CITY OF CASPER-NATRONA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Thursday, February 22, 2018; ELKHORN ROOM
5:30 PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:36pm. Present were Board Members Mr. Cometto, Dr. Miller, Ms. Hansuld, Ms. Shickich and new Board member Dr. Smith. Staff members present were Dr. Weidenbach, Ms. Smith, Ms. Matson, Ms. Cardine, Ms. Lembke, Ms. Gray, Ms. Heald, Ms. Kinder and Dr. Dowell. Guests Ms. Parke and Commissioner Chadwick.


Ms. Parke presented the basics of her program. The grant works with people who are affected by cancer. The program connects many people with other cancer services and screening. Last year Ms. Parke implemented free sunscreen at the community pools. Ms. Parke stated that she was excited to work with the Health Department. With changes at the Wyoming Health Council it was important to find another agency that would continue the positive work of the Wyoming Cancer Resource Services. Dr. Weidenbach and Ms. Parke worked hard on the application and it has been submitted. The application was submitted on February 8, 2018, awards will be announced in the next few weeks.

I. AGENDA/MINUTES

Mr. Cometto welcomed Dr. Smith to the board and was excited to have her join.

a) Previous Meeting Minutes/Notes

January Board Meeting Minutes*

Dr. Miller motioned to approve the January 18, 2018 Board Minutes. Ms. Hansuld seconded, motion passed.

II. BUDGET/FINANCIAL

a) Financials*

i. January 2018 Financials*

Mr. Cometto reported that the January 2018 financials looked good and only have Medicaid and HIV Case Management have outstanding invoices. Ms. Hansuld motioned to approve the January 2018 financials. Dr. Miller seconded, motion passed.

III. BOARD

a) Next Meeting Date

Proposed for March 15, 2018 at 5:30pm* (change to normal schedule)

Dr. Miller motioned to approve the next meeting date. Ms. Hansuld seconded, motion passed.
IV. HEALTH OFFICER
a) Health Officer Report
   a. Community Influenza Activity
      Dr. Dowell reported numbers are down, and the county has run out of testing
equipment in the county. Providers have been instructed to use clinical skills
to diagnosis the flu. The hospital has been really busy and on divert a few
times over the last month transferring patients.

      Dr. Dowell reported that his practice is no longer going to Riverton/Lander
area. HIV cases will be done quarterly. Dr. Dowell reported that he will be
doing an interview with K2 tonight discussing SF66. This bill deals with
malpractice and indigent care. Dr. Dowell reports this bill will not increase
services to the poor people as Medicaid expansion is not happening.

b. Update on Natrona County Hepatitis A outbreak
   Dr. Weidenbach reported that there are 15 confirmed case. The clinic has been
completing mass vaccination clinics to the jail and working with other high
risk programs. Ms. Cardine has reported that 179 Hepatitis A vaccines have
been given and 23 Twinrix vaccines have been given, totaling 202 vaccines.
Ms. Cardine reported that they will be going to CWCC and CRC in the next
weeks and hope to vaccinate many more people. Ms. Cardine reported that
we will be doing regular trips to the jail in the future. Ms. Cardine reported
that she was able to order directly from the CDC so we are able to vaccinate all
the high risk population.

V. DIVISION REPORTS

1) ADMINISTRATION
   a) General Administration
      i) Introduction of Sara Smith, DDS
         Dr. Weidenbach introduced Dr. Smith from the Community Health Center. Dr.
         Weidenbach reported that the City will be sending the official letter soon to Dr.
         Smith.

      ii) FY18 Six Month Budget Revisions* (spreadsheet provided to Board)
          Dr. Miller motioned to accept the FY18 six month budget revisions. Ms. Hansuld
          seconded, motion passed.

      iii) Proposed FY19 Budget*
          General discussion followed on the FY19 budget and funding levels. Dr.
          Weidenbach reported that we may see a 10% increase in health insurance costs
          next year. Ms. Hansuld motioned to approve the FY19 budget. Dr. Miller
          seconded, motion passed.

