

Washoe County District Board of Health Meeting Minutes

Members

Dr. John Novak, Chair
Michael D. Brown, Vice Chair
Oscar Delgado
Kristopher Dahir
Dr. Reka Danko
Marsha Berkbigler
Tom Young

**Thursday, May 23, 2019
1:00 p.m.**

**Washoe County Administration Complex
Commission Chambers, Building A
1001 East Ninth Street
Reno, NV**

1. *Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Chair Novak called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

The following members and staff were present:

Members present: Dr. John Novak, Chair
Michael Brown, Vice Chair
Dr. Reka Danko
Oscar Delgado
Kristopher Dahir
Tom Young

Members absent: Marsha Berkbigler

Ms. Rogers verified a quorum was present.

Staff present: Kevin Dick, District Health Officer
Leslie Admirand, Deputy District Attorney
Charlene Albee
Steve Kutz
Randall Todd
Daniel Inouye
Christina Conti
Andrea Esp
Brittany Dayton
Tony Macaluso
Lisa Lottritz

2. *Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Young led the pledge to the flag.

3. *Public Comment

As there was no one wishing to speak, Chair Novak closed the public comment period.

4. Approval of Agenda

May 23, 2019

Mr. Delgado moved to approve the agenda for the May 23, 2019, District Board of Health regular meeting. Mr. Dahir seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

5. Recognitions

A. Retirements

i. Phil Ulibarri, 5/31/2019, Public Health Communications Manager – ODHO

Mr. Dick informed that Mr. Ulibarri, who was not able to be in attendance, had served the Health District for over twenty-seven years. He noted Mr. Ulibarri would be presented with a clock as a token of appreciation for his years of service.

ii. Janet Piette, 6/14/2019, Community Health Nutritionist – CCHS

Mr. Dick stated that Ms. Piette will be retiring on June 14th with twenty-two years of service as a Community Health Nutritionist with the Health District's WIC Program. He read the inscription of the clock presented to Ms. Piette and thanked her for her service.

B. Years of Service

i. David Kelly, 15 years, Hired 5/3/2004 - EHS

Mr. Kelly was not in attendance. Mr. Dick informed he works as a Senior Environmental Health Specialist in the Well and Septic Program.

ii. Krista Hunt, 15 years, Hired 5/6/2004 - EHS

Mr. Dick stated Ms. Hunt has fifteen years of service as an Environmental Health Specialist in the Vector Program and thanked her for her service to the Health District.

C. New Hires

i. Tasha Pascal, Public Health Nurse I, 5/13/2019 – CCHS

Mr. Kutz introduced Ms. Pascal and informed she is working in the Immunization Program. He stated she has most recently worked at a local pediatrician's office and has experience in administering vaccines and working with the Vaccines for Children Program.

Mr. Kutz informed Ms. Pascal worked at the Desert Research Institute prior to becoming a nurse. He expressed she is a perfect fit for the Vaccines for Children Program given her experience, and welcomed her to the Health District.

D. Shining Star

i. Chantelle Batton

ii. Michael Lupan

iii. Wesley Rubio

- iv. Dawn Spinola
- v. Holly McGee
- vi. Mary Ellen Matzoll
- vii. Lorena Solorio

Mr. Dick reminded the Board that the Shining Star Awards are to recognize exceptional customer service or performance in the Health District, and that nominations can come from either external customers or staff.

Mr. Dick informed that Ms. Batton, Mr. Lupan, Mr. Rubio and Ms. Spinola have all received three Shining Star Awards. He stated Ms. McGee and Ms. Matzoll both have ten Shining Stars, and Lorena Solorio has an impressive twenty Shining Star Awards. He congratulated all of the recipients for their excellent service.

6. Proclamations

Emergency Medical Services Week

Accepted by: Christina Conti

Mr. Dick read the Proclamation for those present.

Chair Novak expressed that a great deal is owed to these public servants and recognized Reno Fire Department, North Lake Tahoe Fire District, REMSA, the Mount Rose Ski Patrol, Sparks Fire Department and Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, and thanked them all for attending the meeting to be recognized and for their service.

Mr. Delgado moved to adopt the Proclamation for Emergency Medical Services Week. Mr. Dahir seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

7. Consent Items

Matters which the District Board of Health may consider in one motion. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

Mr. Dick informed that item 7F will need to be pulled from the Consent agenda. He explained this item was for donation of goods, but opined there may be need for these items internally within the Health District or the County.

