Meeting Minutes - Final
BOARD OF HEALTH FOR MADISON AND DANE COUNTY

Thursday, November 17, 2005
7:00 AM
1202 Northport Drive
Room 110

I. Call to Order

Chairperson, Alan I. Schwartzstein, called the meeting to order at 7:07 AM.

Present: Ald. Judy K. Olson, County Supervisor Jeff Kostelic, Susan J. Zahner, Judith M. Wilcox, Linda D. Oakley, Mark Miller, Bill Sonzogni and Alan I. Schwartzstein

Others present: Gareth Johnson, Kathryn Vedder, Muriel Nagle, Patricia Frazak, Tommye Schneider, Jim Clark, David Caes, Ruby Dow, Pamela Abel, Janet Piraino, Lynn Green, Marci Paulsen, Michael P. May, Leslie Hamilton, Tom Schlenker, Marlene Manning; Patricia Jenkins; Ruby Dow; Bonnie Lincicum; John Hausbeck; Nina Buske; Delora Malmstadt; Pat Carlson; Cindy Matzinger; Chris Nelson; Alice Meyer; Mary Talamantes; Susan Wildrick; Chris Palmer; Nancy Dabbs; Scott Podboy; Jenny Lujan; Jan Neitzel Knox; Susan Wildrick; and Lorraine Meyer

II. Public Comment - 5 minute limit per speaker

None

III. Approval of the Minutes - November 3 Meeting

Minutes of the November 3, 2005 BOHMDC meeting approved with two changes
- Chair’s Report: Correct name of WI Association of Local Health Departments and Boards.
- Unfinished Business: Paragraph 3; Decision - The BOH members agreed on (rather than unanimously approved) ...

IV. Director Report - 10 minutes - Kathryn Vedder and Gareth Johnson - Report on activities since the last meeting. No action will be taken.

Dr. Kathryn Vedder reported on the success of the Joint WPHA-WALHDAB Public Affairs Committee and recommended going to the website -www.walhdab.org. She also provided highlights related to Sen. Risser’s 100% Smoke free Workplaces bill; 2006 MDPH budget; supply of flu vaccine; STI contract with Access Community Health Center; the Health Access Pilot of the Dane County Health Council.

Gary Johnson announced that he has accepted an offer for a position in the Prevention Division of the Seattle-King County Health Department, effective 12-28-2005. His last day as Public Health Administrator for Dane County will be 12-2-2005. Board members congratulated him and wished him well.

V. Chair's Report - 5 minutes - The Chair will report on activities since the last meeting. No action will be taken.

BOHMDC meeting location changed for both the November 17th (DCHSD-NPO) and December 1st (Madison Municipal Building) meetings to promote access by the PH staffs of DCPH and MDPH. BOH members introduced themselves and provided a brief summary of their work and interest in PH.
VI. Reports and Possible Action of Standing and Special Committees - 10 minutes

Budget: No report. Meeting to be scheduled soon.

Transition: Chair Zahner summarized 11-9-05 presentations on joint communicable disease and chronic disease efforts. One more committee meeting is planned to develop recommendations to full BOH.

VII. Unfinished Business - 10 minutes

A. Approval of Grants, Contracts and Budget Changes under existing IGA - Memo dated November 3, 2005 reviewed by Attorneys Michael May and Leslie Hamilton. Board approved the document and its recommendations.

B. Referral from Common Council - Resolution #02077 creating Section 3.57 entitled “Mandatory Minimum Sick Leave” of the Madison General Ordinances: Schwartzstein will participate in a telephone conference with the President of the lead city body on this (Equal Opportunities Commission) on 11/18/05 to discuss the possibility of joint public hearings.

Creating Section 3.57 entitled "Mandatory Minimum Sick Leave" of the Madison General Ordinances to require employers in the City of Madison to provide sick leave benefits to employees.

C. Update on Organizational Structure - Discussion deferred to 12/1 BOH meeting.

VIII. New Business - 45-60 minutes - ACTION Required on Resolutions

A. MDPH Resolution 2005-10 Data Use Agreement with University of Wisconsin Medical School, Department of Family Medicine (UWFM): Dr. Vedder presented this as an opportunity to access health data in collaboration with UWFM. Funds are available ($10,000 Bioterrorism funds) in the MDPH budget to offset costs of sharing the extensive database. Board members agreed during discussion that the idea of such an agreement is a good one, and that this could be a first step toward access to more than chronic disease-related data. Further exploration was indicated related to issues like HIPAA compliance; limits of use of the data; identification of the costs; and the desire to have a joint agreement for both public health agencies and the eventual unified Department. Decision: Miller moved and Zahner seconded a motion to table the discussion for now and to work toward development of a contract in the future. Motion approved unanimously.

B. MDPH Resolution 2005-11 Sexually Transmitted Disease (STI) - Amendment: Both MDPH and DCPH are mandated to provide services related to the diagnosis, treatment and contact followup of communicable diseases, including STIs; and contract with agencies that provide needed services. When costs exceed the funding level specified in each contract, the Board must approve additional dollars for service provision. MDPH relies on underspent budget lines to meet costs; DCPH relies on county tax dollar support beyond the approved DCPH budget. Zahner questioned whether other services are lost due to overruns in this area. Decision: Wilcox moved and Olson seconded approval of the 2006 MDPH resolution. Discussion included the recommendation that this issue get continued discussion of options related to service delivery and budgeting at a future meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

C. DCPH Resolution 177, 2005-2006 Accepting Increased Funding in the WIC Program - Decision: Miller moved and Sonzogni seconded approval. Motion passed
unanimously.

D. Referral from Dane County Board - Resolution 176, 2005-2006 Authorizing Employment Agreement for Director of the Dane County and City of Madison PH Departments (Thomas L. Schlenker) - Decision: Kostelic moved and Sonzogni seconded approval. Motion passed unanimously.

E. Referral from Common Council - Resolution 02346 Authorizing Hire of Unified PH Director (Thomas L. Schlenker) - Decision: Olson moved and Wilcox seconded approval. Motion passed unanimously.

Confirming the appointment of Thomas L. Schlenker, M.D. to the position of Unified Public Health Director subject to the appointment and execution of an Employment Agreement.

This matter was Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF ESTIMATES. The motion passed.

F. Joint Board of Health Orientation: Jim Clark, DCPH Environmental Health (EH) Director, and Tommye Schneider, MDPH Environmental Health (EH) Director, provided power point presentations and handouts, which described the array of EH programs and services of both PH Departments.

IX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 AM.