      iv) Dr. Weidenbach chosen as PHAB Site Visitor
          Dr. Weidenbach reported that she will be training in May, and will be doing one
          site visit a year. Dr. Weidenbach reported that this will help us in getting

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accreditation complete, as she will see what is needed and how others accomplished the goal.
Ms. Hansuld is interested to see how other departments get staff to buy into accreditation. Dr. Weidenbach reported the biggest barrier at this point is funding to hire the people needed to complete QI and documentation. Dr. Weidenbach reports after she is trained we will have a better understanding of accreditation requirements.

v) Legislative Updates
Dr. Weidenbach gave a list of current bills on health. Many of these bills will not apply to the Health Department. The biggest question mark will be on Prevention funds. They are taking funds away from PMO and have these funds go thru county commissions. The county commissioners have expressed to Dr. Weidenbach that they would like these funds to go to public health. There are a lot of unknowns at this time and we will wait to see what comes out of the session.

vi) Support of City Anti-Discrimination Resolution
Dr. Weidenbach has verbally supported and written a letter of support. There is scientific data showing that anti-discrimination support health outcomes. Commissioner Keating spoke with Dr. Weidenbach questioning our support of this resolution. Dr. Weidenbach received a call from county attorney with a complaint that the department was supporting this resolution. Commissioner Chadwick stated that there was a vote among the Commissioners 4 to 1 to stay out of the Health Department’s business.

b) Public Health Preparedness/Medical Reserve Corp/CPR
Ms. Gray reported she has just completed a week training in Alabama and is was really good. Ms. Gray instructed 10 parents in CPR thru the MCH/TANF parenting class. Ms. Gray reported that there is a 56,000 dollar BASE cut. Ms. Gray stated that she is not sure how the cuts will affect her program at this time.

c) Wyoming AETC/HIV Case Management/Ryan White Programs
i) Federal updates
Ms. Kinder reported at this current time there is no funding in the federal budget for AETC. Ms. Kinder reported that this is nothing new and she was not worried about funding at this time. Ms. Kinder reported that Dr. Sweet will be in town for multiple presentations in March.

2) ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIVISION
a) Dog friendly patio policies
Ms. Heald reported that currently there is no variance for dogs to be on a restaurant’s patio area. Currently the only animal allowed in restaurants are service animals. Ms. Heald would like to address this before it becomes an issue and allow for variances in outdoor patio areas. Ms. Heald reported that we would have to contact the Department of AG to get approval. The Board would like for Ms. Heald to proceed with this and see if we can get a variance from the Department of AG. Ms. Heald reminded the Board this could take some time as the Department of Ag moves slowly.
3) NURSING
   a) Adult Health Program
      Ms. Lembke reported that the department lived thru the LT101 season. Ms. Lembke reported that there was a 36 percent increase in LT101’s in January from the previous year. Ms. Lembke reported that she has completed Diabetes training and will be doing her first A1C clinic in March.

   b) Disease Prevention
      Ms. Cardine has nothing further to report.

   c) Maternal and Child Health Program
      Ms. Matson stated they have been focusing on the genetic clinics that are starting. Ms. Matson stated that they will be doing clinics in person and telegenetics on the computer. The telegenetics are a new thing and she is interested to see how it works. Ms. Matson stated that the drug education that Ms. Kinder has brought to the department has been very helpful. Each time the officer comes and talks they learn new things that help them with their clients. Ms. Matson appreciates the opportunity to attend these sessions.

VI. CITY/COUNTY LIAISON REPORTS
Commissioner Chadwick reported that all the commissioners were in Cheyenne last week discussing all the bills. None of the 53 bills made it through to the floor. Revenues are up a little. There are now 10 rigs up and running in Converse County and that is likely to increase. Commissioner Chadwick believes we are on the right path to increase county tax revenue. WYDOT will be building the east loop road. The cost is 19 million dollars and some land owners are not happy. The state is beginning proceedings to get the land.

VII. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS
Dr. Smith stated that April 7, 2018 will be the 5th annual Give a Kid a Smile event. This event targets underserved and Medicaid kids. There are a few dentist that are donating their time to the event.

Dr. Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Hansuld seconded, motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.