A. Approval of Draft Minutes

- i. April 25, 2019

B. Budget Amendments/Interlocal Agreements

- i. Approve a Notice of Subaward from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public & Behavioral Health retroactive to January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 in the total amount of \$135,000.00 (no required match) in support of the Community and Clinical Health Services Division (CCHS) Sexually Transmitted Disease Prevention and Control Program IO# 11578 and authorize the District Health Officer to execute the Notice of Subaward.
Staff Representative: Nancy Kerns Cummins

- ii. Approve a Notice of Subaward from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public & Behavioral Health retroactive to January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 in the total amount of \$63,503.00 (no required match) in support of the Community and Clinical Health Services Division (CCHS) HIV Surveillance Program IO# TBD and authorize the District Health Officer to execute the Notice of Subaward.
Staff Representative: Nancy Kerns Cummins

- C. Approval of authorization to travel and travel reimbursements for NACCHO and NALBOH Conference and Meetings for non-County employee Dr. John Novak for FY20 in the approximate amount of \$5500.
Staff Representative: Kevin Dick
- D. Approve Interlocal Contract between the State of Nevada, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Protection and the Washoe County Health District for the period upon Board of Examiners approval through June 30, 2021 in the total amount of \$250,000 (\$125,000 per fiscal year) in support of the Environmental Health Services Division (EHS) Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Program, IO 10017; and if approved, authorize the District Health Officer to execute the Agreement.
Staff Representative: Jennifer Pierce
- E. Presentation, discussion, and possible approval of the donation of three obsolete ambient air monitoring shelters with a current market value estimated at \$-0- that have exceeded the useful value for regulatory purposes but may still have value for educational, research, and community organizations.
Staff Representative: Daniel Inouye
- F. Presentation, discussion, and possible approval of the donation of various pieces of surplus office furniture and supplies with a current market value estimated at \$-0- that have exceeded the useful value for programmatic purposes but may still have value for educational, research and community organizations. **(Removed from agenda)**
Staff Representative: Charlene Albee
- G. Recommendation to Uphold Citations Not Appealed to the Air Pollution Control Hearing Board.
i. Southern Way Industrial Investors LP – Case No. 1210, NOV No. 5700
Staff Representative: Dan Inouye
- H. Acknowledge receipt of the Health Fund Financial Review for April, Fiscal Year 2019
Staff Representative: Anna Heenan

Mr. Dahir moved to accept the Consent Agenda items A through E, and G and H. Mr. Delgado seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

8. *Alternate Care Site Exercise Presentation

Staff Representative: Andrea Esp and Brittany Dayton

Ms. Esp, Public Health Emergency Response Coordinator and Ms. Dayton, EMS Coordinator, introduced themselves. Ms. Esp informed some of the images projected on the screen depicting scenes from the Alternate Care Site Exercise are graphic, but explained they are not real wounds.

Ms. Esp stated that on April 25th, a table top exercise was held to evaluate the Evaluation Committee which makes the determination and recommendation if an alternate care site is needed in this region. This committee also makes the recommendation on which healthcare system will oversee the alternate care site. On the 25th, a Joint Information Center was initiated and operated from April 25th through May 2nd, at which time the training component began and lasted for several days. She stated the goal was to train the regional providers to set up alternate care sites, and informed REMSA, who houses the tents for the sites, developed a training program and provided instruction.

Ms. Esp detailed the training process and progress made in the set up time of the tents, informing the goal is to have a cadre of persons who can set up the tents and train others to

minimize reliance on REMSA who would be quite busy in the event of an actual disaster.

On May 2nd, Ms. Esp informed a full-scale exercise began at 6:00 a.m. and stated two of the DBOH Board Members participated as patients in the exercise. She explained the patients reported to their assigned hospitals at 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and outlined the different medical scenarios that the responders were faced with during the exercise.

Ms. Esp stated there was a mock press conference held after the exercise at the Regional Operations Center, coordinated by Ms. Dayton.

On May 3rd, the tents were disassembled in a training session with REMSA's oversight.

Ms. Dayton informed that there was media coverage from KOLO, KNRV, KTVN and several airings on the radio on KOH during the exercise. There was a combined viewership of over 76,000 individuals with a publicity value of over \$7,000.

