

# TREMPEALEAU COUNTY

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Date: February 15, 2011

Members Present:     Dr. Selkurt                             Rod Severson  
                           Dr. Baxa                                     Michael Nelson  
                           John Aasen                                 George Brandt  
                           Rob Reichwein

Others Present:     Carol Bawek                             Sherry Rhoda  
                           David Geske

**1. Call to Order**

The Trempealeau County Board of Health meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rod Severson. Time: 6:06 p.m.

**2. Certification of Open Meeting Law Requirements**

Posting and notification has accomplished the requirements of the Open meeting Law.

**3. Adoption of Agenda**

*A motion was made by Mr. Nelson, seconded by Mr. Aasen to accept the agenda as mailed.. Motion carried.* See Appendix B 1.

**4. Approval of Minutes**

*A motion was made by Mr. Nelson, second by Mr. Reichwein the minutes as mailed. Motion carried.*

**5. Preparedness Consortium - Update**

Mr. Jay Shrader was the facilitator of the web based presentation. The Consortium was started in 2003 as the result of funds coming from CDC for Preparedness. The original consortium consisted of 9 members and has grown to 19 members. The purpose was to help local health departments prepare for any type of health emergency. Grant and contract management of funds comes from the Division of Public Health. Quality improvement through on-site exercises is done at least once a year with an unannounced visit. Technical assistance and consultation during emergencies is offered. They are also responsible for maintaining and updating the (PHEP) Public Health Emergency Plan. As a consortium member we have free access to on-site and web based trainings, password protected website, Regional Public Information Office Network (PIO Network). It is important for people to talk to each other during emergencies, especially across borders. Funds have been decreasing throughout the years. The consortium started with four staff members and is now

down to two. In November 2010, DPH decided to phase out the consortia model by not automatically funding the structure effective August 9, 2011. The funds will now be given to each of the 19 members equally, so members will see an increase in their funding. Each LPHA will now need to decide if they want to re-allocate funding back to the consortium to stay a member or keep the money and figure out how they will do all the work internally and meet the requirements. 16 of the 19 agreed to stay with the consortium. Ms. Rhoda informed the board of health members the consortium is also looking at assisting with accreditation. Ms. Rhoda stated the more they can do in addition to preparedness would be a great asset; they are a wealth of knowledge. Trempealeau County's allocation is approximately \$20,000. The formula is set-up according to population, etc. so the funds to the consortium would be approximately 25%. Last year Trempealeau County received \$30,287.00 and the consortium share was \$10,096.00. Discussion was held. Mr. Severson stated, he went on the website and was impressed with the wealth of knowledge that was available and the training component that is used, which seemed that the money would come back to our county in savings. Mr. Severson requested this be put on agenda for March for further discussion.

**6. La Crosse County Vector Control Contract – Update**

Mr. David Geske, La Crosse County Vector Control Manager. La Crosse virus affects children. Mr. Geske presented a \$2,600 for contract with La Crosse County to do vector control. In 2010, total traps placed were 455 and mosquito habitat sites monitored was 721. Interruption of the vector host cycle and prevention of human and animal infection is the goal. There is a 95% survival rate of mosquitoes in tires and other water collecting objects vs. a 5% survival in a tree hole. Mr. Geske said the \$2,600 pays for the students (\$10/hr) and their mileage. La Crosse County would be happy with any amount of money you agree to. Discussion followed. Ms. Rhoda stated neighboring counties negotiated and paid less. Historically, in the Galesville area we did have one confirmed case of Encephalitis. Mr. Severson requested this topic be put on agenda for March for approval. See Appendix B 2.

**7. Approval of Resolution for School Based Sealant Program**

*A motion was made by Mr. Aasen, seconded by Mr. Brandt to approve the resolution in the amount of \$33,867.00.* Ms. Rhoda stated there are no levy dollars; this amount of money is for the start up process, Dental Hygienist's salary and supplies. The dental hygienist will be doing the billing for the services rendered and that will extend the program. Dr. Baxa inquired if Bisphenol A will be used in the sealant. Ms. Rhoda stated it was discussed and it is not in the material. ***Motion carried.*** See Appendix B 3.

**8. Approval of Contract Dental Sealant Program**

*A motion was made by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Aasen to accept the contract as submitted. Motion carried.*

**9. Sign Medical Orders/Dr. Selkurt**

The previous Board of Health requested they be part of the signing of orders for the agency. Dr. Selkurt signs medical orders so the agency can continue with the immunization program.

**10. Accept Letter of Resignation**

Ms. Jill Fleming, WIC Dietician has resigned. *A motion was made by Dr. Baxa, seconded Mr. Aasen to accept the letter of resignation. Motion carried.* Ms. Rhoda stated, this position will not be filled, as there is not enough funds in the WIC budget to support advertising and training. See Appendix B 4.

**11. Budget Update**

The Board of Health reviewed the 2010 Budget Summaries. Discussion followed. See Appendix B 5.

**12. Employee Input**

Mr. Severson requested this item be put on because of the concerns the employee's have been voicing to him. Mr. Severson also stated he wants this item left on the agenda.

**13 Approval of Vouchers**

*A motion was made by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Aasen to approve the vouchers in the amount of:*

<u>JANUARY 2011</u>	
Public	\$ 733.23
WIC	262.50
Radon	<u>46.00</u>
Total	\$ 1,041.73

<u>FEBRUARY 2011</u>	
Public	\$ 498.81
WIC	587.69
Radon	395.00
Breastfeeding	3.74
M.C.H.	<u>148.50</u>
Total	\$ 1,633.74
Grand Total	\$2,675.47

*Motion carried.* Appendix B 6

**14. Director's Report**

- **Shared Services**

Will complete an internal assessment for strength and weaknesses.

- **Survive and Thrive**

Ms. Rhoda attended the meeting in Madison, quality assurance tools to assist in accreditation. 5 goals to accomplish by September, 2011.

- **Public Health Nurse Position – Update**  
9 applicants, 3 do not qualify. Will interview 6.
- **MRSA**  
One case of MRSA in a Trempealeau County School District.

**15. Discussion of next meeting date/time**

March 15, 2011, 6:00 p.m.

**16. Adjournment**

*A motion was made by Dr. Baxa, seconded by Mr. Reichwein to adjourn the Board of Health Meeting. Motion carried. TIME: 7:53 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Michael Nelson  
Secretary