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Regular session: April 29, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Board members present: Robin Waltz, D.V.M.; Mary Kay Butler, RN; Scott Murphy, M.D.; Adam Faulkner; Nathan Hall, M.D.; Gayle Spaulding, D.M.D

Board members absent: Cameron Willoughby, PharmD

Staff members present: Susan Stack, M.D.; Lindsey Wyne; Kalyn Robison

Dr. Waltz called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. She introduced new board member, Dr. Gayle Spaulding.

I. Minutes of Previous Meetings

Adam motioned to approve of the previous minutes; Mary Kay seconded. The previous minutes were approved 6-0.

II. Health Officer Remarks

Dr. Stack mentioned that there have been cases of HIV, not reported in Indiana, related to cosmetic injections. There was a measles exposure at the Children's Museum that day of the Eclipse. After the 3-week period, there were no other cases reported. New syphilis testing recommendations for pregnant women are coming out. Patients are recommended to be tested 3 times: during the first appointment, around 28-30 weeks, and before delivery.

Dr. Stack passed it over to Dr. Waltz to discuss chronic wasting disease. Chronic wasting disease is found in whitetail deer. It hasn't been reported in Jefferson County, but it is in Indiana. There is a testing site in Jefferson County located in the Proving Grounds at Big Oaks. WHO recommends not consuming deer meat. Chronic wasting disease has shown no reported effects in humans. Dr. Waltz also mentioned the rabies cases reported in Clark County and stated that the Waltz Animal Clinic is having a reduced rabies clinic on Saturday, May 4th.

III. Old Business

Dr. Stack noted that the fluoride varnish is being utilized at pediatric offices and parents have liked having that service. We could get more in there is interest. Patients on Medicaid are the targeted demographic. It is available to any interested patient, however. Lindsey requested statistics on who is receiving the varnish to put Health First money towards ordering more.

IV. New Business

A. Quarterly Reports Questions

None

B. Moody Mobile Home Park

At the end of last quarter, JCHD was requested to inspect Moody Park. This year we've been requested to inspect an additional 3 units. All three were deemed unfit. The property owner has been working on improving conditions in one of the units.

C. Policy Approvals

The board reviewed several policies. Dr. Murphy motioned to approve the second version of the Mission Statement and the Vision and Values Statements as written and Mary Kay seconded. The board passed these statements 6-0. Adam motioned and Dr. Hall seconded the Car Seat Policy. The Car Seat Installation Policy was approved by the board 6-0. The Release of Information Policy for Retail Food Inspections was motioned by Dr. Hall to be approved and Adam seconded. The board approved the Food Inspection Information Release Policy with a 6-0 vote. Adam motioned to approve the Environmental Inspection Report Release of Information Policy, Dr. Murphy seconded, and the board passed the policy 6-0 with the change of “will be released” to “may be released”. The Medical Emergency Response Policy was motioned by Mary Kay to be approved with Dr. Hall seconding. The board passed this policy with a 6-0 vote. Dr. Spaulding motioned to pass the updated Hardship/Self-Pay Policy and Policy Form, and Mary Kay seconded the motion. The board voted 6-0 on the approval of the Hardship/Self-Pay Policy and Policy Form.

D. Security Pros Update

The card readers, cameras, and software have all been installed. Lindsey is working in the backend of the software to assign permissions to everyone’s key fobs. A locksmith is coming to finalize the components to the main door. Master keys will be collected once everyone is accustomed to the new fobs. The cores will be replaced in the doors after the keys have been collected to ensure any lingering master keys don’t work. The security system is compatible with EMA, the City of Madison, and the Madison Police Department. It will be compatible with the Hanover Logistics building once installed. Being compatible means access can be granted through the fobs for employees at other locations, i.e. granting Police access to our building.

E. Current Health First Initiatives

We are currently working with WIC to provide baby-proofing kits, including safety items with information and partnership information. Halo sleep swaddles will be ordered to give to Life Choices for clients.

F. Future Health First Initiatives

- **CPR/AED Training**

The PHEP grant will be used toward CPR/AED training. Manikins will be ordered. The goal is to have 5-7 instructors and eventually have instructor trainers. With the help of Bethany Legacy CPR classes will be free. Schools will be targeted first, along with locations that received AEDs through Bethany Legacy, then looking at parks departments and churches. The goal is to target places with larger congregations of people and then open classes to the public.

- **Health Department Website/Social Media**

We are looking into getting a website separate from the county site. To update our information on the website currently, we must go through someone at the courthouse. We don’t have total control over it. Having a website of our own that we have access to control and change would allow us to get more information out to the public.

- **Health Department Lab**

Lindsey proposed a plan to transform the current public women’s restroom into a lab for our nurses. This would ensure privacy for STD testing conducted and safety for samples collected. Dr. Spaulding motioned and Adam seconded. The board voted 6-0 for the lab to be built.

- Tobacco Cessation Coordinator

KDH, through the Healthy Community Initiative, has a full-time cessation coordinator, and a part-time cessation coordinator targeted towards youth. She's currently working with Southwestern working on programs. The Health Department is looking to contract with the part-time coordinator to expand their funding and time to incorporate into other schools. If it's possible the contract would be started this year.

- Life Choices Funding

Life Choices has requested \$26,000. Some of the money will be put towards newborn car seats. They have a program for expecting parents to take classes where they can earn a car seat or other items with points earned from attendance. Currently, parents must take 6-8 one-hour classes. We are asking for the number of classes to be reduced. Part of the requested money would be towards testing and salary to make a nursing position full-time.

- NKDH Social Work

Lindsey sat down with Carol Dozier and Heather Foy and talked about potential partnerships. They discussed a maternal and child health social worker to follow up with mothers on appointments and help mothers connect with appropriate programs and resources. We would contract with KDH to hire this employee for at least the first year. They would be based out of the hospital.

- Child Advocacy Center

The CAC helps conduct interviews with children who have experienced or witnessed abuse. They also teach about the reporting requirements for abuse. They have worked with schools regarding substance abuse. We are working on a contract for this year to give funding and plan to budget funds for them in future years.

- Mobile Unit

Many health departments have a mobile unit for vaccines. The system we use requires insurance to be verified before a vaccine is given which isn't something we can do with a mobile unit. If we were to get a mobile unit, we could use it for other purposes such as senior programs, blood pressure screenings, or biometric screenings.

- Board Member Initiatives

Dr. Murphy discussed life expectancy in the US versus other 1st world countries. The US is lower in comparison. Indiana ranks 40th out of the 50 states. The board discussed various ways to improve life expectancy. Billboards for prevention were suggested now that we have the funding for that. More focus and awareness need to be on disease prevention. The board discussed screenings offered at KDH. Lifeline is a program that travels to Madison. They offer some health screenings not available through KDH. If we could form some sort of partnership with Lifeline, it was suggested the screenings should be conducted away from the hospital to draw more people in who have adverse feelings towards hospitals. Lindsey stated that she is working with WIC to provide vouchers for the farmer's market and Dattilo's Fruit to get fresh produce to families. We have begun coming up with health topics to focus on with students. We have taught dental health to 2nd graders this year. We have taught proper handwashing to students in the past.

V. Public Comment

None

VI. Adjournment

Mary Kay motioned to adjourn, Dr. Spaulding seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Susan Stack, M.D.
Health Officer

Robin Waltz, D.V.M
Chairperson, Board of Health