Ms. Dayton highlighted the major role of Ms. Esp and Ms. Lawson in the organization of this exercise.

Chair Novak informed that Mr. Dahir and he were the board member patients in the exercise, and expressed his thanks to all staff members at the Health District who were involved in the production of this exercise. He also extended thanks to the partners that were involved in this exercise, the Inter Hospital Coordinating Council, Northern Nevada Medical Center, Saint Mary's Regional Hospital, Renown Health, Reno Fire, and a special thanks to REMSA, Ms. Dayton and Ms. Esp. He noted that, while table top exercises are important, only a live exercise can bring to light the issues that can arise during an actual event.

Mr. Dahir informed that he had the honor of having a heart attack at the exercise and stated that the wounds looked very real, but most importantly, those involved are doing their best to be prepared to respond in the event of an actual emergency.

9. Review, discussion and possible adoption of the Business Impact Statement regarding a proposed revision to the District Board of Health Fee Schedule, referenced in Section 020.085 of the Washoe County District Board of Health Regulations Governing Food Establishments, for the newly formed category of Mobile Food Unit Pre-Packaged Food Permit with a finding the proposed fee will not impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business; nor does the proposed fee directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a business; and set a public hearing for possible adoption of the proposed fee for June 27, 2019, at 1:00 pm.

Staff Representative: Charlene Albee

Ms. Albee informed this item was prepared in response to the Board's request to evaluate one of the food service fees. She stated that Mr. Macaluso, EHS Supervisor for the Food Program, lead the development of the proposed revision to the DBOH Fee Schedule.

Mr. Macaluso gave credit to all staff who worked on this project. He informed he was present to request approval of the Business Impact Statement in regards to mobile food units and stated a new category has been created within the fee structure for mobile food units, particularly in regards to ice cream trucks that sell prepackaged items. He stated that, after the review of inspection times and making a few adjustments, EHS was able to lower the fee from \$500 to \$308 and will affect approximately thirty-seven mobile units.

Mr. Macaluso informed that two workshops were held and those affected were notified of the workshops, but that no one attended.

Mr. Young opined that having separate categories for mobile units that sell prepackaged goods from those who are more high-risk because of food preparation is beneficial.

Mr. Dahir inquired how the distinction between the two categories will be discerned. Mr. Macaluso informed only units that sell strictly prepackaged food items will fall within the lower permit fee structure.

Mr. Brown moved to adopt the Business Impact Statement regarding a proposed revision to the District Board of Health Fee Schedule, and set a public hearing for possible adoption of the proposed fee for June 27, 2019, at 1:00 pm. Mr. Young seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

10. *Regional Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board May Meeting Summary

Staff Representative: Christina Conti

Ms. Conti informed she was present to provide an update to the May meeting for the EMS Advisory Board. She stated that the multi-day table top noted in her report to prepare for the November 2019 Complex Coordinated Terrorism Attack was held the week of May 20th and was extremely successful. It included five different modules to take the region through a scenario that ranged from steady state back to steady state and included an environmental health module, a damage assessment module, volunteer donations management and family assistance, which are secondary responses. The initial response included first responders working under the principles of the Mass Casualty Incident Plan and the Alpha Plan. She thanked all those who participated, and informed that some partners attended all five of the modules which was a large time commitment.

Ms. Conti informed there were a few out-of-County fire agencies that may join the Protocols Task Force, and opined it to be a sign of success for the work of the Task Force.

Ms. Conti stated that REMSA has been approved to use penalty funds for the RightDose Drug Dosing Guide that will complement the Protocols by providing accurate dosage amounts by body weight.

Ms. Conti noted the attachments in the Board member's packets; the FY19 EMS Oversight Program Mid-Year Data Report, the Nurse Health Line Alpha and Omega Call Report and the Mutual Aid and Cooperative Agreements, which is an annual strategic planning item. She informed the next item on this agenda to be brought before the Board will be the revised Strategic Plan.

Ms. Conti informed that the May EMS Advisory Board Meeting was Manager Slaughter and Fire Chief Maples' last meeting due their retirements.

11. Presentation, discussion, possible approval of the Washoe County EMS Strategic Plan (2019-2023), a requirement of the Interlocal Agreement for Emergency Medical Services Oversight.

