

ST. CLAIR COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD OF HEALTH
MONTHLY MEETING
February 21, 2024

- I. MEETING – called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Vice Chair, Dawn Fulk
- II. MEMBERS PRESENT – Dawn Fulk, Steven Gura, Kevin Watkins, Marie Muller, Kenneth Heuvelman & Lisa Beedon.

MEMBERS ABSENT- Monica Standel

- III. STAFF PRESENT – Liz King, Greg Brown, Dr. Remington Nevin and Tammie Berger.
- IV. CITIZENS – None
- V. REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIR & RE-ELECTION OF OFFICERS – The Board appointed King as temporary chair and nominations were opened. Nominations for Chairman: Fulk nominated Monica Standel for Chairman, seconded by Gura. Nominations for Vice Chair: Heuvelman nominated Dawn Fulk for Vice Chairman, seconded by Gura. Nominations for Secretary: Fulk nominated Steven Gura for Secretary, seconded by Watkins. Motion by Muller seconded by Watkins to close the nominations and cast unanimous ballot for the slate of officers as nominated. Motion carried unanimously.
- VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.
- VII. MINUTES – The Board received the January 2024 meeting minutes. Motion by Heuvelman, seconded by Watkins to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
- VIII. CORRESPONDENCE – The Board received:
 - a. Oral Health Assessment Letter – This was sent to all of the county’s school districts. As of January 1, 2024, the State passed a requirement that all kindergarten students must have a dental assessment within 6 months of starting school. Schools will be putting this information in to their packets. We have also done some social media promotion. Currently most schools in the County contract with Smile Savers, a mobile dental unit. The intention is to use the first year as an assessment period to see what direction needs to be taken.
 - b. County press release regarding Brief Elevations in Hydrogen Sulfide reported near landfill.
- IX. BUDGET TO ACTUAL & AP TRANSACTION REGISTER - The Board received and reviewed the January 2024 AP Transaction Register in the \$779,431.26 and the January Budget to Actual Report. Marie asked about the percentage in the COVID budget. Greg explained that the State has now taken back all COVID funding. Ken asked about the medical marijuana grant and the sustainability for SCCLink. Liz noted that we do expect approval of grant funding and once received that funding can support SCCLink. Motion by Gura, seconded by Muller to accept the January 2024 AP Transaction Register and Budget to Actual Report to forward to the controller.

X. NEW BUSINESS

a. HEALTH OFFICER UPDATE – Liz King

1. Quarterly Disease report was shared with the Board and is available on our website. K. Heuvelman asked about the elevated level of HIV transmission. Dr. Nevin discussed the numbers and the availability of Prep. Liz noted that she would look at the demographics. K. Watkins asked about HIV Prep. Dr. Nevin discussed Prep as a permanent daily dosage for prevention. Currently it is the standard of care. We are able to refer clients who desire Prep to a clinic in Macomb County.
2. 2023 Patagonia Data – This report presents unduplicated client summary parameters obtain from electronic superbill encounters that occurred in the 2023 calendar year.
3. With the soft rollout of SCCLink, 20 inquires were received, all requesting educational materials. McLaren Port Huron will now include SCCLink in their discharge instructions. There is a meeting schedule with Ascension River District in the future.
4. The pilot for remote work will begin in March.
5. Building update: The space configure has been agreed upon. We are currently awaiting the new blueprints that will include mechanical and plumbing updates.
6. OB Shortage – Amy is setting up a meeting that Liz will attend with Dr. Hurtubise and Dr. Fabian. Currently the majority of clients needing Medicaid OB care are being sent to out of county.
7. Greg and Steve attended the legislative luncheon. The proposed statewide sanitary code was discussed. Greg gave a brief summary to bring our newest member up to date. These changes are proposed in HB 4479 & 4480 and SB 299 & 300.
8. We received 58 electronic surveys in the month of January.
9. The Board received the administrative notes and summary report. S. Gura asked about the uptake of the RSV vaccine. Dr. Nevin commented that the demand here in SCC has not exceeded our supply. S. Gura also commented how SC4 clinic staff have provided presentation for his students about clinic services.


b. MEDICAL DIRECTOR UPDATE –

Dr. Nevin provide an update on the landfill. Discussed the release of methane gas that naturally occurs with decomposition. Our landfill using septage injection to increase our methane production. Now the landfill is overproducing gas. Gases produced are primarily methane and carbon dioxide, however there are also some trace gases, including H₂S. Until recently levels of H₂S were low. There was recently a spike in that level on one day due to a weather event. EGLE will continue recent updates on the H₂S level on their website as they monitor the air. L. Beedon commented that the BOC recently approved trying to apply for a grant for a bio algae system that will help treat leachate.

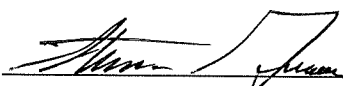
- XI. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS – M. Muller asked about the chickenpox outbreak and if it seemed early. Dr. Nevin stated that Chickenpox can be contracted at any time of the year, but does sometimes seem to follow the school year.

- XII. NEXT MEETING - The next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Gura, seconded Watkins to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Prepared and submitted by:


Elizabeth King, Health Officer - Director


Dawn Fulk, Vice Chair


Steven Gura, Secretary

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