

MINUTES

November 14, 2022 ~ Health Board Meeting

Grant County Complex ~ Council Chambers

Members Present

Dr. Ihrke
Dr. Leighty
Dr. Pearson
Dr. Renfroe

Members Absent

Dr. Bragg
Kathy Glickfield
Brandy Poling

Staff Present

Dr. Moore
David Glickfield
Tara Street

Doug Meeks
Jeff Couch

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

Approval of Minutes

September 19, 2022 regular meeting minutes were approved as written.

September 19, 2022 Executive Session minutes were approved as written.

Division Reports

Division reports were presented. After some discussion about tattoo inspection policy and procedure and how we, as a health department, can make an impact on suicide and fatal overdose numbers the reports were accepted into record as submitted.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

- a) Doug Meeks, newly hired Environmental Health Specialist, was introduced to the board. Doug shared his background in environmental science and its benefit in this position.
- b) The newly passed 401C Eyelash Extension Rule was discussed. At this time the Health Department will take a complaint-based approach. If a complaint is filed an inspection will be conducted and education provided to the Eyelash Technician. Subsequent violations will result in a citation being issued. An informational letter will be sent to all Grant County physicians and ophthalmologists.
- c) 2023 Health Board meeting dates of January 23rd, March 20th, May 15th, July 17th September 18th and November 13th were proposed. Dr. Renfroe motioned to approve, 2nd by Dr. Ihrke, unanimous vote.

In recognition of his term expiring Dr. Moore thanked Dr. Leighty for his service and leadership over the past four years.

Dr. Moore shared his concern with COVID continuing in a less threatening (not causing hospitalizations and deaths) form how do we now, as a public health department, educate, inform and advise our citizens. IDOH has announced a plan to provide substantial additional funding along with specialized regional staff to local health departments in 2024. We are waiting to see where that proposal goes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tara Street