

GALLATIN COUNTY LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH Gallatin County Health Center Conference Room September 18, 2018 6:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Janet Bledsoe Micha Dryden Terri Towles

Members Absent:

Thomas Beringer
Patricia Riddle
Eric Moore
Judge Ken McFarland
Richard Ackerman
Scarlett Hall
Richard Ackermann
Joe Mylor

Staff Present:

Georgia Heise Michelle Wilburn Christina Johnson

Welcome:

Dr. Georgia Heise, welcomed those in attendance to the Gallatin County Board of Health Meeting at 6:00pm. A quorum was not present.

Topic: Approval of June 19th, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Discussion: As a quorum was not present, the minutes were not discussed.

New Business

Topic: Staffing/Personnel Update

Discussion: Dr. Georgia Heise reviewed staff changes that have taken place since the board last met. One change of particular note included the promotion of Allison Napier to Director for the Montgomery County Health Department. Dr. Heise shared that the district is reorganizing to assume her responsibilities with the current staff. Currently there are 38 full time and 10 part time employees. In addition Dr. Heise provided an update on the sale of the Home Health Agency noting it was completed on Friday, September 21st, emphasizing the smooth transition of all patients care and staff formerly employed with the agency.

Topic: Financial Update

Discussion: Michelle Wilburn reviewed the Year to date Revenues and Expenses as well as the Final closeout for FY18 with the board noting the carryover and YTD on demand amounts. Dr. Heise reviewed the FY19 Year to date revenues and expenses for the Health Department recognizing a current surplus as of the close of August. No action was taken.

Topic: Hepatitis A Outbreak

Discussion: Dr. Heise provided an update on the status of the statewide outbreak noting the infection rate is currently over 1500 individuals. She provided an update on the status of our counties and encouraged all board members to obtain the vaccine to prevent infection. Not action was taken.

Topic: Harm Reduction Program Update

Discussion: Dr. Heise provided a brief update on the Harm Reduction Program in Pendleton County, noting there have been no negative occurrences since the implementation of the program in 2015 and highlighting the range of demographics of participants and services they are receiving as result of the program. Dr. Heise further iterated the benefits of programs like these that demonstrate a statistical improvement in the rates of infectious diseases in areas served by Harm Reduction programs.

Topic: Adjournment

Discussion: Dr. Heise adjourned the meeting at 6:45pm.

Board Chairman

District Director

Board Secretary

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