City of Racine

City Hall 730 Washington Ave. Racine, WI 53403



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 8, 2007 4:15 PM

City Hall, Room 209

Board of Health

William Little, M.D.
Alderman Robert Mozol
Alderman Raymond DeHahn
Sarah Fouse, MSN
Mohammed Rafiullah, M.D.
John Berge, Ph.D.
Maria Morales
Mary Sollman

Call To Order

PRESENT: 5 - William Little M.D., Sarah Fouse MSN, Robert Mozol, Raymond DeHahn

and Mary Sollman

ABSENT: 2 - John Berge Ph.D. and Maria Morales

EXCUSED: 1 - Mohammed Rafiullah M.D.

Approval of Minutes for April 10, 2007 Meeting

A motion was made by Raymond DeHahn , seconded by Sarah Fouse, MSN, to Approve the Minutes. The motion PASSED

Old Business

New Business

07-0502

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission for the Mayor and City Clerk to sign a contract agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services for the HUD Lead Hazard Reduction Program (Grant Control #2007-21).

(Also refer to the Board of Health.)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 5-7-07:

The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a contract agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services for the HUD Lead Hazard Reduction Program (Grant Control #2007-21).

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 05-08-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a contract agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services for the HUD Lead Hazard Reduction Program.

Fiscal Note: There is no city match.

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>HUD LEAD ABATEMENT</u>

This is a recurring grant that partially funds Bob Carlson who works in the Outreach Program to look and test for homes with elevated lead levels. When homes with elevated levels are found, the Public Health Nurses go in and teach people how to clean the homes. Bob Carlson goes back in and checks that the homes meet the standard lead levels.

A motion was made by Raymond DeHahn , seconded by Mary Sollman, that this be Recommended For Approval. The motion PASSED $\,$

<u>07-0560</u>

Subject: (Direct Referral) April Monthly Reports from the Health Department.

Attachments: PHA REP

EH REP EH REV CHP REP CHP REV LAB REP LAB REV

Public Health Administrator - Janelle Grammer reported that she has attended several of the Emergency Response trainings to meet requirements for Federal grant money. A group of several Health Department employees attended the de-escalation training that was part of the Tri-County Consortium quarterly training process. It was very applicable information to the Health Department.

Environmental Health - Kendra Marquez and Elvia Rodriquez were introduced as the new Outreach workers for the Lead Program. Kendra is a phlebotomist and Elvia is bi-lingual. They have been working on educational materials to take out into the community. They are on a door-to-door campaign to get the word out about lead poisoning prevention. Kendra and Elvia have been going with the Public Health Nurses on inspections and have been doing blood draws in an effort to locate children with elevated lead blood levels.

Michele Breheim, City officials and the Administrative Managers have been working together on the Pandemic Influenza Emergency Response Manual. A copy of the manual will be made available at the August Board of Health meeting. Everyone is acting together to keep City Government running should a chronic or catastrophic long-term event take place. Michele Breheim has brought the Racine community to above standard levels in the emergency response area.

Community Health Programs - The Infant Mortality Coalition is meeting monthly and will be attending summer health fairs to educate the public. We have a graduate student coming to the city and working with infant mortality as well as other public health areas. She is a physician that is working on completing her residency.

Lab - There are currently several grants still pending. The lab is winding down with the blood testing. The Safety-Net Collaboration has put together a process so that effective June 1, 2007, we can do referrals. We will provide pamphlets for the under-insured and uninsured in English and Spanish to direct people to Family Practice, Health Care Network and the Community Health Center.

Tobacco Program - There was a large victory in Illinois, the entire state is going smoke-free by Fall of this year. There is a great deal of progress being made in Wisconsin on the state level with the Tobacco Coalition to go smoke-free as well. They are trying to get community support at the local level but it is very difficult to deal with all the ordinances and controls; however, they are moving forward. A motion was made that Janelle Grammer prepare a letter for the Board of Health signatures supporting "Smoke Free Wisconsin". Motion was made by Mary Sollman and seconded by Alderman DeHahn. Motion Carried.

Ray DeHahn will speak to DPW about having signs prohibited smoking in the doorways of City Hall and alternative smoking areas.

The Wisconsin Well Women Program only provides limited services to women within the age range of 46 to 64. Technically the grant is for women between the ages of 35 and 64. Janelle Grammer would like to see the women between the ages of 35 and 45 be covered or at least have a base-line mammogram or some level of service. Janelle will put

together a letter to the Department of Health and Family Services requesting this change in age and will present it at the next Board meeting for the Board of Health members' signatures.

Motion was made by Ms. Fouse and seconded by Alderman Robert Mozol to receive and file reports. Motion Carried.

Reports Received and Filed

Adjournment

Motion was made by Ms. Fouse and seconded by Alderman Dehan. Motion carried.

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