

**Franklin County District Board of Health
Minutes of the Board of Health Meeting
Tuesday, September 14, 2021—8:00a.m.
In-Person @ Memorial Hall
280 East Broad Street, First Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215
Zoom Conference Call**

Call to Order: Sally Morgan called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Tom Rudge, PhD
Sally Morgan, RN
Latisha Chastang, MNML

Board Members Absent:

Arthur James, MD, FACOG
Roy Barnewall, DVM, PhD

Joe Mazzola, MPA, Secretary

Staff Present:

Alex Jones, AHC, Director of Prevention and Wellness
Niki Lemin, AHC, Director Environmental Health
Theresa Seagraves, AHC, Director of Health Systems and Planning
Jen Robinson, Director of Human Resources and Customer Service
Mitzi Kline, Director of Communications and Marketing
John Wolf, Director of Finance and Operations
Debb Smith, Executive Assistant – Health Commissioner
Miller Sullivan, MD, Medical Director
Lisa Dent, Associate Director of Equity and Inclusion
Cassandra Burns, IT System Supervisor
Marcus Fitzgerald, Help Desk Technician
Jeff Gibbs, Environmental Health Division Manager
Sarah Jensen, Environmental Health Division Manager
Jennie McAdams, Sustainability Supervisor
Charlie Broschart, Environmental Health Division Manager
Eva Wollerman, Emergency Preparedness Supervisor
Patricia Faas, Administrative Assistant

Legal Counsel:

Joseph R. Durham, Esq., Eastman & Smith, Ltd.

Guests & New Staff:

Travis Ban, Interpreter
Natalie Reece, Court Reporter

Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Morgan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Minutes:

Minutes for July 13th and August 10th were approved.

Old Business:

Docu-Sign Demonstration was presented by John Wolf.

New Business:

Hearing: 21-002 For a Variance Request – Ohio Administrative Code 3701-29-06, 5199 Norton Road, Grove City, Ohio 43123; Pleasant Township, Tax District 230, Parcel #000340; PSH Property Management, LTD (property owners); was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolutions

Resolution 21-120 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to pay the operating expenses for the Board of Health; was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-121 Resolution to adopt the schedule of fees for Body Art Businesses for the 2022 Operating/Approval Year (First Reading); was approved upon a motion by Dr. Rudge with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-122 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to renew an agreement with the Ohio Department of Health for enforcement of Chapter 3794 Smoke-Free Workplace Law; was approved upon a motion by Dr. Rudge with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-123 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to accept funds from the Board of Commissioners for the position of Associate Director of Equity and Inclusion; was approved upon a motion by Dr. Rudge with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-124 Resolution of the COVID-19 Vaccine Policy; was approved upon a motion by Dr. Rudge with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-125 Resolution to amend the Franklin County Public Health Base Pay Structure; was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-126 Resolution for a temporary change to the personnel procedures (located within the Franklin County Public Health Employee Handbook) for eligible exempt employees under COVID-19 Response; was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-127 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into a contract with Amelie Company for a Recover For Life Campaign Media Buy (Expense of \$100,000.00); was approved upon a motion by Dr. Rudge with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-128 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Health for participation in the Medicaid Administrative Claiming Program (Annual Revenue Estimate of \$250,000.00); was approved upon a motion by Dr. Rudge with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolutions 21-129 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into a contract agreement with Conduent Healthy Communities Corporation for the purpose of providing a web-based, public-facing Healthy Communities Institute (HCI) platform to host a drug overdose surveillance system, conduct data collection and visualization activities, and provide data and support for community health initiatives as outlined in the proposal for HCI standalone platform proposal. (Expense of \$143,235.00); was approved upon a motion by Dr. Rudge with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-130 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into contracts with local agencies in support of The Centers For Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) through its Community Health Workers for COVID Response and Resilient Communities (CCR) Grant (Expense of \$419,000.00); was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-131 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into contracts with local agencies in support of The Center For Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Overdose Data To Action (OD2A) Grant (Expense of

\$2,010,341.68); was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-132 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to accept Year Three(3) Grant Funding from The Centers For Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) through its Overdose Data To Action (OD2A) Grant (Revenue of \$3,509,855.00) was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-133 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into a contract with Ohio University to host The ACEs, Paces and Addiction Summit on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at Ohio University – Dublin Facilities (Expense of \$2,520.00) was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-134 Resolution amending the Medical Director agreement with Dr. Miller J. Sullivan, Jr., MD; was approved upon a motion by Dr. Rudge with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-135 Resolution advising all Cities and Home-Rule Townships take executive or legislative action to institute mask mandates for everyone in public places, workplaces, restaurants, grocery stores and other indoor community settings in order to respond to the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency; was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-136 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into an agreement between the Franklin County Board of Commissioners and Franklin County Public Health to promote Equity and Inclusion (Annual Revenue of \$128,500.00); was canceled.

Resolution 21-137 Resolution to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter into contracts with the Gordon Flesch Company for lease and maintenance for two(2) multi-functional devices; was approved upon a motion by Dr. Rudge with a second by Ms. Chastang. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-138 Resolution for Health Services and Plumbing to political subdivisions 2022; was tabled.

Resolution 21-139 Resolution to amend the operating budget; was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Resolution 21-140 Resolution to approve purchases for Franklin County Public Health; was approved upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Personnel Actions:

Presented by Jen Robinson, Director of HR and Customer Service. The attached personnel actions were presented for Board approval. Personnel actions were moved for approval upon a motion by Ms. Chastang with a second by Dr. Rudge. Ayes: All Nays: None – motion carried.

Update: 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019 -nCOV) Outbreak

Alex Jones, Assistant Health Commissioner and Dr. Sullivan, Medical Director gave an update on status of COVID-19, highlighting information on the delta variant and hospital capacity.

Division & Office Reports

- a. Niki Lemin, AHC, Director of Environmental Health (report attached).
- b. Theresa Seagraves, AHC, Director of Health Systems and Planning (report attached).
- c. Alex Jones, AHC, Director of Prevention and Wellness (report attached).
- d. Jennifer Robinson, Director of Human Resources and Customer Service (report attached).
- e. Mitzi Kline, Director of Communications and Marketing (report attached)

Strategic Initiatives

None.

Health Awareness Calendar—September 2021

Acknowledge of the following for September 2021: World Environmental Health Day (9/26/2021), Hispanic Heritage Month, National Recovery Month, and Emergency Preparedness Month

Health Commissioner's Report—Joe Mazzola, MPA – Health Commissioner Mazzola was not in attendance

Medical Director's Report—Dr. Miller Sullivan, MD – Dr. Sullivan presented a report, mentioning rise of RSV in toddlers and babies, as well as influenza.

Legal Counsel's Report—Joe Durham, Esq. – Attorney Durham discussed the Mask Mandate follow-up.

Meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Morgan, President

Joe Mazzola, Secretary