



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING
July 18, 2013**

**Health District Office Building
120 Bristlecone Drive, Fort Collins**

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Celeste Holder Kling, President
Bernard J. Birnbaum, MD, Vice President
Timothy S. O'Neill, Secretary
Steven J. Thorson, MD, Treasurer
Joe D. Hendrickson, Liaison to PVHS Board

STAFF PRESENT: Carol Plock, Executive Director
Bruce Cooper, M.D., Medical Director
Laura Mai, Accountant
John Newman, Medical Services Director
Dan Sapienza, Policy Coordinator
Chris Sheafor, Support Services Director
Karen Spink, Special Projects Director
Nancy Stirling, Assistant to Executive Director

CALL TO ORDER; APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Celeste Kling called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. A discussion concerning the September Board meeting and Executive Director review was added to the "Discussion and Actions" section.

MOTION: To approve the agenda as amended.
Motion/Seconded/Carried Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS

Connect for Health Colorado Grant

Ms. Karen Spink, Special Projects Director, provided a brief overview of the status of the project. Many things are all happening at the same time in order to have the project up and running prior to October 1. Activities include: recruitment/interviews to fill 12 positions, site selection for the main Fort Collins site as well as set up of the other 4 sites/locations (Loveland County building, Family Medicine Center, Salud Family Health Center, and Department of Human Services) where Guides will be placed, ordering of equipment, furniture and supplies, and development of a computerized appointment system, policies and procedures, as well as

education, training, and evaluation plans. A communication strategy is still yet to be developed as staff is waiting to hear from the state so they can “piggy-back” on their plan.

Included in the meeting packet is a full copy of the Connect for Health Assistance Network Grant Agreement, along with the initial grant proposal and the adjusted proposal submitted by the Health District on behalf of the partnership with the Larimer County Departments of Health and Environment and Human Services. The agreement requires formal approval by the Board as well as the Board President’s and Executive Director’s signatures. Dr. Birnbaum noted that if the project is successful in helping a few thousand people become covered, it will have been a very valuable project.

MOTION: To approve the Connect for Health Assistance Network Grant Agreement as presented.
Motion/Seconded/Carried Unanimously

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET PRESENTATION AND HEARING; BOARD ACTION
2013 Supplemental Budget and Hearing

Due to an increase in funds received this year that was not anticipated at the time the 2013 budget was approved by the Board last December, a supplemental budget has been prepared and submitted to the Board for review. In addition, a resolution concerning the supplemental budget is also presented to the Board for formal approval. The additional funds include an increase to the Old Age Pension grant and funds for the Connect for Health Colorado grant.

A public hearing, having been properly noticed, was called, although there was no public comment.

MOTION: To approve the 2013 Supplemental Budget as presented; and to adopt Resolution 2013-04 approving the 2013 Supplemental Budget and Appropriations as presented.
Motion/Seconded/Carried Unanimously

2012 Supplemental Budget

At the October 23, 2012 board meeting, the Board approved a Supplemental Budget. Per State Statute, the 2012 supplemental budget was properly noticed in the local newspaper, and a public hearing held, and the supplemental budget was approved and noted in the October 23, 2012 meeting minutes; however, it was recently discovered that a resolution was not accomplished at that time for the Board’s adoption. Per state statute, when approving a supplemental budget, a resolution must be adopted and a copy forwarded to the State’s Department of Local Government, the same department which receives a copy of our regular annual budgets. While the Board has already approved the 2012 supplemental budget, to comply with the state statute, Resolution 2013-03 is now presented to the Board for review. A minor correction was made to the Resolution during the meeting.

MOTION: To adopt Resolution 2013-03 (as revised in the meeting) approving the 2012 Supplemental Budget and Appropriations as presented (and which supplemental budget was previously approved at the October 23, 2012 board meeting).
Motion/Seconded/Carried Unanimously

Policy: Marijuana Regulations at State and Local Level

Per suggestions from the board at last months' board meeting, staff have provided for the board an updated "Adult-use Marijuana Regulation and Amendment 64 Implementation" report for their review. This version includes updates on current city, county and state regulations as well as updates to information pertaining to health impacts.

