. Cobb thanked Coreise Johnson and other LFCHD staff for their good work in preparing this event. Dr. Ko said it was a fantastic event. She encouraged us to continue to expand this outreach. Dr. Gomez said we plan to continue offering health fairs on an annual basis. Nominating and Bylaws: Dr. Feld reported recommendations for BOH officers for FY26. Commissioner Allen-Bryant made a motion that Mr. Jabbour stay as chair and Dr. Mason stay on as co-chair. Dr. Hood seconded the motion. The motion passed. Committee assignments were not reviewed. Policy and Protocol: No report. Program Outcomes and Evaluation: Dr. Dossett reported the committee met again last w |
| Public Comment | the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The board entered closed session at 7:09 p.m. and exited closed session at 7:38 p.m. CM Reynolds made a motion to accept the contract to appoint Crystal Miller as the next Commissioner of Health. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Jabbour opened the floor for public comments. None were presented. |
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| Adjournment | • Mr. Jabbour requested a motion to adjourn. Dr. Jackson made a motion to adjourn. Dr. Hood seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The |
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| | meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m. |

Majd Jabbour, Chairperson

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