

MARICOPA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

Monday, July 22, 2019 at 3:00 pm
205 W. Jefferson Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003
Board of Supervisors Auditorium

Vice President MacMillan called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present:

Don Cassano – via phone
Robert MacMillan
Nedra Halley – via phone
Scott Celley
Debra Baldauff
Paul Stander
Chairman Bill Gates

Members Not Present:

Don Hughes
Kristen Acton
Andrew Rascon
Henri Cournand (resigned July 3, 2019)

Ex-Officio: Max Porter

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Vice President MacMillan announced that we have speaker slips for anyone wishing to speak on any action items. Speakers will be called after the item is heard. Each speaker will have 2 minutes to speak. Vice President MacMillan asked if there were any speakers that requested to speak at today's meeting. Ms. Bonham responded that she has not received any speaker slips.

Vice President MacMillan introduced the newest members of the board, Mr. Scott Celley and Dr. Paul Stander welcomed them to the board and asked them to give us a little background on yourselves.

Mr. Scott Celley said he has a bit of distant background with the County and appreciation through that, Public Health especially. He did work here 20 years ago. He spoke with Chairman Gates a few months ago and asked if there was place he could engage constructively at the County. He said Chairman Gates was gracious enough to forgo the background check and nominate Mr. Celley to the Board. Mr. Celley is pleased to be here and excited about the opportunity to be engaged in what from his perspective is an underappreciated, under recognized role of assuring Public Health in the fastest growing County in America.

Dr. Paul Stander said he is originally from Philadelphia. He went to medical school in Jefferson in Philadelphia and finished the rest of his training in Wisconsin. He has been in AZ since 1983. He is an Internist, Geriatrician, and Palliative Hospice Medicine. In his first 5 years in AZ he worked in Maricopa County Health Department, 2 years as the Medical Director of the jail and then went to primary care services in Maricopa County. Then he was with Samaritan and Banner for 26 years and with Banner Good Sam where he was Chief Medical Officer for 21 years. The last 5 years he is the Chief Geriatrics with the VA. Chairman Gates nabbed me and he appreciates the opportunity to participate.

Gates said if I could just add thanks to both of you. I really appreciate you guys taking the time to join this board. I think you're going to be of great benefit and thanks for the opportunity to have join you guys and the great efforts you're already doing.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Vice President MacMillan asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the BOH Meeting held on April 22, 2019. Motion was made by Mr. Cassano to approve the BOH minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by Dr. Baldauff and all were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

2. **Fee Waiver Briefing – 25 Fee Waiver Applications**

**Ms. Jeannie Taylor
Mr. Ken Conklin**

Mr. Conklin was present to go over some changes that the department has implemented for the fee waiver process. They have gone to an electronic application process for fee waivers. The customer can now go online and complete the application electronically. The requirements are all the same, the only change is that it's electronic. The customer can see all the requirements for the three different types of fee waivers. They can sign the application electronically and submit electronically.

Ms. Jeannie Taylor presented twenty-five (25) fee waivers for review and consideration of approval. 25 total fee waivers, 23 nonprofit organizations and 2 sponsoring school districts with completed fee waiver applications. A summary sheet document was provided.

Motion to approve the twenty-five (25) fee waiver applications was made by Mr. Ceeley, seconded by Dr. Stander and all were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **Approval of Board of Health Bylaws with proposed revisions**

President

Motion was made by Dr. Stander for approval of the Board of Health Bylaws with proposed revisions. Motion was seconded by Mr. Celley and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items:

1. Public Health Report

Marcy Flanagan, Max Porter & Dr. Rebecca Sunenshine

- I. Human Resources
- II. Communication
- III. Infrastructure
- IV. Strategic Planning
- V. Programs
- VI. Disease Update
- VII. Future Topics

Max Porter said at our last Board of Health meeting he stated that it would be the last time he would give the Public Health Update. I told you we had hired our new Director and we did, she's incredible. Director Dr. Marcy Flanagan started on June 10th. She's done wonderful things unfortunately she's down in Tucson and had a family emergency. It prevents her from being able to be here with us today.

One of the reasons Marcy was sought out and hired was her ability to do partnerships. She started on the 10th and has been here just barely over a month. We're excited about several partnerships that are being fostered and that we look forward to being able to push our services out into existing areas. She's met with MIHS, she's met with Banner, and she's met with several people in order to allow our services to be offered in areas where services are already there. It will save the County and the tax payer's dollars as far as infrastructure builds and things like that. It's a wonderful way to expand Public Health Services without expending a lot of money and get more people involved with the Public Health Mission.

We brought to you at the last meeting the Hepatitis A outbreak that is going on. The Board of Supervisors reacted quickly and put \$600,000 in our budget for this year and another 1.7 million for next year last. We've already spent \$800,000 of that to get Hep A vaccine at CDC pricing to save us about \$150,000.

Hepatitis A – Nationally since 2015 (Predominately effects - Homelessness, Unstable Housing, IV Drug Users, Prison or Jail Time)

10 – 20 cases per week

6700 doses administered

Vaccinating in the jails, at events, in parks and homeless encampments.

Greater than 80% have been hospitalized

1 death, 1 waiting to be confirmed

95% effective with one dose

AHCCCS- reimbursement will help us save a ton of money

West Nile Virus - 57 cases, 1 death.

6 heat associated deaths, 47 under investigation.

Ebola virus in the news and it has not affected us to date.

Immunization pilot is going on now – the schools in the pilot parents are required to watch a video before being able to exempt their children. Making sure the parents have access to accurate information before making a decision. Suggestion was made to possibly have a special meeting to go over the results from the pilot.

E Coli 0157 - 7 cases (1 in Pinal County, 6 in Maricopa County) Resulting in renal failure and sepsis. Don't know the causes yet.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CURRENT EVENTS

Mr. Cournand resigned and that leaves a vacancy on the Board of Health and on the Board of Health Finance Committee. At the next meeting the board will need to appoint a member to the Finance Committee.

- Next meeting is October 28, 2019

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Cassano, seconded by Dr. Stander and motion was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.