

Berkeley County Health Dept.
Board of Health Meeting
June 25, 2007

Present: Robert Burkhart Sandra LeMaster
 Ruby Foltz Joy Buck
 John Miller Pamela Holstein-Wallace
 Jim Barnhart Diana Gaviria
 Bill Kearns

Visitor: Bobbi Miller

Meeting brought to order by John Miller, 4:00 pm

Motion to approve minutes by J. Buck, second R. Burkhart

Threat Preparedness report, P. H-Wallace

- reporting to Grant Cty. Making case for border county needing to protect threat preparedness funding (racial/cultural diversity, proximity to DC/Balto.), after action report re. Dec. Pan Flu exercise, B. Miller also notes large number of fed. Facilities increasing our "target" value, Pam H.Wallace reports that BCHD participated in CWID exercise

Nursing report, S. LeMaster

- after needs assessment, had implementation meeting
- now scheduling some Monday am family planning appointments
- plan to participate in Destiny health fair
- provided BP screenings for DHHR
- participated in VAMC pan flu exercise
- garden club is going to do some landscaping in front of clinical building
- Mtn. State nursing students will be rotating through clinics and introduced to public health

Ruby Foltz questions if all HIV testing is done through APC, S. LeMaster responds not all HIV testing done through APC, R. Foltz notes no STD patients are reported as having HIV testing done, D. Gaviria notes that raises point that we may need to make more effort to encourage HIV testing in STD patients

Env't. report,

- J. Barnhart continues to participate in Sewer advisory board, meetings with TetraTech, developing database of wells, septic systems, ultimate goal to develop maintenance program under regulation of sewer board, in future may need MOU with Board of Health (R. Burkhart discussed need for executive session with Jim Barnhart related to this issue)
- Many complaints re. mosquitoes, a complaint about "brown recluse spiders",

Financial report, July-May, B. Kearns

- Notes that we are projected to go 10-15% over on Threat preparedness expenditures, B. Kearns and P. H-Wallace will make case at regional meeting and to state that our counties needs are continuing to grow and funding should be maintained, also will be discussing decision-making within EPHRT threat preparedness region, J. Buck notes that fed. Officials should be made aware of problems with distributions of funds (noting that our county has many risks and has been a leader in threat preparedness)
- Ken Orr will be working on a contractual basis until new sanitarian hires
- John Miller asks if there has been any communication from state about proposed new regulations re. well pumps (J.Barnhart, B. Kearns have not received any communication about this) J. Buck requests follow-up

Health Officer report, D. Gaviria

- has not heard from Norwood Bentley yet re. food service closure policy
- MRC news: training NIMS, VISTA concept paper has been approved, now working on full application
- Implementation meeting identified four priority areas: adolescent/young adult high-risk sex. Behavior, increase BCCSP outreach, Chronic disease health promotion, indoor air
- Increase coordination with pregnancy prevention specialist
- Presentation at Morgan County re. PanFlu, MRC
- Oral health task force, MOM June 2008

J. Buck moves that reports be approved (with amendments to environmental), R. Burkhart second

Old Business:

- Le Scrub notified, July 2 will start
- Program plan no final decision from state

New Business:

- none

Public comment:

- B. Miller asks who sets regions, B. Kearns notes that Cathy Slemp set up TP regions

J. Buck requests executive session for personnel, R. Burkhart seconds, John Miller notes that no decisions will be made.

J. Buck makes motion that D. Gaviria be hired as health officer in classified position, as of June 29, R. Foltz,second, approved.

Bill Kearns notes that John Miller was reappointed to Board, at next meeting, officers will be reappointed.

R. Burkhart makes motion to adjourn, J. Buck second, motion approved. Adjourned
5:30pm.

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