

## APPROVED MINUTES Board of Health February 26 @ 5:00 PM Health & Human Services Building – Room 2001 303 West Chapel Street Dodgeville, WI 53533

Iowa County Wisconsin

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Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Bruce Paull at 5:00 PM
Roll Call was taken. Members present: Bruce Paull, Tom Howard, Tom Forbes, Sue Steudel, Joan Davis, Judy Lindholm. Excused: Linda Pittz. Others present: Sue Matye, Director/Health Officer; Steve Deal, County Board Member; Dr. Peter Mullin, Medical Advisor.
<b>Approve the agenda for this February 26, 2020 meeting.</b> Lindholm moved to approve the agenda. Davis seconded the motion. Motion passed.
<b>Approve the minutes of the December 11, 2019 meeting.</b> Howard moved to approve the minutes. Lindholm seconded the motion. Motion passed.
Report from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the board. No action will be taken. Forbes asked if the motion made at the last Board of Health meeting regarding hiring of a new health director was followed up on. Director Matye stated that there had been some communication between Linda Pittz and Larry Bierke and one of them could be contacted to answer this question.
<b>Program Updates.</b> Communicable diseases (Influenza, Coronavirus): Director Matye stated that we are experiencing high activity of influenza-type illnesses, that in Wisconsin, there were 17,210 cases last year and 19,496 cases this year to date, and that there had been 126 deaths this year compared to 44 deaths last year. She said that the vaccine used this year was a fairly good match regarding effectiveness. A general discussion regarding flu etiology and associated social implications followed. Director Matye then gave a brief presentation on the background, spread, current status, and societal preparedness concerns related to the Coronavirus outbreak.
<b>Monthly Reports.</b> Director Matye distributed copies of the 2019 Summary of Monthly reports to Board Members and a summary of the January 2020 reports.
<b>Updated Strategic Plan.</b> Director Matye distributed copies of the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan to Board Members.
<b>Director/Health Officer Transition.</b> Director Matye said that the incoming Health Department Director, Debbie Siegenthaler would start in her position on March 18, 2020 and that Matye's last day would be March 20, 2020.
Next Meeting Date. To be announced.
<b>Adjournment.</b> Lindholm moved to adjourn. Howard seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 5:56 PM.

Minutes submitted by Tom Howard, Iowa County Board of Health secretary