

Brown County Board of Health

Board Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2024

The Brown County Board of Health met in regular session on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 5:00pm with the following members present; Ralph Jennings, Mark Klump, Rachael Jodrey, Dr. Mike McHenry, and Dena Richter. Also attending was Health Commissioner, Kyle Arn, Emergency Response Coordinator, Liz Pemberton, Deputy Health Commissioner/Director of Nursing, Pam Williams, Environmental Director, Steve Dick, Fiscal Officer/Administrative Assistant, Jennifer Fetters, and Registered Environmental Health Specialist, Heather Sloat. Board President Ralph Jennings called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Mr. Jennings introduced Mrs. Dena Richter, the new board member, and each person in attendance introduced themselves to Dena. The Board discussed the nomination of officers. Dr. McHenry made a motion to nominate Mr. Jennings as President. Mrs. Jodrey seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion passed. Mr. Jennings made a motion to nominate Mr. Klump as Vice President. Dr. McHenry seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion passed. Mr. Jennings explained to Mrs. Richter that technically Mr. Arn is the secretary to the Board of Health.

Approval of Board Minutes:

Mr. Jennings asked if there were any questions or corrections to the minutes for the meeting on March 13, 2024, provided to the board. Mrs. Jodrey made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. McHenry seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed.

Approval of Bills and Supplemental Appropriations:

Mr. Jennings asked if there were any unusual bills. Miss Fetters explained the bills. Dr. McHenry made a motion to approve the bills. Mr. Klump seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion passed.

Environmental Division:

Mr. Dick explained that Mrs. Sloat and Mr. Louderback will be attending the OEHA conference and Mr. Louderback will be taking the SIT exam so he will be learning about that. Mr. Dick provided the board with information on scrap tires and how the EPA does a survey with scrap tires, this is non-mandated and non-funded, it is optional for us to do. Mr. Dick stated there is a lot of theft scrap tires and Ohio came out with a new law for policing this as well as trying to prevent mosquitos habiting in scrap tires. It is our choice to be involved in this program, but if we do, we would be involved in complaints and providing education early on in collaboration with the EPA. Mrs. Jodrey asked if there was a time being given to individuals to become in compliance and Mr. Dick stated it was education first and the EPA mentioned that there may be a grant for those individuals through them in the future. Mr. Jennings asked what happens if these cases go to court, would we be involved? Mr. Arn stated we already investigate these types of complaints. Mr. Jennings suggested we table this decision for the time being. Dr. McHenry stated that since it is not mandated and not funded that we do not participate at this time. Mr. Jennings stated that if we did participate then maybe it would help track the scrap tires. Mr. Dick stated that if this was the case businesses would have to track where their tires are being transported to. Mr. Jennings stated that this is tabled for the time being. Mr. Dick provided the board with information on the HSTS Grant so that Mrs. Richter knows about the grant and how it works. Mrs. Sloat did a presentation on the Body Art Program for CEU's for the Board's annual requirement.

Nursing Division:

Mr. Arn gave the board an update since Mrs. Williams was unable to attend. Mr. Arn told the board that the next Health Fair will be in Ripley at the library April 17th. He stated that the first Health Fair was fairly successful, but we hope that as the word is spread these Health Fair's will be busier and busier.

Emergency Preparedness:

Mrs. Pemberton told the board that we received our ACAR back from PHAB and we do have measures to work on and that we have a year to complete those. She explained that we have a meeting with our accreditation representative on 4/11 at 1pm. Mr. Jennings asked if we would be able to get these measures corrected. Mrs. Pemberton and Mr. Arn both said yes that the measures we need to correct only make up about 30% of the total measures. Mr. Arn stated that we are now able to interact with our representatives to better understand how we can meet these measures.

Administrative:

Mr. Arn stated we need to reappoint a board member to the solid waste board. Mr. Jennings explained this to Mrs. Richter. Mr. Arn gave Mrs. Richter more information on the solid waste board. The Health Department receives funding from the solid waste board every year for operations. Mr. Jennings asked if Mr. Klump would be willing to step back into that position. Mr. Klump asked if anyone else would be interested before he decided. Mr. Jennings asked if Mrs. Jodrey was interested. Mrs. Jodrey stated she could do it for at least a year. Mr. Klump motioned to appoint Mrs. Jodrey. Dr. McHenry seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion passed. Mr. Klump stated he could be the alternate if needed.

Mr. Klump made a motion to go into Executive Session at 5:42pm. Dr. McHenry seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Jennings, aye

Mr. Klump, aye

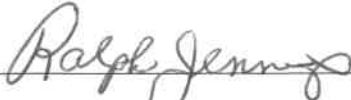
Mrs. Richter, aye

Dr. McHenry, aye


Mrs. Jodrey, aye.

The Board left Executive Session and entered regular session at 5:49pm. Dr. McHenry made a motion to make Mrs. Yelton and Mrs. Pemberton Co-Accreditation Coordinators for 12 months, with a one-time bonus of \$1040.00 bonus. Mr. Klump seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion passed.

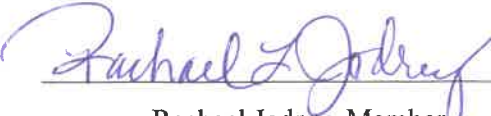
Dr. McHenry made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:52pm. Mr. Klump seconded the motion. All members present voted aye. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.




Ralph Jennings, President




Mark Klump, Vice President



Rachael Jodrey, Member



Dena Richter, Member



Michael McHenry, MD, Member



Kyle D. Arn, MS, REHS, Health Commissioner