Both the County and the City are having discussions and work sessions to determine how to implement Amendment 64 in our community. The County has already held two meetings with additional meetings, including public hearings, planned for the near future. Per Amendment 64, any rules must be adopted by October 1. The County's Planning Commission was assigned the task of giving recommendations to the County Commissioners. The County is considering several options, some of which include: a moratorium that would be a ban on retail marijuana facilities only; consideration of allowing two of the existing medical marijuana facilities to convert to retail if they apply; exploring and considering a ban on edible products; and looking into possible additional licensing requirements (i.e., background checks, location limits, etc.). Rules for recreational marijuana are completely different from those for medical marijuana. At a recent Board of Health meeting, that Board passed a resolution asking the County Commissioners to ban edible products in the County stating that edible products are a public health risk above and beyond that of other forms of marijuana; the request is under consideration by the Commissioners. The Health District has also sent a letter to the County Commissioners asking that they keep in mind potential health impacts in their decision making process.

The City Council is scheduled to discuss the issue at its July 30 work session. It is not known at this time what the City is considering, other than a possible temporary moratorium on retail operations in order to give them time to draft local regulations. They are still in the process of licensing medical marijuana facilities.

Team Fort Collins is looking into the possibility of proposing a local sales tax; both Denver and Boulder are considering them, with the revenues to be used for prevention, treatment, and enforcement.

At the State level, emergency rules were released on July 1, including a schedule for rulemaking and rulemaking hearings. Rulemaking applies to licensing, inventory, labeling and advertising, enforcement, and medical differentiation (determining where medical marijuana rules will be different from recreational marijuana). (See slides for details.) The State will approve or deny applications within 90 days, subject to local approval. Formal hearings will be held in August.

A summary of some of the currently proposed 64 pages of state regulations include: Limits on retail sales: no sales to anyone under age 21, 1 oz. limit for Colorado residents (1/4 oz limit for non-residents), no sales of non-marijuana consumable products, no sales that include alcohol or nicotine, and no consumption on premises. Facilities would be subject to inspection for fire, safety, and health, and may be subject to additional local regulations. Edibles would have to be in child-proof packages, and each container must have less than 100 mg of active THC. Marijuana must be in a child-proof container, and marijuana products in a container packaged at the manufacturing facility. Labeling can include no false or misleading statements, and edibles must list the number of servings.

One potential concern is that there is nothing on the warning label regarding the dangers of driving under the influence.

After discussion, the board requested the following next steps for Health District staff: post the Adult-use Marijuana report on the Health District web site; send letters to City Council members (similar to the letters that were sent to the County Commissioners; with a few minor changes) with a copy of the report; and send a letter to the County Planning Commission as well. The County (key staff, Commissioners) should be made aware that our full overview is now available as well. At the state level, the board is supportive of both written and in-person input, including participating in public comment. In particular, the board asked that we request that the state include in the warning statement a sentence regarding the risk of driving or operating machinery under the influence. Also, staff may want to contact other jurisdictions who are wrestling with the same issues to let them know of our report if they are interested, and should share the overview with Dr. LeBailly of the local Health Department.

For the future, more research and thought should be put into understanding the implications of a local tax. Since marijuana is a compound that carries with it some dangers, a tax may give the opportunity to balance those with increased prevention and treatment.

MOTION: To accept the revised "Adult-use Marijuana Regulation and Amendment 64 Implementation" report as presented and have it placed on the website.
Motion/Seconded/Carried Unanimously

September Board Meeting and Executive Director Review

Since there will be some staff and board members unable to attend the currently scheduled regular board meeting on September 24, it will be rescheduled, and will include the Executive Director review.

UPDATES & REPORTS

1st and 2nd Quarter Program Reports

Included in the meeting packet for the Board's review are the 1st and 2nd Quarter program reports and narratives. Mr. Hendrickson had a question concerning dental visits during the 2nd quarter – the number of patients and RVUs were above target while the number of visits were low. Mr. John Newman, Clinical Services Director, commented that the numbers were very recently calculated, and need to be doublechecked; new targets had been implemented for this year, and while it could be that we are seeing more patients and getting more done in each visit, he would check on the data. The numbers of Behavioral Health Specialists also seemed low; staff will check on those too.

