

BOARD OF HEALTH

The Polk County Board of Health met in the conference room of the Health Department in the Polk County Government Center at 10:15AM on December 9, 2008.

Present: Neil Johnson Wanda Johnson Rick Scoglio
 Jim Edgell Bob Dueholm Dr. Arne Lagus
 Gary Bergstrom

Also: Gretchen Sampson Carolyn Griffin Leslie Larsen
 Bonnie Leonard

Chairman Neil Johnson called the meeting to order.

Motion by Edgell/Bergstrom to approve the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Bergstrom/Edgell to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2009 meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Monthly Bills Review

Sampson reviewed the list of bills and answered any questions.

Motion by Bergstrom/Edgell to approve the bills in the amount of \$34,849.27. All in favor. Motion carried.

Statistical Reports

Sampson reviewed the budget overview report for November for the Public Health programs. Some budgets are reflecting negative account balances due to lagging grant payments and outstanding billed revenues.

The WIC Program continues to be very busy. Some additional funding has been received for the WIC Program from the State due to increased client numbers.

Motion by Dueholm/W. Johnson to approve the statistical reports. All in favor. Motion carried.

Out of County Meetings

Sampson reviewed the list of out of county meetings.

Motion by Dr. Lagus/Edgell to approve the out of county meetings. All in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business

2009 Consolidated Contract Objectives

Sampson handed out the 2009 contract objectives for Childhood Lead, Immunization, Material Child Health, Oral Health, Prevention, Radon Prevention, Well Woman and Reproductive Health. She reviewed contract detail and funding.

There was a brief discussion about the Preparedness Grant and the restructure in 2010 when the number of consortias in the State will be reduced from twelve to six. The Western Region consortia will encompass nineteen counties and two tribes. It has not been decided yet on who will be the fiscal agent. Discussions are occurring on the transition plan.

New Business

Andrea Jerrick, Human Resources Director, joined the meeting to review the Department Head performance review process. The Department Head review will be part of the January agenda in closed session.

WIMCR Information (Old Business)

Sampson talked about feedback she received from the Regional Office regarding the status of WIMCR under Family Care. Sampson stated that if Polk County were a contracted service provider for home care services for the managed care organization, the agency would not be eligible to receive the WIMCR (Wisconsin Medicaid Cost Report) reimbursement funds which amount to approximately \$100,000 per year.

New Business (Resumed)

Approve Private Pay Fee Increases Home Care Program

Sampson handed out information on current and proposed new rates for the Home Care Program for private pay clients. The rates included home visits by discipline; therapy visit services and medication set up visits. Letters will be sent to clients this month regarding the sliding fee scale for services in 2009.

Motion by Edgell/Dr. Lagus to approve the rate increase for private pay services for the Home Care Program. All in favor. Motion carried.

Car Lease Bid Approval

Sampson handed out pricing received from four dealerships on an advertised RFP for two leased vehicles, for a two year lease for the Preparedness Grant.

Motion by Bergstrom/Scoglio to award the bid to Ken Vance Car City for two Civic Hondas, lowest bidder. All in favor. Motion carried.

Personnel Update

Laurie Ince, Payroll Clerk, has resigned and posted into a position in the Aging Dept. Sampson stated that after meeting with supervisory staff, a decision was made to post the Payroll Clerk position as a .5FTE. Some duties of the position will be reassigned; other job components will be automated to streamline the position.

Sampson also stated that the Purchasing Agent position has been eliminated as part of the 2009 budget process so some budget funds will be available for contract services for supply management on a limited basis in 2009.

Sampson will defer the update on the 2010 State Health Plan progress until the next meeting.

Director Report

Sampson talked briefly about agent licensing fees. The state legislature has passed the final rates for licensing fees and some are higher than what was originally published and what Polk County set in 2008. The Board will review agent rate in the next few months to determine if any licensing fees should be changed.

Dr. Lagus asked about the video conferencing service in the Law Enforcement Center. It is used minimally by the Health Dept staff as it has had some problems. The Preparedness staff is pursuing web cam technology for meetings and trainings with consortium counties to cut travel expense.

Motion by Bergstrom/Edgell to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:05PM. All in favor. Motion carried.

The next Board of Health meeting will be January 13, 2009 at 10:00 AM.

