CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND CONFIRMATION OF A QUORUM

Martha Burger, President of the Oklahoma State Board of Health, called the regular meeting of the Oklahoma State Board of Health to order on Tuesday, April 10 at 11:02 a.m. The final agenda was posted at 10:02 a.m. on the OSDH website on April 9, 2018, and at 9:54 a.m. at the building entrance on April 9, 2018.

Members in Attendance: Martha A. Burger, M.B.A., President; Robert S. Stewart, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer; Jenny Alexopulos, D.O.; Charles W. Grim, D.D.S.; R. Murali Krishna, M.D.; Edward A. Legako, M.D.; Timothy E. Starkey, M.B.A.

Absent: Terry R. Gerard, D.O.

Central Staff Present: Tom Bates, Interim Commissioner; Brian Downs, Commissioner’s Office; Tina Johnson, Deputy Commissioner, Community & Family Health Services; Gunnar McFadden, Assistant Deputy Commissioner, Community & Family Health Services; Lee Martin, Director, Medical Facilities Service; Julie Ezell, General Counsel, Office of General Counsel; Buffy Heater, Interim Director, Office of State and Federal Policy; Tony Sellars, Director, Office of Communications; Kim Bailey, Chief Operating Officer; Joyce Marshall, Director, Maternal & Child Health; Don Smalling, Interim Director, Office of Accountability Systems; Matt Terry, Investigator, Office of General Counsel; Margot Barnes, Director, Human Resources; and Diane Hanley, Executive Assistant, Commissioner’s Office.

Visitors in attendance: Gary Cox, Executive Director, Oklahoma City-County Health Department; Bruce Dart, Executive Director, Tulsa City-County Health Department; Tom Gruber, Senior Deputy Attorney General; Earl Sykes, Logan County Board of Health; Linda Charney, Logan County Partnership Coalition Chair, Family and Children’s Consultants; Tracy Zserdin, Guthrie Chamber of Commerce; Jeff Hirzel, Logan County Board of Health; Jan Ruhl, Logan County Board of Health; Roy Buchanan, Office of Juvenile Affairs; Jay Smith, Former OSDH Staff; Steve Ronck, Former OSDH Staff; Mikeal Murray, Accreditation Coordinator, Logan County Health Department; Stacy Maroney, Logan County Health Department; and Courtney McLemore, Logan County Health Department.

REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Burger directed attention toward approval of the Minutes for the March 13, 2018 regular meeting.

Dr. Alexopulos moved Board approval of the March 13th regular meeting minutes as presented. Second Dr. Legako. Motion Carried.

AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Grim, Krishna, Legako, Starkey, Stewart
ABSENT: Gerard

REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Burger directed attention toward approval of the Minutes for the March 28, 2018 special meeting.

Dr. Legako moved Board approval of the March 28th special meeting minutes as presented. Second Mr. Starkey. Motion Carried.

AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Grim, Krishna, Legako, Starkey, Stewart
ABSENT: Gerard

COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION

Mr. Gunnar McFadden, Assistant Deputy Commissioner, Community and Family Health Services and Interim Regional Director for Canadian, Kingfisher, and Logan County Health Department shared some historical facts
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and photographs about Logan County and the City of Guthrie. The Logan County Health Department was established in 1941 and was named in honor of General John Logan who served in the Civil War. In 1907, Guthrie was the first capital of Oklahoma. Mr. McFadden encouraged board members to visit many of the local historical buildings in Guthrie. He discussed some current Logan County health statistics, outcomes, and factors. He mentioned a current activity called the Great Bed Run. The Logan County Health Department has asked local businesses and organizations to build a bed on wheels and race them down the street to promote physical activity.

Mr. McFadden introduced Mikeal Murray, Logan County Health Department Accreditation Coordinator, who discussed the journey and process of how Logan County recently became nationally accredited. Mr. Murray stated it would not have been possible without the help of so many individuals and community partners. He extended deep gratitude to everyone who contributed to the process including the Logan County Health Department staff, Jay Smith (Former Regional Director for Logan County Health Dept.), the accreditation team, fellow accreditation coordinators, and OSDH staff who provided important final reviews before the plan was submitted to the Public Health Accreditation Board. Mr. Murray explained the entire accreditation process took about four to five years to complete. They are thrilled to be celebrating this achievement.

See Attachment A

CONSIDERATION, POSSIBLE ACTION AND VOTE TO MAKE THE HOSPITAL ADVISORY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS.