Staff Representative: Brittany Dayton

Ms. Dayton stated this item is the final draft of the Washoe County EMS Strategic Plan for 2019-2023. She informed this Plan was presented to the EMS Advisory Board during the meeting of May 2nd and members approved the plan with two revisions; one revision to Goal #3 and one to Goal #4 as shown in the tracked changes in the attached report.

Ms. Dayton extended thanks to all of the EMS partners in attendance whose contributions were invaluable.

Mr. Brown moved to approve the Washoe County EMS Strategic Plan (2019-2023). Mr. Dahir seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

12. Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority

Presented by: Dean Dow and Adam Heinz

A. Review and Acceptance of the REMSA Operations Report for April, 2019

Mr. Dow, President and CEO of REMSA, informed he was available to answer any questions

Mr. Brown moved to accept the REMSA Operations Reports for April, 2019. Mr. Delgado seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

B. *Update of REMSA's Public Relations during April 2019

Mr. Heinz, Director for REMSA, informed that May is known for several health related awareness campaigns; Health Month, Stroke Awareness and Prevention Month and Anaphylaxis Awareness Month. He stated REMSA posted several videos on their digital platform and made themselves available to media partners for the greatest outreach impact to the community. He stated that videos can be viewed at <https://www.remsahealth.com/>.

Mr. Heinz stated that the third week of May is EMS Week, and that this year's theme is "Beyond the Call". He explained that REMSA planned a variety of events for crews and staff focused on staff health and well-being.

Mr. Heinz thanked Health Officer Dick, Councilman Dahir, Chief Maples and Dr. Todd for attending the awards luncheon that had been held the previous day. He expressed they were thrilled to celebrate and recognize the hard work and important contributions that REMSA's support staff and ground and air ambulance providers make in Washoe County. He informed REMSA can be found on Facebook and LinkedIn where the photos from that event can be viewed.

Mr. Dahir expressed how great it was to see the awards presented and hear the stories of their service.

13. Update regarding Bill Draft Requests and Bill Drafts for the 2019 Legislative session.

Staff Representative: Kevin Dick

Mr. Dick informed that May 17th was the deadline for passage of bills out of committee in the second house, and May 24th is the deadline for passage of bills out of the second house, excluding bills that are exempted or have a waiver.

AB1 would have eliminated the requirement for the Health District to publish public notices for Air Quality Management regulatory changes in the newspaper; this bill is dead.

AB66 for Crisis Stabilization Centers is a bill from the Washoe Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board. It was passed out of the Senate Health and Human Services committee and had already been through the Assembly. It received an amendment to add provisions to make providing assistance to patients with behavioral health issues easier. It is expected to pass through the full Senate on the 24th to meet the deadline.

AB76, a Southern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board bill, will create a fifth Behavioral Health Policy Board by combining Clark County with Southern Nye County to form the Clark County Behavioral Health Policy Board. The Southern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board will become the Northern Nye County, Esmerelda and Mineral Behavioral Health Policy Board. Mr. Dick opined that change beneficial to reflect the common issues of rural areas.

AB85, the Northern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board bill to clarify some of the Legal 2000 provisions in statute and remove stigmatizing language regarding mental illness has been approved by the Governor.

AB123 - A bill regarding parental notification of medical or religious exemptions from vaccination that had been amended to remove the requirement to submit exemptions annually to their children's school is now dead. Mr. Dick informed the Health District had worked toward that end and is pleased with the outcome.

AB169, the bill regarding the Maternal Mortality Review Committee, has been sent to the

Governor. Mr. Dick informed this is similar to the Health District's Fetal Infant Mortality Review work that is being done, but will focus on maternal mortalities.

AB231 – Originally of concern to the Health District due to language that would have not required smog checks for older vehicles, this bill was revised to remove those provisions. This bill has gone on to the Governor for approval.

AB317 – There were concerns about this bill regarding state approval for trauma centers, but the bill was amended to apply only to Clark County.

AB533 – This bill would form the Cannabis Compliance Board and includes provisions for consumption lounges and local zoning ordinances. It is going to the Assembly Judiciary for a Work Session on June 24th and is expected to move forward.

AB534 is a bill in response to the October 1st tragedy in Las Vegas and would provide for victims of crime for provisions in emergency response plans to accept donations, reimburse victims and provide for licensing boards to identify volunteers that are willing to help in an emergency. This bill is expected to move forward.

SB37 – This bill would expand the practice of family therapists and clinical professional counselors in Nevada to be able to treat psychotic disorders. It has passed the Assembly committee and is to the Assembly.