The Board again expressed their great appreciation to staff for the time and effort that is put into drafting these reports. Out of concern for and recognition of the amount of time it takes staff to develop these reports, the board inquired as to whether it might make sense to do these reports on less than a quarterly basis. Staff responded that at first these reports were done on a monthly basis, but were changed to quarterly. Mr. Newman, who coordinates these reports, stated that doing these reports on a quarterly basis has been beneficial to him as a management tool, particularly in being able to track and monitor clinical services and ensure the programs are on target to meet annual service projections. The board left the decision up to management.

Ms. Plock informed the Board that she is still working on getting representatives from the County and the City to attend a Health District board meeting to present on and discuss the tax increment financing (TIF) issue. It is hopeful that this discussion will be held at the board's August meeting.

Dr. Thorson mentioned that the League of Women Voters recently held a forum on TIF that will be re-broadcast at various times on the City's cable channel. He attended the forum and thought it was very well done and included a "civil discussion" of the issue. Mr. Chris Sheafor also attended the form as well as a meeting Monday evening hosted by the County Commissioners, to which City Council members were invited and attended. Much of that discussion was around how to work together in the future on the TIF issue. By the end of that meeting, the group had come up with several next steps, including making sure the mitigation formulas are correct, bringing county people into the process earlier and possibly others when needed, etc. The City passed a resolution that these would be done by end of the year, but it is possible that it will be pushed out a bit into 2014.

PVHS Liaison Report

Mr. Joe Hendrickson, the Health District's Liaison to the PVHS Board of Directors, updated the board on a recent meeting that the PVHS Board held, without the executive management team, to discuss the recent employee survey findings. As a result, the PVHS Board requested that they receive a copy of communications that go out to employees, that a PVHS Board member attend meetings that are held with staff members, and that a plan be developed on how they will address communications issues.

On August 14, Board members are invited to participate in a tour of the Anschutz campus; if anyone is interested, they should let Mr. Hendrickson know so he can submit the name(s). In other news, University Hospital was once again named the best hospital in Colorado by US News and World Report. Mr. Stacey was interviewed by the Wall Street Journal to address the question of "why people choose to stay in their job even though they have the opportunity to go elsewhere...". And finally, on August 27, there will be a combined board meeting of the boards from the 3 health systems (PVHS, University Hospital, and Memorial Hospital) and the University of Colorado Board.

Dr. Thorson commented that he has heard from other sources that there are a lot of really unhappy PVHS employees due to changes occurring in the system, including the new restrictions on their health plan, and that even his own employees have expressed frustration with the new computer program installed by the hospital. Some concern has been expressed over perceived declining customer service and quality efforts. Mr. Hendrickson noted that there was very good representation of physicians at this meeting and that their concerns were heard by the board and that the board was very clear in expressing their expectations to the executives.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Final December 2012 and May 2013 Financial Statements
- Approval of the May 28, 2013 Board Meeting Minutes

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.
Motion/Seconded/Carried Unanimously

ANNOUNCEMENTS

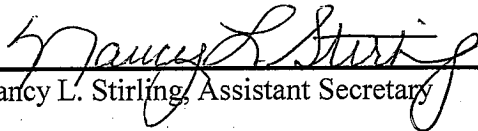
- August 15 Annual Health District Staff Summer Picnic, 4:00 pm at City Park
- August 27, 5:30 pm, Regular Board of Directors Meeting

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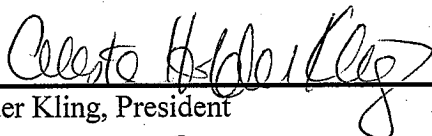
MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.
Moved/Seconded/Carried Unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.


Respectfully submitted:



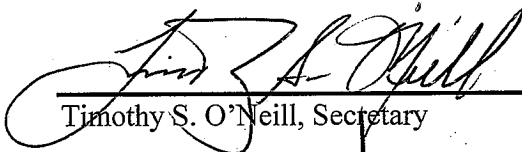
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Celeste Holder Kling, President



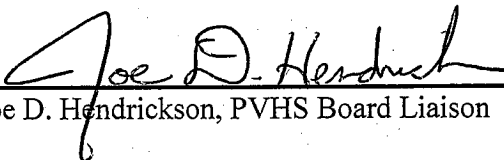
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