

City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, March 11, 2008

4:15 PM

City Hall, Room 209

Board of Health

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

Call To Order

PRESENT: 7 - William Little M.D., Sarah Fouse Ph.D., Mohammed Rafiullah M.D., Maria Morales, Robert Mozol, Raymond DeHahn and Mary Sollman

EXCUSED: 1 - John Berge Ph.D.

Approval of Minutes for February 12, 2008 Meeting

A motion was made by Mohammed Rafiullah, M.D., seconded by Sarah Fouse, Ph.D., that the Minutes be Approved. The motion PASSED.

Presentations/Miscellaneous**Grant Status Review**

[08-1838](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Grant Status Report.

Attachments: [GRANT UPDATES](#)

Old Business

Dr. Drury, representing the City of Racine Health Department, will be meeting with Dr. DeGroat of Racine Family Medicine Clinic regarding the STI Clinic services. Janelle Grammer stated that there are some concerns with the way clients are being treated. This is the second step in trying to resolve these concerns. Janelle Grammer, Jeff Schmidt and Michele Breheim have discussed the treatment concerns with the staff of the STI Clinic at Racine Family Medicine Clinic in the past.

New Business

Maria Morales received a letter from a person that was very angry and upset regarding the lead program. The letter stated that work that was supposed to have been done was never done and that he had complained several times and nothing came of his complaints.

Marcia Fernholz stated she had talked with Maria Morales and this situation has nothing to do with the City of Racine's lead program. This situation was with the Community Action Agency and the HUD program that they had. The City has no control over this particular work that occurred in 2001. The person needs to go to the Community Action Agency or the State who administered the program.

[08-1817](#)

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept an annual allocation of funds of \$250,000 from the State of Wisconsin to combat infant mortality. The first allocation being \$500,000 covering retroactive to July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009. (Grant Control #2008-007) (Res.08-0696)

(Also refer to the Board of Health.)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

03-10-08: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter

into a \$250,000 agreement from the State of Wisconsin (Grant Control No. 2008-007) to be utilized for the newly created position of the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 03-11-08: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with the State of Wisconsin to accept an annual allocation of \$250,000 (Grant Control No. 2008-007) to be utilized for the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Fiscal Note: \$250,000 grant will be allocated annually from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009.

Attachments: [2008 Infant Mortality](#)

The funds will be used for the Healthy Birth Outcomes Coordinator and two Public Health Nurses from Wheaton Franciscan who will go out in the community to do the prenatal care coordination. Any funds left will be used for supplies and evaluations.

Recommended For Approval

[08-1818](#)

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting that a Healthy Birth Outcomes Program Coordinator position be created.

(Also refer to the Board of Health.)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

03-10-08: Permission granted for the Public Health Administrator to create a limited term position for the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 03-11-08: Permission be granted for the Public Health Administrator to create a limited term position for the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Fiscal Note: The position will be funded by a annual allocation of \$250,000 from the State of Wisconsin (Grant Control No. 2008-007) from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009.

Attachments: [HBO Position Request](#)

The Healthy Birth Outcomes Coordinator will create policy and procedures, seek additional funding and manage the grants for the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Recommended For Approval

Reports

[08-1839](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) February monthly reports from the Public Health Administrator and Division Managers.

Attachments: [PHA Rep](#)
 [Tob MCH WWWP](#)
 [EH Rep](#)
 [EH Rev](#)
 [CHP Rep](#)
 [CHP Rev](#)
 [Lab Rep](#)
 [Lab Rev](#)

Public Health Administrator - The Department of Health and Family Services conducted their year end review. The City of Racine Health Department and it's staff received high praise and is doing an excellent job with all the grant programs.

Tobacco, MCH, WWWP - The Wins Program has not done any of the underage tobacco sales checks for this year. The detective that was doing the checks previously is currently on light duty. Another detective will be assigned.

There are no changes in the number of woman in the Well Woman Program this year. The program will be available to 252 woman this year. The program is still getting referrals from the Healthcare Network.

Environmental Health - Chuck Dykstra, Sanitarian in Environmental Health, has resigned from the City of Racine to accept a job in Kenosha. The position has been posted internally.

Marcia Fernholz had post cards and posters for the Medicine Collection Day available. The Medicine Collection Day will be on Saturday, April 19, 2008. It will be held on the same day as the Racine, Elmwood Park and Sturtevant Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day. The City is registered as an EPA partner for volunteers.

Community Health Programs - Thelma Jones stated that Rashanda Cainion of the MIS Department and several Health Department staff did a beautiful job revising and updating the City of Racine public web site (www.cityofracine.org).

Thelma Jones will be conducting her last interview on March 12, 2008 for the position of Public Health Nurse and is hoping to be able to fill the position. The new teen nurse, Theresa Nelson, started in her new position today, March 11, 2008.

A Fetal and Infant Mortality Review will be conducted next week. The charts have been abstracted and a group of physicians, the medical examiner and others will go over infant and fetal deaths to see if there are any patterns and if anything can be done to prevent them.

There is an upcoming community health assessment that will run through 2013. There is a tentative date of May 8, 2008 for the initial listening groups in the community.

Laboratory - The Root-Pike Watershed Initiative Network who funded the Root River study last summer highlighted it in their quarterly letter they send out. Also, the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission did a Watershed Regional Waterfall and Management Plan and included the data that Dr. Kinzelman generated last year in that plan.

A motion was made by Mohammed Rafiullah, M.D., seconded by Maria Morales, that the Monthly Reports be Received and Filed. The motion PASSED.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Sarah Fouse, Ph.D., seconded by Alderman Ray DeHahn, to Adjourn the Meeting. The motion PASSED.