SB68 is a bill for the provisional registration of volunteer health practitioners and is also in response to the October 1st Las Vegas tragedy; it has been signed by the Governor.

SB94 for Family Planning Services has had the appropriation removed from the bill but funding is included in the Governor's budget. It has passed through the committee and on to the Assembly for approval.

SB104 would allow local government to change their building and impact fees to incentivize affordable housing. This bill has gone through both houses.

SB159 is the sunscreen bill that would allow for children to apply sunscreen without going to the school nurse. It has been approved by the Governor.

SB171 would expand the minimum data set that is collected through the licensing boards regarding the practices of licensed health care providers to better gauge availability for access to services. It also includes reporting of markers for chronic disease from laboratories, such as the A1C test results for diabetes. This bill is exempt.

SB192 establishes minimum levels of health benefits that are required to be provided for employees who are paid the alternative minimum wage of one dollar less per hour if health care benefits are provided.

SB204 requires school districts to maintain policies for prevention of suicide in grades seven through twelve. This bill is through the Senate and is now in the Assembly; it has been declared exempt and Mr. Dick expressed hope that it would move forward.

SB263 is Senator Ratti's bill to regulate e-cigarettes more thoroughly by requiring licensing for wholesale and retail establishments. Mr. Dick informed there is a work group that is developing enforcement provisions. It would provide for these products to be included under the other tobacco product tax of thirty percent of wholesale. The provision for tax revenue to provide funding for public health will not move forward; funding will be directed toward prevention activities for e-cigarettes. This bill is exempt and is subject to the two thirds approval provisions because of the change in the licensing fees and the tax component.

SB270 is for the Nevada Housing Crisis Response System and has been enrolled for the Governor's signature. This bill would provide for crisis response for people who are at risk of losing their housing. Mr. Dick highlighted provisions in this bill that Health and Human Services can establish regulations that require entities they fund to participate in this response

system. He stated it is unclear what that might entail and who it would affect, but is possible that it would contain an unfunded mandate.

SB284 is for HIV exposure and modernization of the approach in regards to statutes and regulations. Mr. Dick noted that currently there has been criminalization of people that expose others to HIV, but with the advances in treatment of HIV, the disease can be treated to the point that it is not communicable. He informed that Ms. Howell with the Communicable Clinical Health Services program was invited to the Governor's signing ceremony.

SB291 is a bill for testing infants for preventable or inheritable disorders as recommended by Health Resources and Services Administration and requires testing to be done by the Nevada Public Health Lab at UNR. The bill has been enrolled for the Governor's signature.

SB299 provides for the electric utility to grant incentives for school districts to support up to seventy-five percent of the cost of electric vehicle infrastructure or electric school buses.

SB312 provides for paid sick leave for employees in businesses with fifty or more employees. This bill is exempt.

SB315 for the Rare Disease Advisory Council for childhood cancer awareness provides for special license plates. It passed through the second house on May 22nd.

SB418 was of great concern to the Health District and would have allowed the sale of raw milk in Nevada. Mr. Dick explained that, through work with Assemblywoman Cohen, the bill was not heard in the Assembly and is now dead.

SB425 is one of the legislative priorities for the District Board of Health for the 1915(i) Medicaid waiver expansion that would provide for reimbursement for tenancy support services for homeless persons who are severely mentally ill. This bill is exempt.

SB448 - this bill regarding affordable housing transferable tax credits has passed through the Senate and is now in Assembly Taxation. Mr. Dick noted this is one of the legislative priorities for the Board and provides ten million dollars per year over a four year pilot for those transferrable tax credits.

SB544 is a bill for the Patient Protection Commission to review issues related to health care needs of residents in Nevada for quality, accessibility and affordability of health care. It passed from the Senate Health and Human Services on May 20th; Mr. Dick informed there is a waiver for that bill and it is expected to move forward.

Mr. Dick thanked the Board for approving the Government Affairs Liaison position as he would not have been able to monitor the tremendous amount of activity in the legislative session without the assistance of Ms. Gutman. He opined the Health District has been able to have a much greater presence in the legislature this session and are poised to move from this session to prepare well in advance for the next session.

