

#### MINUTES

# Public Health Advisory Board Meeting October 11, 2021 – 8:30 A.M. Meeting occurred via Webex Event

**BOARD:** Michael Collins – Chair, Registered Nurse (Webex)

Kenneth Osgood - Vice Chair, Physician (Webex)

(Present) Francisco Rojas – Member, Environmental Health (Webex)

Jennifer Young – Member, City of Las Vegas (Webex)
Paul Klouse – Member, City of Boulder City (Webex)
Holly Lyman – Member, City of Henderson (Webex)

ABSENT: Ronald Kline – Member, City of North Las Vegas

Dick Tomasso - Member, City of Mesquite

ALSO PRESENT: None

(In Audience)

**LEGAL COUNSEL:** Heather Anderson – Fintak, General Counsel, Esq.

**EXECUTIVE** 

**SECRETARY:** Fermin Leguen, MD MPH, District Health Officer

STAFF: Andrea Green, Dr. Cassius Lockett, Joann Rupiper, David Kahananui, Theresa Ladd

## I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Chair Collins called the Public Health Advisory Board Meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. Andrea Green conducted a roll call and determined that a quorum was present

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**III.** FIRST 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. 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 none, Chair Collins closed this portion of the meeting.

# IV. ADOPTION OF THE OCTOBER 11, 2021 AGENDA (for possible action)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Osgood seconded by Member Klouse and carried unanimously to adopt the October 11, 2021 Agenda as presented.

- V. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>: 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. <u>Approve Minutes/Advisory Board Meeting</u>: July 12, 2021; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary *(for possible action)*

A motion was made by Vice Chair Osgood seconded by Member Klouse and carried unanimously to approve the July 12, 2021 Public Health Advisory Board Meeting minutes as presented.

## VI. <u>REPORT/DISCUSSION/ACTION</u>

1. <u>Receive, Discuss and Accept 2022 Meeting Schedule</u>; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary *(for possible action)* 

Andrea Green, Executive Administrative Secretary, read the meeting schedule to the board members. Vice Chair Osgood proposed to move the October 2022 meeting to the first Monday in October. (Attachment 1)

A motion was made by Member Klouse, seconded by Vice Chair Osgood, and carried unanimously to approve the 2022 meeting schedule to include the change to the October 2022 meeting to be moved to the first Monday in October.

 Discuss and Accept Recommendations to the Southern Nevada District Board of Health on October 28, 2021; direct staff accordingly or take other action as deemed necessary (for possible action)

No recommendations were given.

VII. <u>BOARD REPORTS</u>: The Southern Nevada District Board of Health Public Health Advisory Board members may identify and comment on Health District related issues. Comments made by individual Board members during this portion of the agenda will not be acted upon by the Southern Nevada District Board of Health Public Health Advisory Board members unless that subject is on the agenda and scheduled for action. (*Information Only*)

No reports or request were given.

#### VIII. DISTRICT HEALTH OFFICER & STAFF REPORTS (Informational Only)

- DHO Comments Dr. Leguen informed the board that the Southern Nevada Health District Immunization Program started administering the flu vaccination.
- COVID 19 Update Dr. Cassius Lockett, Director of Disease Surveillance, presented the COVID-19 Update to the board. (Attachment 2) Vice Chair Osgood inquired if there are any breakthrough cases for those 65+ with comorbidities or no comorbidities. Dr. Lockett responded the cases are relatively small, but the vaccine is working. Chair Collins inquired if there is a difference in breakthrough cases with Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson. Dr. Lockett explained the highest probability is Pfizer. Member Young inquired about preparation in increasing the vaccine sites. Dr. Leguen responded that we currently have 12 vaccination sites across our county, and we have the capacity to increase to 3 more vaccination sites if needed. The demand for an increase in vaccination sites have not been overwhelming, so we have managed demand locally. We have the ability to open a large mass vaccination site, as we did in the beginning of the pandemic, but right now we prefer a smaller vaccination site.
- Vaccination Campaign Update JoAnn Rupiper, Chief Administrative Nurse, explained the
  booster dose for Pfizer was approved and our clinics can administer up to 12,000 per week, but
  right now only 1,500 have received the booster dose. There are questions regarding mix and
  matching a Pfizer and Moderna vaccine doses. Right now, it is not FDA approved. SNHD has
  given out a total of 831,727 doses of vaccine, we had community partners work with us to
  administer these doses. Member Lyman, congratulated JoAnn and her team for doing a great
  job.
- Community Health Center Update David Kahananui, Senior FQHC Manager, presented the Community Health Center Update to the Board. (<u>Attachment 3</u>) Chair Collins inquired about services provided to those outside of Clark County. Mr. Kahananui responded that we wanted to

serve those outside of Clark County and we received additional funding opportunities by serving beyond Clark County. Our goal is to improve as much health throughout the state. Member Young inquired about the increase in eligibility changes and if we are using community health workers. Mr. Kahananui responded, that, yes, we are using community health workers along with eligibility workers and case managers. The increase happened by shifting our eligibility and community health workers closer to our patients, engage more with the patients in the waiting area.

IX. <u>SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: 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. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. 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, Chair Collins closed this portion of the meeting.

## X. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Chair Collins adjourned the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Klouse, seconded by Vice Chair Osgood, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Fermin Leguen, MD, MPH, District Health Officer /ag