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WEDCO BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

Monday, September 11, 2017

WEDCO District Health Department
Conference Room

Cynthiana, Kentucky

6:00 P.M.

Dr. Bennett, Chairman
Judge Barnett, Vice Chairman
Members Present:

Harrison County
Brett Hines, OD
Dr. Derek Clarke

Nicholas County
Becky Reid

Scott County
Jared Hollon, Judge Designee
John M Bennett, M.D
Jan Sharpe
Sherry Taylor, RN

Members Absent:

Harrison County
Alex Barnett, Judge Executive

Nicholas County
Mike Pryor, Judge Executive

Scott County

Staff and Guests Present: Rachel Kendall, Dr. Crystal Miller, and Kathie Tucker

With a roll call showing a quorum present; Dr. Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Miller asked the board for a motion to approve the June 12, 2017 minutes and the consent agenda.

MOTION #1
Motion was made by Dr. Clarke to approve the consent agenda which included minutes from September 11, 2017. Becky Reid seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Sherry Taylor – Abstain
Becky Reid - Yes
Dr. Hines – Yes
Dr. Bennett -- Yes

Jared Hollon – Yes
Dr. Derek Clarke – Yes
Jan Sharpe -- Abstain

No further discussion. Motion passed without opposition.

With no further old business to discuss, the meeting moved forward to new business, and the next agenda item which asked for a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters.

MOTION #2
Motion was made by Jan Sharpe to move into closed session to discuss personnel issues. Jared Hollon seconded the motion.
Roll Call:
Sherry Taylor – Yes
Becky Reid - Yes
Dr. Hines – Yes

Jared Hollon – Yes
Dr. Derek Clarke – Yes
Jan Sharpe - Yes

No further discussion. Motion passed without opposition.

MOTION #3
Motion was made by Jan Sharpe to move into open session. Jared Hollon seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Sherry Taylor – Yes
Becky Reid - Yes
Dr. Hines – Yes

Jared Hollon – Yes
Dr. Derek Clarke – Yes
Jan Sharpe - Yes

No further discussion. Motion passed without opposition.

MOTION #4
Motion was made by Jan Sharpe to expend funds of $1000 for each full time employee. Dr. Clarke seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Sherry Taylor – Yes
Becky Reid - Yes
Dr. Hines – Yes

Jared Hollon – Yes
Dr. Derek Clarke – Yes
Jan Sharpe - Yes

No further discussion. Motion passed without opposition.

The next item of business was the Directors Report by Dr. Crystal Miller. Dr. Miller advised the board that the Department for Public Health has termed their contract with eClinical Works. WEDCO had not piloted this program so WEDCO will continue to operate as usual. Staff were recently surveyed on closing December 27 and 28 for the Christmas holiday. 97% of WEDCO staff responded they would be willing to take their annual leave for those two days. Therefore, the decision has been made to close the WEDCO offices on December 27-28 operating with only a skeleton crew to do essential services. Dr. Miller attached the latest community report regarding the Harrison County Needle Exchange Program. WEDCO has seen an increase in people participating with this program. Gene Thomas, Dr. Miller, Mayor Prather and Judge Lusby are all working with other partners to resolve the sewer issue surrounding the Ponderosa and Spindletop mobile home parks. Jan Sharpe is on the KALBOH board which represents local boards of health. This is great exposure for WEDCO. Dr. Miller referred the board members to the back of their packet and information attached from KALBOH. The State continues to work toward the red tape reduction. Dr. Miller requested a motion for support of the updated resolution supporting a comprehensive review of the Kentucky Administrative Regulations that seem to conflict with Kentucky Revised Statues which grant local health departments and boards of health authority.
MOTION #5
Motion was made by Becky Reid to support the KALBOH resolution. Dr. Clarke seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Sherry Taylor – Yes
Becky Reid - Yes
Dr. Hines – Yes

Jared Hollon – Yes
Dr. Derek Clarke – Yes
Jan Sharpe - Yes

No further discussion. Motion passed without opposition.

Dr. Miller told the board that she has officially been with WEDCO 10 years. She explained to the board that she has many goals for the next year and wants to concentrate on leadership and development of the staff. She is currently being trained in Emergenetics and is part of Leadership Scott County. Emergenetics can distinguish how a person thinks and allows people to form teams with different characteristics. Dr. Miller will be able to do Emergenetics on all staff once she is fully trained. Also, a large agency goal will be finalizing Accreditation, Leadership training for all staff, Professional Development program for staff that are interested, Quality Improvement, and Performance Management. Attached to the board packet is an outline of current QI projects the agency is working on.

Dr. Miller advised the board that the retirement contribution rate has now risen to 84.06%. We are now paying more toward retirement than we pay toward salary. This increase is over a million dollars! Much discussion ensued regarding how local health departments will be able to afford this increase.

Lastly, Dr. Miller explained that the Clark County Public Health Director position was open and she had approached their board about re-joining the WEDCO District. Clark County had belonged to WEDCO when the District was first formed. To date, there has been no interest expressed on their part.

The next WEDCO District Board meeting date was set for November 6, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

With no further business to discuss Dr. Bennett called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION #6
Motion was made by Jan Sharpe to adjourn. Jared Hollon seconded the motion.

Roll Call:
Sherry Taylor – Yes
Becky Reid - Yes
Dr. Hines – Yes

Jared Hollon – Yes
Dr. Derek Clarke – Yes
Jan Sharpe - Yes
No further discussion. Motion passed without opposition

Meeting adjourned.

Dr. John M. Bennett, Chairman

Date

Dr. Crystal Miller, Secretary

Date