Mr. Brown commented on SB329 that was signed by the Governor on May 22nd in regards to utility providers who are now working more closely with local jurisdictions throughout Nevada. This bill is in response to last season's fires in California, and all utility providers will now be included in the Community Wildfire Prevention Plans (CWPP) along with local jurisdictions. He informed that, when plans are written for thinning or prescribed fire, the prescriptions will come through the Health District because of the air quality issues.

Chair Novak informed that Mr. Brown was highly influential in this bill being passed and thanked him for his efforts.

Mr. Brown moved to accept the Update regarding Bill Draft Requests and Bill Drafts for the 2019 Legislative session. Mr. Delgado seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

14. *Staff Reports and Program Updates

A. Air Quality Management, Daniel Inouye, Acting Director

Program Update - Updated Design Values, Divisional Update, Program Reports (Monitoring and Planning; Permitting and Enforcement)

Mr. Inouye provided an update on the air quality monitoring station relocation from downtown Reno to Libby Booth Elementary, informing that earlier this week an application had been submitted for a building permit to the City of Reno. NV Energy is finalizing plans to provide electrical service to that location and AQM is in the process of obtaining bids for the shelter, footings and fencing. He stated the site will be in operation by July 1st and they hope to be collecting data by early summer 2019.

B. Community and Clinical Health Services, Steve Kutz, Director

Divisional Update – Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month; Data & Metrics; Sexual Health, Immunizations, Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Program, Family Planning/Teen Health Mall, Chronic Disease Prevention Program, Maternal Child and Adolescent Health, and Women Infants and Children

There were no questions for Mr. Kutz regarding his report from the Board. He introduced Ms. Lottritz for her presentation to the Board on Family Planning and Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month.

Ms. Lottritz, Public Health Nursing Supervisor for the Family Planning Program, informed she would be providing information on the Family Planning and Teen Health Mall Programs, specifically teen pregnancy, and on the project with the Washoe County Sheriff's Office.

Ms. Lottritz explained that pregnant adolescents have a higher risk of negative outcomes related to birth which impacts their life and their child's, they are more likely to end their pregnancy in abortion and less likely to receive prenatal care. She detailed factors that can elevate poor overall outcomes for all life stages of these children.

Ms. Lottritz informed the overall teen birth rate declined by nine percent to 209,809 in 2016. She detailed statistics for Nevada State and Washoe County teen birth rates, the substantial public savings due to these declines and the positive impacts of reduced teen pregnancy.

Ms. Lottritz reviewed the services provided at the CCHS Teen Health Mall, including youth-focused outreach in schools and in the community. She explained staff receives annual training to assure consistency in services and education provided.

Ms. Lottritz provided an update on the partnership with the Washoe County Sheriff's Office in which, twice per month, Family Planning staff provides birth control methods and reproductive education and planning to female inmates at the County Jail and informed of process improvements in this program.

Mr. Dahir inquired how Washoe County and Nevada compare to other states in regards to teen birth rate. Ms. Lottritz informed Nevada's rate was higher than Washoe County, and Washoe County was slightly higher than the national average.

Mr. Dick informed Nevada ranks thirty-third out of fifty states for teen birth rate and forty-one out of fifty for teen pregnancy.

C. Environmental Health Services, Charlene Albee, Acting Director

Environmental Health Services (EHS) Division Program Updates – Community Development, Epidemiology, Food, Invasive Body Decoration (IBD), Land Development, Safe Drinking Water, Training, Vector and Waste Management, and Inspections.

Ms. Albee provided information on item 7F that had been pulled from the Consent agenda. She informed that Vector is closing their business offices at the Western Road facility and staff will relocate to the County complex on 9th and Wells. With this move, there is a large surplus of office equipment that is not needed for the new location. She informed they offered the surplus to the Health District and Washoe County CSD and all items have been claimed.

Ms. Albee explained that Ms. Franchi will be working with the Fiscal Compliance Officer to assure compliance with grant requirements and that inventory is accurate.

Ms. Albee informed there are a number of rapid QI projects in progress and streamlining that has been done; EHS groups are working together to improve processes across the board and there is good communication and team work.

