# MINUTES AND MEMORANDA ST. JOSEPH COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

December 14, 2022 Regular Meeting

### Present at the Meeting:

Heidi Beidinger-Burnett, PhD, MPH President

Jason Marker, M.D. Vice President

John Linn, P.E. Member
Ellen Reilander, J.D. Member
Ilana T. Kirsch, M.D. Member
Michelle Migliore, D.O. Member

#### Also Present at the Meeting:

Robert M. Einterz, M.D. Health Officer

Mark D. Fox, MD, PhD, MPH Deputy Health Officer

Jennifer S. Parcell Executive Administrative Asst.

Amy Ruppe Administrator

Robin Vida Director Health Outreach Promotion and

Education (HOPE)

Brett Davis Assistant Director of Environmental Health

Jodie PairitzDirector of Nursing – ZoomCarolyn SmithFood Services Director

Harry Gilbride Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

Mark Espich Director Environmental Health

Cassy White Director of HEED

Marcellus Lebbin, J.D. Department of Health Attorney

### I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, & NOMINATIONS

Board President, Dr. Beidinger, called the December 14, 2022, regular Board of Health meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

### II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

On motion made by Dr. Migliore and Seconded by Dr. Kirsch, the agenda was put to the Board. The agenda was unanimously approved.

## III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On motion made by Dr. Marker, seconded by Dr. Kirsch the minutes for the November 16, 2022, regular meeting were put to the Board. The minutes were unanimously approved.

#### IV. BOARD PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Beidinger wished everyone a happy holiday season.

## V. HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

Dr. Einterz directed the Board to the written report. He then asked the members to review and support the Governors Public Health Commission Report. Dr. Einterz also noted the number of immunizations now exceeds where we were in 2019 and that the electronic medical record system went live.

Dr. Beidinger encouraged support of the Governor's report and highlighted the cooperation between the University of Notre Dame and the Department of Health. Dr. Kirsch noted that funding is tied to infant mortality rates and said the Department would know how to use extra funding to help reduce our rates. Mr. Linn asked how the Members could help support the Governor's report. Discussion followed on the report and how other states get more funds from the federal government.

Dr. Kirsch then said she enjoyed Dr. Einterz talk at the University of Notre Dame and Dr. Beidinger noted the positive feedback from students.

#### **DEPUTY HEALTH OFFICER REPORT**

There was nothing to report.

### VI. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

There was a motion to appoint Mr. Brett Davis to the onsite wastewater advisory board. The motion was made by Mr. Linn seconded by Dr. Kirsch and carried unanimously.

### VII. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

There was no old business.

# VIII. BOARD NOTIFICATIONS

Personnel changes were noted.

# IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

Cynthia Heckman Davis noted her support for the Governor's report.

# X. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next regular meeting of the St. Joseph County Board of Health is scheduled for Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at 4:30 p.m., at the County-City Building.

# XI. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Robert M. Einterz, M.D.

St. Joseph County Health Officer

Respectfully submitted,

Marcellus Lebbin, Esq.

Health Department Attorney