

Iroquois County Public Health Department Board of Health (BOH) 1001 E. Grant Watseka, IL 60970 January 5, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Michelle Fairley, President Dr. Philip Zumwalt, Vice-President Mrs. Lisa Breymeyer, Secretary Dr. Aravind Reddy- via phone

Dr. Rodney Yergler

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ms. Susie Legan Mrs. Barbara Offill Dr. James Tungate

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Dee Ann Schippert, ICPHD Mrs. Taylor Eades, ICPHD Mr. Eric Ceci, ICPHD

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Dr. Zumwalt, Vice-President called the Iroquois County Public Health Department Board of Health meeting to order at 6:05 PM on Wednesday, January 5, 2022, in the Iroquois County Administrative Center board room. Roll call was taken.

APPROVE AGENDA: Mrs. Breymeyer made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion seconded by Dr. Zumwalt and approved by voice vote.

DISCUSS AND APPROVAL OF IROQUOIS COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH POLICY FOR MEETING ATTENDANCE: Discussion was held regarding member attendance requirements for Board of Health meetings. Mrs. Schippert informed the board that she spoke with Iroquois County States Attorney, Jim Devine, who informed her that members could attend via electronic communication and vote within the meeting. Members must be identified as present via electronic communication during the meeting. Mrs. Breymeyer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Yergler to amend the Iroquois County Board of Health meeting attendance policy to allow members to attend, be counted in quorums, and vote in Board of Health Meetings via telephone. Motion approved by voice vote with no oppositions.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR DECEMBER 2021: A claims listing for December 2021 was distributed for review and approval. The board discussed supplies for individuals isolated or quarantined due to COVID-19 as well as people over the age of 60 through the Emergency Senior Services Grant. Discussion was held regarding an individual receiving transportation services for dialysis treatments through the Emergency Senior Services Grant. Dr. Reddy informed Mrs. Schippert that this individual should be eligible for paid transportation services through Medicaid or Medicare, Mrs. Schippert said she would inform the Senior Services department. Discussion was held regarding December 2021 Claims. Dr. Yergler moved to approve the claims for December 2021 as presented. Motion seconded by Mrs. Breymeyer. approved by roll call vote: Aye- Michelle Fairley, Dr. Zumwalt, Lisa Breymeyer, Dr. Reddy (via phone), Dr. Yergler. Absent- Susie Legan, Barbara Offill, Dr. Tungate. A copy of ICPHD's cash balance as of January 5, 2022, was distributed for review.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 3, 2021 BOH MEETING MINUTES: A copy of the November 3, 2021 Board of Health meeting minutes was distributed for review and approval. Mrs. Breymeyer made a motion to approve the November 3, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Dr. Yergler and approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 8, 2021 BOH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES: A copy of the December 8, 2021 Board of Health Finance Committee meeting minutes were distributed for review and approval. Mrs. Breymeyer made a motion to approve the December 8, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Dr. Zumwalt and approved by voice vote.

ICPHD ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

a. Pandemic Update- Mrs. Schippert informed the board of current COVID-19 statistics for Iroquois County. Discussion was held regarding Iroquois County COVID-19 activities including mitigation, response, testing, and reporting. Discussion was held regarding public misinformation regarding COVID-19 and COVID-19 vaccines.

- b. Grants and Contracts Update- A copy of the ICPHD grants and contracts list through December 2021 was distributed for review. The COVID-19 Contact Tracing Grant has been extended to March 2022. A new grant is coming out that will replace the COVID-19 Contact Tracing Grant and will be active from January 1, 2022-December 31, 2022. Additionally, the COVID-19 Crisis Grant has been released and is intended for local health department staff retention. Discussion was held regarding ICPHD grants and contracts.
- c. <u>ICPHD Programs Update</u>- A copy of the ICPHD's summary report of programs for Fiscal Year 2021 as well as December 2021 was distributed for review. The board discussed the opioid issue in Iroquois County and access to treatment. Discussion was held regarding ICPHD reportable programs.
- d. <u>Administrator Comments-</u> The board discussed Illinois Senate Bill 643 proposing that during a pandemic, local health departments report to the Illinois Department of Public Health. IAPHA and IPHA plan to address their concerns with the senators sponsoring Illinois Senate Bill 643.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – **5 ILCS 120/2(c):** The Appointment, Employment, or Compensation of Public Employees: A motion was made by Ms. Breymeyer, seconded by Dr. Zumwalt, to go into Executive Session – 5 ILCS 120/2(c): The Appointment, Employment, or Compensation of Public Employees. Motion approved by voice vote with no opposition at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, January 5, 2022.

Michell Fairley returned the Iroquois County Board of Health meeting back to regular session by voice vote at 7:32 PM on Wednesday, January 5, 2022. Present- Michelle Fairley, Dr. Zumwalt, Lisa Breymeyer, Dr. Reddy (via phone), Dr. Yergler. Absent- Susie Legan, Barbara Offill, Dr. Tungate.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business.

ADJOURNMENT: Dr. Yergler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Zumwalt, to adjourn at 7:33 PM on Wednesday, January 5, 2022. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote. The next scheduled full Board of Health meeting is Wednesday, March 2, 2022, at 6:00 PM in the Iroquois County Administrative Center boardroom.

Lisa Breymeyer, Secretary

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