

# Cheyenne Laramie County Public Health Board of Health

## **CLCPH Conference Room**

Tuesday, August 20, 2024 @ Noon

#### Present:

Lorie Chesnut, DrPH, MPH, President Sue Hume, MS, RN (ret.), Vice President Dr. Tracie Caller, MD, MPH, Secretary Dr. Max Silver, DDS, Member Gus Lopez, Member

## Staff Present:

Kathy Emmons, DMgt, Executive Director
Dr. Stan Hartman, County Health Officer
Kasey Mullins, MSN, RN, Director of Nursing/Deputy Director
Dalene Frantz, Director of Operation and Human Resources
Laura Malone, Director of Finance
Jennifer Escobedo, REHS, Director of Environmental Health

#### Guests Present:

Commissioner Troy Thompson, Ex Officio Tammy Deisch, Laramie County Treasurer

### Absent:

City Councilman Jeff White, Ex Officio Brad Lund, Deputy County Attorney

President Chesnut called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

Welcome Guests: None

**Consent Agenda**: Dr. Chesnut asked for input or changes to the consent agenda which included the agenda for the August 2024 meeting and minutes from the July 16, 2024, meeting. Ms. Hume moved to accept the consent agenda, seconded by Dr. Caller. The motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurers Report for July 2024:** Ms. Deisch reviewed the treasurer's report for July 2024, reviewing cash in the bank account and the investment account balance. After discussion, Mr. Lopez moved to accept the treasurer's report with Dr. Silver seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.



**Financial Reports for July 2024:** Ms. Malone presented the July Revenue and Expense report noting that the goal point for the 1st month of the fiscal year is 8%. Nursing revenue is at 6.03%, Environmental Health's revenue is at 10.04% with total CLCPH department revenue at 6.74% of the budget. Operating expenses are just 8.03% of the budget and total expenses, which also include payroll, are 7.77% of the budget. After discussion, Ms. Hume moved to accept the financial report with Dr. Silver seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Mental Health Moment:** Dr. Caller discussed, Governor Gordon's road map of the future of mental health in the State of Wyoming by shifting the culture, removing the stigma of seeing mental health providers, and creating new ways of delivering care.

Contracts and Agreements: None.

**Official Business**: Dr. Chesnut gave an update on the Executive Director's review for FY2024 stating that all board members have completed the review, and the board compiled review was presented to Dr. Emmons in July 2024.

Information for the Board: Executive Director report - Dr. Emmons reported the following:

- Per the Epi and County Health Officer calls, COVID numbers are up in the last several weeks in Wyoming and nationwide. Dr. Hartman also commented that COVID will probably be with us forever just like influenza.
- We do anticipate the next COVID vaccine out in mid-September.
- Mpox is rising especially in the Africa countries. Sweden also had a case in the last week but the person had been in Africa.
- CDC is making additional influenza vaccines available for poultry and cattle workers.
- >> CFD went well with EH out there during the week. There were some sewage issues and we will follow up with CFD, the City and EH prior to next year.
- Evaluations have been completed for the department for the year.
- National Association of Health Conference via an online conference with some great presentations.
- The County Health Assessment is still in process and will take about a year to and then the plan will be developed.
- Continuing to work on the Governs Healthcare Task Force.
  - Operations & Human Resources Dalene Frantz shared with following:
    - Reviewed the Marketing & Outreach report in the board packet.
    - Public Health Response & Outreach activities in July 2024:
      - Shared relevant public health updates daily during Cheyenne Frontier Days during the daily briefings.



- Social media outreach regarding heat and sun safety.
- PHR Functions in July:
  - Welcomed the new Assistant Public Health Response & Outreach Coordinator, Jessica during July.
  - Working on PHR deliverables including ensuring the correct amount of PPE, updating press contacts, and identifying nurse volunteers in the county.
- Employee Engagement Committee:
  - The committee is working on the Staff Picnic that will be held at the Romero Park Shelter on Thursday, August 22, 2024, from Noon-4:00 pm. All board members are welcome to attend. Activities will include Service Awards for our staff, an ice breaker activity, team building activity, games and great food.
- Building Projects:
  - The water fountains have been installed and completed.
- Environmental Health Jennifer Escobedo shared the following:
  - The EH staff made it through CFD but will be updating some processes including the grey water tanks with a more permanent solution if possible.
  - EH is beginning their Process Improvement plan this week.
  - EH did a back-to-school training for the kitchens of LCSD1.
  - Farmers markets have started resulting in some issues with vendors coming from out of state and obtaining food permits ahead of time. Mr. Lopez asked who oversees the Farmers Markets. Ms. Escobedo stated that is Community Action of Laramie County for the Saturday Farmer's Markets. They are working with Community Action to get more information to these out of state participants.
  - Mosquito numbers are currently down but with all the rain, it is expected that the numbers will increase.
  - Currently hiring 2 new inspectors to replace 2 inspectors that will leave this month because they took jobs in Colorado. There are currently 4 great candidates.
- Public Health Nursing Kasey Mullins, RN, reported the following:
  - Maternal Child Health is finalizing the activities for the Community Baby Shower. First Lady Gordan gave a \$1,000 donation for the Community Baby Shower as this is not funded through the grant.
  - MCH will begin birthing classes in October 2024 with Cheyenne OBGYN and Cheyenne Women's Clinic contributing some of the funding Each participant will pay \$20 for the classes.



- MCH funding has been cut drastically from the State of Wyoming over the last few years and the team has done an amazing job to increase the participation in this program. We recently were approved to bill both Medicaid and insurance if they are insured.
- Last week the nursing team was out in the community giving junior high school students vaccinations with 173 students seen and 310 vaccinations given.
- We have been asked to provide orientation to a Platte County case manager on the Ryan White program.
- Adult team is working on their process improvement for LT101 process which will be shared with the state when completed.
- All security training has been completed for the nurses going into the jail resulting in the testing of inmates for STI.
- During CFD we had to refill the condom at the first aid tent 3 times. We also posted flyers throughout the park.
- Ms. Mullins is joining the County Commissioners meeting today on Opioid Funding.

Presentation: Tour of Women Infants and Children (WIC)

With no further business, Dr. Chesnut adjourned the meeting at 12:39 p.m.