



MINUTES

**Public Health Advisory Board Meeting
October 9, 2017 – 8:30 A.M.
Southern Nevada Health District, 280 S. Decatur Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89107
Red Rock Trail Room A and B**

BOARD: Tina Coker – Member, City of Henderson
(Present) Michael Collins – Member, Registered Nurse
Timothy Jones – Member, Environmental Health
Ronald Kline – Member, City of North Las Vegas
LeQawn McDowell – Member, City of Las Vegas
Kenneth Osgood – Member, Physician
Dick Tomasso – Member, City of Mesquite

(Absent): Warren Harhay - Member, City of Boulder City

ALSO PRESENT: None
(In Audience)

LEGAL COUNSEL: Annette Bradley, Esq.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY: Joseph P. Iser, MD, DrPH, MSc, Chief Health Officer

STAFF: Todd Bleak, Regena Ellis, Emily Elzeftawy, Mike Johnson, Fermin Leguen, Michelle Nath, Jeff Quinn, Jacqueline Reszetar, Verallynn Orewyler, Misty Robinson, Leo Vega

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jones called the Public Health Advisory Board Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PUBLIC COMMENT: A period devoted to comments by the general public about those items appearing on the agenda. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. Please step up to the speaker's podium, clearly state your name and address, and spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this may be done by the Chairman or the Board by majority vote.

Seeing no one, the Chair closed this portion of the meeting.

IV. ADOPTION OF THE OCTOBER 9, 2017 AGENDA (for possible action)

A motion was made by Member Osgood and seconded by Tina Coker and carried unanimously to adopt the October 9, 2017 Agenda as presented.

V. CONSENT AGENDA: Items for action to be considered by the Public Health Advisory Board which may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per Board Member request before action. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

1. Approve Minutes/Advisory Board Meeting: July 10, 2017; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

A motion was made by Member Osgood seconded by Member McDowell and carried unanimously to adopt the July 10, 2017 Consent Agenda as presented.

VII. REPORT/DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. **Discuss and Approve Southern Nevada District Board of Health Nominations of Officers from July 27, 2017 Meeting**; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

Chair – Kenneth Osgood

Vice Chair – Michael Collins

The Southern Nevada District Board of Health Nominations included recommendations for Kenneth Osgood as Chair and Michael Collins as Vice Chair of the Public Health Advisory Board. Member Osgood withdrew his nomination noting he would be unavailable to attend any scheduled Thursday meetings of the District Board of Health should representation by the Public Health Advisory Board be requested.

A motion was made by Member Osgood seconded by Member Coker and carried unanimously to nominate Tim Jones for Chair and Michael Collins as Vice Chair.

2. **Review/Discuss 2018 Advisory Board Meeting Schedule**; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

The 2018 proposed Advisory Board meeting schedule was reviewed. ([Attachment 1](#))

A motion was made by Member Osgood seconded by Member Coker and carried unanimously to adopt the 2018 Advisory Board Meeting Schedule as presented.

3. **Review/Discuss Status of Accreditation**; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

Emily Elzeftawy, Acting Accreditation Coordinator, presented an update on the District's accreditation history and current status. ([Attachment 2](#))

Documents are due to the Public Health Accreditation Board by February 2018 for the accreditation process. The PHAB's site visit will be scheduled six months following submission of documents. Moving forward, the position of Accreditation Coordinator will be transitioned to a Quality Improvement Performance Manager who will take on the additional responsibilities of quality assurance activities while maintain accreditation functions.

There was no action taken on this item.

4. **Review/Discuss District's Opioid Abuse Prevention Efforts**; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

Jessica Johnson, Health Educator II, presented on the District's opioid abuse prevention efforts. ([Attachment 3](#))

Ms. Johnson reported drug overdoses are the leading cause of death for Americans under 50 years of age. In Clark County opioid overdose deaths is the highest among 45-54 year old age group. The Opioid Advisory Council and Harm Reduction Alliance are groups which have been developed to address concerns related to opioid abuse.

5. **Discuss and Approve Recommendations to the Southern Nevada District Board of Health on October 26, 2017**; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary **(for possible action)**

The recommendations to the Southern Nevada District Board of Health included the

recommendation for the Advisory Board Officers and the 2018 meeting schedule.

A motion was made by Member Osgood seconded by Member Dowell and carried unanimously to forward the recommendations for the Advisory Board Officers and adopt the 2018 Advisory Board meeting schedule for approval by the Southern Nevada District Board of Health.

VIII. HEALTH OFFICER & STAFF REPORTS

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Dr. Iser provided a brief update on the Public Health Associate Program which is organized in conjunction with the CDC. Tanya Sutton, current CDC associate, has one remaining year as part of the accreditation team. The new associates will be assigned to the Office of Public Health Preparedness, Food Operations and Vector Surveillance. The assignments are annual and last two years.

The wage reopener negotiation was ratified with a 2.5% increase for two years along with a two-step increase for employees eligible for step increases.

Jeff Quinn and Misty Robinson gave a briefing on the outdoor music country festival mass casualty incident (MCI). The Health District Office of Public Health Preparedness was involved in the response efforts and recovery operation. It was reported Clark County activated their Multi-Agency Coordination Center as well as the Medical Surge Area Command to support law enforcement efforts and medical surge operations in response to the MCI.

Dr. Iser provided a vector disease update and noted there was a very mild vector disease season. There was one death due to West Nile virus, and two additional cases reported. There weren't any cases of St Louis Encephalitis and there were only one or two imported cases of Zika.

- Todd Bleak, Pharmacist, presented an overview of the Southern Nevada Health District Pharmacy ([Attachment 4](#))

- IX. PUBLIC COMMENT:** A period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments, about matters relevant to the Board's jurisdiction will be held. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of this Agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken pursuant to NRS 241.020. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. Please step up to the speaker's podium, clearly state your name and address, and spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this may be done by the Chairman or the Board by majority vote.

Seeing no one, the Chair closed this portion of the meeting.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:12 a.m.

Joseph P. Iser, MD, DrPH, MSc
Chief Health Officer/Executive Secretary

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