

LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health  
October 14, 2014

I. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5:00 PM by Heidi Stark at the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department. Members Present: Roma Amundson, Alan Doster, Doug Emery, Karla Lester, Jacquelyn Miller, Michelle Petersen, Brittany Behrens (ex-officio), Tim Sieh (ex-officio) and Heidi Stark.

Members Absent: Craig Strong, Mike Tavlin, and Rick Hoppe (ex-officio).

Staff Present: Scott Holmes, Charlotte Burke, Steve Frederick, Steve Beal, Tim Timmons, Nancy Clark, Andrea Haberman, Jim Bare and Elaine Severe.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Stark asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Lester that the Agenda be approved as printed. Second by Mr. Emery. Motion carried by acclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Stark asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Minutes.

Motion: Moved by Ms. Amundson that the September 9, 2014 Minutes be approved as printed. Second by Dr. Miller. Motion carried by acclamation.

III. PUBLIC SESSION

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Health Director Update

Mr. Holmes stated the monthly activities were included in the Department Report.

IV. CURRENT BUSINESS (Action items)

V. CURRENT BUSINESS (Information Items)

A. Summer Food Program Update

Ms. Burke provided an update on the Summer Food Program. The Program provided 88,725 meals (31,632 breakfasts and 57,093 lunches) averaging 1,706 meals per day over the 52 days of operation. She stated approximately 2,850

children received meals and 42% of the meals were provided to non-white children. The Department of Education administers the USDA school nutrition funds that include the Summer Food Service Program. The Department contracts with Lincoln Public Schools to prepare the meals. She stated 97% of the direct expenses of the program were covered by reimbursement and the remaining 3% of the direct expenses were covered by community cash donations. Donations were received from United Way, First Evangelical Free Church, Elks Lodge, Craftsmen Lodge, a retired teacher's group and a Parks & Recreation Department grant.

B. Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Team Activities

Ms. Clark provided an update on the Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Team activities. Staff, along with Lincoln Fire & Rescue, complete specialized training and participate in special exercises to respond to hazardous materials incidents. She reviewed how Health Department roles compliment those of other responders. Incidents may include illegal dumping situations, cleanup of meth labs, hazardous materials disposal, weather related events, i.e. tornados. She reviewed the number of cases handled by the Department and noted key staff are on call 24/7.

C. Seasonal Flu Update

Mr. Timmons provided an update on seasonal flu in the community. He stated the Department began surveillance on October 1, 2014. To date, there are no flu cases in Lancaster County. Mr. Timmons & Dr. Peterson taped a segment on seasonal flu, who should receive the vaccine etc., that is currently airing on Channel 10 Health.

Mr. Timmons provided an update on Ebola and stated outbreaks are occurring in West Africa and there are no outbreaks in the United States. He noted health care workers who take care of Ebola patients are at a higher risk of contracting the virus. The general public is usually at a very low risk of contracting the virus. Staff continue to work with local and national health officials on a daily basis to stay abreast of the latest information.

D. HEROES Program - Children's Hospital & Medical Center In Affiliation With Teach A Kid To Fish

Dr. Lester provided information on the Teach A Kid To Fish Program. Highlights included the mission, vision, goals and focus areas. Goals for the Program include providing prevention and treatment programs ranging from early childhood to adolescence to decrease the rate of obesity in children. Focus areas include health care, early childhood, community, schools and youth. Children's Hospital and Medical Center in Omaha has agreed to set up a Satellite Clinic in Lincoln utilizing Nebraska Medical Association's Clinical Childhood Obesity Model. The HEROES (Healthy Eating with Resources, Options & Everyday Strategies) Clinic will operate one day per week at 84<sup>th</sup> & Pioneers Boulevard. The program includes clinic outpatient visits, education and fitness classes. Collaboration with Children's Hospital and Medical Center will help Teach A Kid To Fish to further achieve their goals.

VI. FUTURE BUSINESS

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting - November 4, 2014 - 5:00 PM

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 PM.

Elaine Severe  
Recording Secretary

Jacquelyn Miller  
Vice-President