

HEALTH BOARD Meeting

November 19, 2015

Wayne County Health Department

Multipurpose Room

PRESENT: Richard Siebert, DVM, Chairperson
John Lebo, M.A., Vice-Chairperson
Paul Rider, MD
Jon Igelman, MD
Jeff Butler, M.A.
Pat Ravinet, B.S.
David Keller, MD, Secretary of the Health Board
Eric Coulter, MBA, Ed.D., Executive Director
Kathy Jordan, Secretary

ABSENT: Elizabeth Bennett

GUESTS: Kim Flanigan, COO, Chris Beeson, Liaison

ROLL CALL

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Dr. Siebert called the meeting to order and it was determined that there was a quorum and asked for a motion to accept the minutes from September 17th and October 1st, 2015 which were mailed to Board members. Dr. Igelman made the motion and it was seconded by John Lebo. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Each member received a copy of the Agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion: A motion was made by John Lebo per I.C.5-14-1.5-6.1 (b) (9) “to discuss job performance evaluations of individual employees” and certifies that only information related to the above Indiana Code was discussed. The motion was seconded by Dr. Siebert. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dr. Coulter updated the board on the syringe exchange program saying that we have met with Rob Backmeyer from Centerstone and Lisa Suttle from Reid Health. We are working on a written plan and then we will set a date for the public meeting. After the public meeting we will send a letter to the State Health Commissioner for approval. A site has been determined and hours of operation will be determined at a later date. We will have weekly phone calls with Lisa and Rob for updates. Kim Flanigan spoke to some of the issues regarding this program, such as having a Navigator on-site and referral for behavior health counseling. These issues will be included in the plan that we are developing.

Dr. Coulter thanked the board members that attended the Personnel Committee meeting regarding the approval for the pay for the Navigator that is paid through the grant. The person we hired has passed both the State and Federal training and is now certified as a navigator. Dr. Coulter reviewed the benefits of this

grant and reminded the board he will travel to three surrounding counties. This grant is for \$30,000 and is administered through The Indiana Primary Health Care Association.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Coulter reported to the health board that the property tax rate for 2016 has been set at \$528,000 and cautioned that is too low. He explained that we won't receive that much because it is based on the amount collected. Chris Beeson said you could count on about 92% of \$528,000. The budget for 2016 is \$2,500,000 which includes the property tax caps and we will need additional money for social security taxes.

John Lebo made a motion to recommend the re-appointment of Dr. Paul Rider and Elizabeth Bennett to serve another four year term on the Wayne County Board of Health and for Dr. David Keller to serve as Health Officer for a four year term. Our FQHC consultant commented that continuity of the board leadership is very important to HRSA and should not be changed. Dr. Igelman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Coulter told the board of another grant for Outreach & Enrollment funding through HRSA. We received notice from our Grant Management Specialist that HRSA has increased our supplemental funding to \$90,500 through May 2017. We will use the additional funding to increase the number of days that Claim Aid will be here from three days to five days a week, with two people being here one day a week. Dr. Coulter showed the board the costs to add additional days. The grant will pay for the additional three days. This will take effect on December 1, 2015. Claim Aid has qualified two-hundred and five patients to date and referred to the Wayne County Community Health Center, and on average they have an 80% approval rate.

Dr. Coulter told the board the number of flu shots given to date is 2,881. This is many more than last year at this time.

Dr. Coulter told the board that we just found out that there is funding available for a dental program. The funding amount is \$350,000 each year for two years. We would have to have a full-time dentist and support personnel. Start-up costs and equipment are included in this amount. The application date is January 19, 2016. Dr. Coulter reminded the board that in 2010 we actually had a dental survey of our clients done by Ball State University and it showed that 69% of those surveyed said they would use dental services if added to the clinic. There could also be capital funding available within one year.

Dr. Coulter discussed the 340b program that comes along with being FQHC. Kim has been in touch with Reid Health and said that we need a consultant to help us set it up and help qualify the patients. We may have to keep a "private stock" for some patients. The issue is do we try to do this program with a local pharmacy if they are qualified or work with a company already established. Dr. Rider recommended working with a local pharmacy if possible.

Dr. Coulter told the board that a new Nurse Practitioner will start on December 2, our Physician Assistant will be going on FMLA in December.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, Dec 16, 2015 at 2:00 PM with the Community Health Center User Board in the multipurpose room.

Dr. Rider made a motion to adjourn. Dr. Igelman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Richard Siebert, Chairperson

Date

