

State of Illinois
Counties of St. Clair
East Side Health District
Monday, July 13, 2020

Proceedings of the Board of Health

A regular meeting of the Board of the East Side Health District in the City of East St. Louis, County of St. Clair, State of Illinois, was held on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 10:40 a.m. The following members were present: Mark Kern - via WebEx; – Norman Miller -Present – Alvin Parks –Present– Vanessa Chapman – via WebEx; Curtis McCall – Absent. Quorum present. Meeting chaired by Mark Kern.

Also Present:

Elizabeth Patton-Whiteside, Administrator; Phil Rice, Atty., Micah Prior, WU Intern

1. Approval of Minutes from Monday, June 8, 2020

2. Administrators Report

- 646 Building Proposal – Micah & power point.
- Travel Restrictions – Discussed in great length. New travel policy to be instituted for any employee that travels out of the country or into any designated internal United States COVID hot spot, that they are tested within four days of return and placed in quarantine until lab results returned. Follow the appropriate IDPH guidelines once result determined.
- Grant Update –
COVID 19 – Money not received. We are scheduled to go live with the new COVID software on July 27th but IDPH has been informed that we will not hire CT staff until they release money. Meeting set up with IDPH on Tuesday at 9 am to discuss issues.

SBHC & Vivian Adams SBHC – Meeting set on June 24th to discuss with IDPH for guidelines for reopening SBHC.

Dental services need to be suspended for District 189 due to COVID-19 pandemic concerns. District to be notified.

Motion: Motion to approve and seconded. Upon Roll Call - Mark Kern- yes; Norman Miller -Yes; Alvin Parks – yes; Vanessa Chapman –yes; - Curtis McCall – absent. The Motion carried.

- Reorganization of ESHD –
Replacement contract for LEHP services discussed in length. Decision of board to hire Mr. Douglas King Part-Time to fill in obligations of certification requirements. Tiffany Boehler will be hired as Program Manager. Charme is sitting for her LEHP in August, presently she is the Acting Director. If she passes then she will be promoted to Director.

Motion: Motion to approve and seconded. Upon Roll Call - Mark Kern- yes; Norman Miller -Yes; Alvin Parks – yes; Vanessa Chapman –yes; - Curtis McCall – absent. The Motion carried.

- New employees – 4 new RNs – 3 assigned to the Nursing Department to cover infectious disease and normal nursing department duties. This brings the nursing department into compliance to perform more activities. 1 assigned to the Family Case Management Department to continue the APORS grant. We were in jeopardy of losing that grant due not having a RN to oversee the high-risk infants
1 Health Educator to assist with the COVID 19 clients
1 Family Case Manager to replace one who resigned due to the COVID outbreak
1 Interpreter and 1 PM for Environmental Health

Motion: Motion to approve and seconded. Upon Roll Call - Mark Kern- yes; Norman Miller -Yes; Alvin Parks – yes; Vanessa Chapman –yes; - Curtis McCall – absent. The Motion carried.

- Financial Situation - stable
- SR/WIC Summer Food Vouchers begin 7/22, 2020 – Cahokia WIC site; 7/16/20 – East Side Health District; TBD – Fairmont City Library; Brooklyn/Lovejoy will not be done this year. Will plan to open next year if possible. Vouchers are distributed by appointment only due to clinics not open to the general public at this time.
- Juneteenth Holiday – It was brought to my attention that SCC is now observing Juneteenth as a paid holiday. It has been requested that ESHD also be afforded the same holiday.

Motion: Motion to approve and seconded. Upon Roll Call - Mark Kern- yes; Norman Miller -Yes; Alvin Parks – yes; Vanessa Chapman –yes; - Curtis McCall – absent. The Motion carried.

3. Finance Committee Report

Disbursements for June 2020

Motion: Motion to approve and seconded. Upon Roll Call - Mark Kern- yes; Norman Miller -Yes; Alvin Parks – yes; Vanessa Chapman –yes; - Curtis McCall – absent. The Motion carried.

4. Attorneys Report – Will not be available for August meeting.

5. Board Comments – None

6. Motion to adjourn until Monday, August 10, 2020

Motion: Motion to approve and seconded. Upon Roll Call - Mark Kern- yes; Norman Miller -Yes; Alvin Parks – yes; Vanessa Chapman –yes; - Curtis McCall – absent.

The Motion carried.