

Cerro Gordo County Board of Health
Friday, November 18, 2011

Present: Dr. Johnson, President
Barb Kellogg, Vice President
Kristy Marquis, Secretary
Pat Galasso

Absent Phil Dougherty

Staff: Ron Osterholm, Health Director
Kara Vogelsson, Organizational Development and Research
Manager
Jodi Willemsen, Public Health Preparedness Service Manager
Linda Read, Family and Community Health Service Manager
Teresa Symens, Health Promotion & Education Service Manager
Karen Crimmings, RN Disease Prevention and Investigation
Service Manager
Janae Halm, AmeriCorps Member
Erik Gustafson – Healthy Homes Coordinator
Lisa Losen – Home Care Aide Manager

Guests: Chris Buhner, Globe Gazette

Meeting was called to order at 12:35 pm.

Minutes: Minutes passed for September 16, 2011 meeting. Motion by Barb Kellogg, second by Pat Galasso.

Service Awards: Dr. Johnson presented Dixie Fullerton with 20 years of service award.

Approval for FY 10-11

1st Quarter Reports: Barb Kellogg motioned, seconded by Pat Galasso. Motion passed.

Old Business:

1. Action Items None

2. Discussion Items None

New Business

1. Action Items None

2. Discussion Items

Osterholm updated the Board members on the changes to the Strategic Planning document. Osterholm asked if there were any questions or concerns to the few changes that were made to the Strategic Planning document. Kristy Marquis mentioned that she thought that the Mission and Vision statements need to be a full sentence. Marquis stated starting the sentence with “Dept Mission is” to complete the sentence. Osterholm updated the Board on the nine Strategic issues and that each leader of those issues would talk about and answer any question that they have.

Janae Halm talked on behalf of Kelli Huinker about Issue 1 – Improve our wellness initiatives. Barb Kellogg made the suggestion to use real people from the community on billboards. Dr. Johnson stated to making sure that initiatives are being measured for future data. Johnson also wanted to make sure that we are using kids for long term measures and using an age group 30 and under to base the measures on.

Erik Gustafson updated the Board on Issue 2 – partner to develop a plan for a healthy built environment. Gustafson stated that the first three years are going to be finding a baseline so that we can have a GIS map of all built environments in Cerro Gordo County. Barb Kellogg stated that we need more bike racks so when people ride their bikes they have something to lock bikes up on.

Nola Aigner updated that Board on Issue 3 – improve the county’s awareness and access to our services. Aigner stated the need to identify the location of the Health Department on the outside of Mohawk Square since we don’t have front door access off the street. Dr. Johnson stated that we need to work on getting an “App” for the Health Department.

Cathy Gomez update the Board on Issue 4 – maintain a foundation for our financial stability. Dr. Johnson asked who was on the board for Health for Life.

Jodi Willemsen updated that Board on Issue 5 – grow, enhance, and sustain relationships with our partners. Willemsen stated that within the next three years we are going to develop a tool to identify partners who we currently have and who we need to develop partnerships with.

Linda Read updated that Board on Issue 6 – respond to a changing home care delivery system.

Karen Crimmings updated that Board on Issue 7 – monitor and respond appropriately to regulatory changes. Karen stated the need to keep staff updated on the legislative changes. Dr. Johnson stated to Crimmings meeting with the Governor and Senators, to even get two other managers within the department to meet with the Senators. We need to reach out to hospitals, schools, nursing homes, council members, and Mayor.

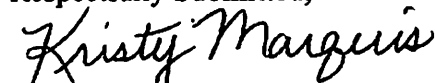
Nola Aigner updated that Board on Issue 8 – improve public perception of local public health. Aigner stated that the addition of Howie Staywell our mascot has had a positive impact to the Health Department.

Lisa Losen talked on behalf of Brian Hanft about Issue 9 – recruit, train and retain quality staff and board members. Losen stated the need to develop a training plan for new and existing board of health members. Ron Osterholm handed out a guide book for Iowa Local Board of Health, developed by the Iowa Department of Public Health to all Board of Health members.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 30, 2011 @ 12:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kristy Marquis
Secretary