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Winnebago County Board of Health Meeting Minutes August 26, 2022 Public Health Office 8:00 a.m.

Sonja Rank called the meeting to order. With the announcement of a Quorum. Members in attendance were Susan Smith, Sonja Rank, Sandy Mireles and Jaci Miller. Absent Dr. Ostercamp. Also present was Allison Rice and Julie Sorenson by phone.

There were one addition to the agenda. ARPA funds and Public health building

There were no corrections to the June 17, 2022 minutes, motion by Smith, second by Mireles, all ayes motion carried.

Governance:

Julie Sorenson, Administrator/Financial Manager, presented the end of June fiscal report. Public Health-Nursing &EH Revenue Department – \$161,520.63 (87.37%) Nurses & Sanitarian Expenses Department -\$60,415.88 (80.41%) Nurses Expenses Department-\$2,877.85 (83.17%) Sanitarian Fund Balance: \$189,120.00 (includes add'l funding from county 250,000) Practice fiscal oversight: End of July—Julie Sorenson Public Health-Nursing &EH Revenue Department – \$66,922.33 (6.19%) Nurses & Sanitarian Expenses Department -\$57,852.01 (5.36%)Nurses Expenses Department-\$2,208.76 (4.81%) Sanitarian Fund Balance: \$195,981.56

Administration: Julie informed the board that she is working on billing from home due to being ill and will get it completed as soon as possible, board noted.

ARPA money & PH building: Susan Smith shared with the board an update on the ARPA money and public health building. Recovery act funds allocation is \$800,000 and that the BOS is working with an architect to expand the current public health building, board noted.

Communication/IT: Julie informed the board that EMR training has been completed and the agency has all clients transferred to the new program as of the current fiscal year.

Workforce: June: Admission-10; Discharges-8; June visits: SN-276; HCA-406; July: Admission-12, Discharges-9; June visits: SN-276; HCA-352

New hire HCA: A motion was made by Mireles, to hire Sonja Alamsya as part-time home care aide starting September 6 at \$15.00, second by Smith, all ayes and motion carried.

Community Assessment & Planning: Discussion on the upcoming meetings: MCO calls monthly with IHCA, monthly BT meeting with region 2, and Early Childhood. Julie will be attending LPHS meeting and Medicaid meeting in September.

Evaluation: Allison reported on Deyta-June-61 evaluations- no negative comments: July-70 no negative comments, BOH noted.

Prevent Epidemics and the Spread of Disease:

COVID19: Allison and Julie discussed with the board the situation with the COVID 19 virus. Agency still doing Covid clinics by appointments on Thursdays. Vaccine numbers are low. Also discussed the Covid guidelines for healthcare workers. Allison will email Dr. Ostercamp and get her opinion, board noted.

VFC Compliance Virtual Site Review: Allison report the agency had a good report on our virtual site review and that there was no issues, board noted.

Flu shot cost: Due to increase cost in the high dose flu vaccine the agency will have to raise the price to \$65.00 for the high dose vaccine, board noted.

Food Inspection Report: June had six reports and July had two reports, board noted.

Protect against Environmental Hazards: Ron Kvale's sanitarian report was review, no questions or concerns, board noted.

Prevent Injuries: Due to the increase cost in radon kits, we will have to raise the price to \$11, board noted.

Promote Health Behaviors

Clinic held at the agency: Thursday will be Covid Clinic by appointment for 1-4 in the afternoon. We are doing the back to school immunizations and foot clinics in the office with appointments. We also do foot clinics in their homes. First Steps Winnebago County staff Beth and Melissa are back doing in person home visits with their families with some video chats at the family request. Beth will be traveling to Colorado for the Parent as Teacher Conference. The grant approved of this training and the agency will be reimbursed.

Other Business:

Motion by Smith to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 am second by Miller, motion carried.

Next Board Meeting: Will be held on Friday, September 16, 2022 at 8 am.