Hospital Advisory Council Appointments (Presented by Lee Martin)

Appointments: Six Members

Authority: Title 63 O.S. Section 1-707

Members: The advisory Council has (9) nine members, consisting of: two hospital administrators of licensed hospitals; two licensed physicians or practitioners who have current privileges to provide services in hospitals; two hospital employees; and three citizens representing the public who: are not hospital employees, do not hold hospital staff appointments, and are not members of hospital governing boards. Members are appointed by the Commissioner with the advice and consent of the State Board of Health.

Dr. Alexopulos moved Board approval to reappoint Heather Bell, Dale Bratzler, Jay Gregory, Darin Smith and appoint Daryle Voss, and Scott White as presented by Lee Martin. Second Dr. Stewart. Motion Carried.

AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Grim, Krishna, Legako, Starkey, Stewart
ABSENT: Gerard

CONSIDERATION, POSSIBLE ACTION AND VOTE ON APPOINTING ADMINISTRATIVE RULE ATTESTATION AND LIAISON OFFICERS.

Julie Ezell, General Counsel, explained that the Board, as the statutory rulemaking authority, is required to appoint an attestation officer and a liaison officer. The attestation officer assures that agency rules are in substantial compliance with the Administrative Procedures Act. The liaison officer communicates with the Secretary of State and also submits all necessary documentation. Mrs. Ezell explained that the letter, included in the Board’s packet, is required and will communicate the new attestation officer appointment of Commissioner Bates, to the Secretary of State.

Dr. Krishna moved Board approval to appoint Administrative Rule Attestation and Liaison Officers as presented. Second Dr. Grim. Motion Carried.

AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Grim, Krishna, Legako, Starkey, Stewart
ABSENT: Gerard

CONSIDERATION, POSSIBLE ACTION AND VOTE TO DIRECT STAFF TO PREPARE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE QUESTION 788 – MEDICAL MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION.

Mrs. Buffy Heater, Interim Director for State and Federal Policy, requested board approval to create an OSDH implementation planning committee to prepare for the possible passage of State Question 788, Medical Marijuana Legalization, on the ballot for June 26, 2018. Timelines for implementation will be aggressive and OSDH wants to be proactive and well poised to be in compliance with the law should it pass.
Interim Commissioner Bates informed the board members that voting on this matter was no indication of their position on State Question 788.

Dr. Krishna moved Board approval to create an implementation planning committee for State Question 788 as presented. Second Dr. Legako. Motion Carried.

AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Grim, Krishna, Legako, Starkey, Stewart
ABSENT: Gerard

CONSIDERATION OF STANDING COMMITTEES REPORTS AND ACTION

Executive Committee
Ms. Burger reported that the committee discussed shortening the multi-day annual board retreat. She reminded board members the annual employee recognition ceremony will be next month in May. She also mentioned the OSDH Senate Budget Hearing will be held on April 24th.

Finance Committee
Mr. Starkey stated that finance staff is actively interviewing candidates for Controller and Chief Financial Officer as well as working to create a baseline budget that includes core public health services.

Accountability, Ethics, & Audit Committee
Dr. Grim indicated there were no known significant audit issues to report at this time.

Public Health Policy Committee
Dr. Stewart reported the main topics of discussion were on formalizing plans for SQ 788 and also several bills impacting agency governance. A couple of bills that have made it to the Governor’s desk for signature includes one bill dealing with the reporting structure of the Office of Accountability Systems and another bill that amends board members requirement/experience to at least two Board of Health members with five years business related experience. Dr. Stewart expressed appreciation to the policy staff for all their work in keeping the board updated in a timely manner. He provided upcoming legislative deadlines and informed board members they would continue receiving policy updates.

REPORT OF THE INTERIM COMMISSIONER
Mr. Tom Bates, Interim Commissioner, shared that on his first day he met with OSDH senior staff and then spent several hours touring the building and meeting with every program area. He learned a lot about how much the department does and appreciates the staff and daily work being accomplished. He indicated he is committed to implementing the recommendations of the Joint Commission. Moving forward to budget planning for the next fiscal year, Mr. Bates stated staff will have open, transparent conversations to identify critical core area needs and resources and will work to align resources to the core mission and statutorily mandated functions. He wants to ensure the great work going on everyday continues uninterrupted.

NEW BUSINESS
No new business.

ADJOURNMENT
Dr. Grim moved Board approval to Adjourn. Second Dr. Stewart. Motion carried.

AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Grim, Krishna, Legako, Starkey, Stewart
ABSENT: Gerard

The meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Approved

Martha Burger, M.B.A.
President, Oklahoma State Board of Health
May 8, 2018