D. Epidemiology and Public Health Preparedness, Dr. Randall Todd, Director

Program Updates for Communicable Disease, Outbreaks, Measles, Invasive Pneumococcal Disease, Seasonal Influenza Surveillance, PHP Program, Inter-Hospital Coordinating Council, Chemical Response Training, Medical Reserve Corps, Emergency Medical Services, Mass Gatherings, EMS Strategic Planning Initiatives, Mutual Aid Evacuation Agreement (MAEA) Plan Update, Trainings, and REMSA Response Data

Dr. Todd informed that, as of May 17th, there are nationally 880 individual measles cases confirmed in twenty-five states, the highest recorded number of cases since 1994. He reported that there are no cases reported thus far in Washoe County this year. He opined that is in part to the lack of personal choice exemption to immunization requirements, noting there are medical and religious exemptions allowed in Nevada.

Dr. Todd reported on a suspected case of Acute Flaccid Myelitis (AFM), a polio-like syndrome, in a fifteen year old that has presented with symptoms. He informed the case has been reported to CDC and testing is underway.

Should a response for measles be necessary in Washoe County, Mr. Dahir requested that a diligent effort be made to keep City and County Councils informed.

Chair Novak inquired if a fairly accurate estimation could be made for the actual number of measles cases in the U.S., both reported and non-reported. Dr. Todd opined there may be cases not reflected in the number but that he has seen no estimate as to how many more cases there may be.

E. Office of the District Health Officer, Kevin Dick, District Health Officer

District Health Officer Report – Public Health Accreditation (PHAB), Crisis Standards of Care, Washoe Regional Behavioral health Policy Board, Community Health Improvement Plan, Workforce Development, TMHC, Silver Syringe Awards, Other Events and Activities and Health District Media Contacts

Regarding Accreditation, Mr. Dick informed there were a number of items reopened by the PHAB site visit team and those are being readied for resubmission by the end of May. He stated the site visit is on track for June 25-26.

Mr. Dick reported on an exercise that the Health District participated in with Carson City Health and Human Services, Southern Nevada Health District and the State on Crisis Standards of Care. He explained that if there is a situation in which resources are overwhelmed for a continuous period of ninety-six hours or more in which health care cannot be provided based on individual needs due to lack of medical resources to provide that care for everyone in the population, at that point, the Crisis Standards of Care approach would be implemented. Health care would then be provided that would be of the most benefit to the population of the community. He informed this exercise was

based upon the approach the State has established through their plan in which a State Disaster Medical Advisory Committee is formed after a County or State emergency has been declared. The State would assemble the Advisory Committee to make recommendations to the Governor on what those crisis standards of care would be. He opined it to be a very worthwhile exercise in which the State is engaged with the local health districts on how a response in a crisis would be managed.

Mr. Dick reported Truckee Meadows Healthy Communities (TMHC) held a family health festival held on May 20th at the Sparks Christian Fellowship that was attended by over six hundred fifty persons. He informed a number of vaccinations for back-to-school were provided. He thanked the team of regional partners that work with TMHC to make those events possible.

TMHC has partnered with Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency Governing Board and funds have been raised for Enterprise Community Partners through the Regional Strategy on Housing Affordability. Mr. Dick informed of the meeting currently in progress of the TMRPA Governing Board for their acceptance of the premise that components of the Regional Strategy on Housing Affordability can be merged with the Regional Plan that is being prepared at this time. He informed this report includes a number of recommendations about how policies can be developed across the jurisdictions in the community to provide more tools to help support affordable housing.

Mr. Dick informed he had the privilege of attending the Silver Syringe Awards dinner with Mr. Kutz and other Immunization staff members, where Mr. Kutz was awarded the Platinum Syringe Award for his vision, leadership and dedication to immunization. Mr. Dick noted this is an award that is not presented annually and opined it is a lifetime achievement award for Mr. Kutz from Immunize Nevada and the Silver Syringe Awards. He congratulated Mr. Kutz on this prestigious award.

15. *Board Comment

Chair Novak closed the Board comment period.

16. *Public Comment

As there was no one wishing to speak, Chair Novak closed the public comment period.

17. Adjournment

Chair Novak adjourned the meeting at 2:19 p.m.

Possible Changes to Agenda Order and Timing: Items on the agenda may be taken out of order, combined with other items, withdrawn from the agenda, moved to the agenda of another later meeting; moved to or from the Consent section, or they may be voted on in a block. Items with a specific time designation will not be heard prior to the stated time, but may be heard later. Items listed in the Consent section of the agenda are voted on as a block and will not be read or considered separately unless withdrawn from the Consent agenda.

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Washoe County Administration Building, 1001 E. 9th St, Reno, NV

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