

Tri-Board of Health Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2018 at 1:00 pm
Oklahoma City-County Health Department - Auditorium
2600 NE 63rd Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73111

Present	Tulsa City-County Board of Health (TCCBH)	Oklahoma City-County Board of Health (OCCBH)	Oklahoma State Board of Health (OSBH)
Board of Health Members Present	Mike Stout, PhD	Dr. Gary Raskob, Chair Dr. Stephen Cagle Dr. Timothy Hill Mary Mélon Scott Mitchell Dr. Courtney Gray Dr. J. Don Harris	Tim Starkey, MBA, Chair Charles Grim, DDS R. Murali Krishna, MD Ronald Osterhout Becky Payton Chuck Skillings
Health Department Staff Present	Bruce Dart, PhD Scott Buffington Priscilla Haynes Elizabeth Nutt Chanteau Orr, JD Pam Rask Leanne Stephens Kelly VanBuskirk Jumao Wang Jenna Grant	Gary Cox, JD Bob Jamison Myron Coleman John Gogets Phil Maytubby Jackie Shawnee Patrick McGough Rebecca Rhodes Brendan Hope Kay Hulin	Tom Bates, JD Kim Bailey Buffy Heater Brian Downs Keith Reed Kristy Bradley Tina Johnson Gloria Hudson James Joslin Joy Fugett Gunnar McFadden Tony Sellars Portia King Jordan Canary Diane Hanley
Others Present	Tyler Talley, eCapitol Lance Thomas, Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET) Jacqueline McDaniel, OHHF Brandi Williamson, Parent/Citizen of Oklahoma Sarah VanAlstine, Oklahoma Occupational Therapy Association (OKOTA) David White, Oklahoma AIDS Care Fund (OACF) David Dude, American Cancer Society Liza Greve, Oklahomans for Health & Parental Rights (OKHPR)		
Absent	TCCBH	OCCBH	OSBH
Board of Health Members Absent	Kian Kamas, Chair Chris Bell, JD, RN Heath Evans, DDS Mike Jones, DVM Emily Odom Ann Paul, MPH Sarah-Anne Schumann, MD	Erika Lucas Dr. Lois Salmeron	Jenny Alexopoulos, DO Terry Gerard II, DO Edward Legako, MD

The final agenda was posted on the TCCBH and OCCHD's website at 2:10 pm on Thursday, September 27, 2018 and building entrance at 12:05 pm on Friday, September 28, 2018. The final agenda was also posted on the OSDH's website at 9:20 am and the building entrance at 11:03 am on Monday, October 1, 2018.

CALL TO ORDER, OPENING REMARKS, INTRODUCTIONS

Tim Starkey, Chair of the Oklahoma State Board of Health, called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m. He welcomed everyone and introduced board members.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT UPDATES

From Bruce Dart, PhD (THD), Gary Cox, JD (OCCHD), Tom Bates, JD (OSDH)

Bruce Dart, Ph.D., Executive Director (TCCBH), said it was good when the three Oklahoma boards of health could come together. Oklahoma had challenges but there were improvements too. Tulsa moved up to #15 in the state health rankings. At Tulsa Health Department major cultural changes were being made with the goal of Tulsa becoming the healthiest county in the nation within the next ten years. Dart appreciated the partnership with OSBH and OCCBH and looked forward to working together.

Gary Cox, J.D, Executive Director (OCCHD), welcomed everyone in attendance and noted it had been a challenging year, but we are making progress as well. On behalf of Mayor Cornett and now Mayor Holt, we have applied to Bloomberg Philanthropies on a concept centered around a public health approach to criminal justice reform. The Project focuses on two areas: a) diversion of low-risk, high-need individuals with the use of community health workers; and b) creation of a data dashboard by linking the criminal justice system, public health, hospital and other relevant data systems to provide an overall picture of needs and reduce duplication of services and efforts. There will be (1) \$5M winner and (4) \$1M winners announced end of this month.

At the request of the Inasmuch Foundation, a luncheon was held for local funders and we have received a commitment of matching dollars. These funds will be used to fund a multi-generational approach to reform and piloting efforts at our Southern Oaks campus. It's important to note that 1 in 4 kids in the Oklahoma City Public School System have or have had a parent incarcerated. Therefore, our focus will be on addressing trauma in high-risk kids and working with the entire family to break the cycle of incarceration. OCCHD is taking the successful pilots using community health workers and working to expand into other sectors to address social determinants of health. We will be expanding after school programming efforts at our Southern Oaks Campus, which is scheduled to open very soon, and working alongside partners to offer training and wraparound services.

Tom Bates, Interim Commissioner of Health (OSDH), reported that the OSDH is making progress in filling vacant positions in the county health departments due to the reduction in force. The agency has hired a new Chief Financial Officer, Gloria Hudson. Finance staff has been busy establishing new financial processes and addressing audit reports. Mr. Bates has spoken with legislative leaders concerning the \$30 million supplemental appropriation and the commitment to ensure that money is available at the next legislative session. With the passage of State Question 788, Mr. Bates highlighted the outstanding work of our public health professionals who were able to implement a new program under scrutiny and pressure. He is proud of all the work accomplished in launching the Oklahoma Medical Marijuana Authority (OMMA) Program.

GENERAL POLICY DISCUSSION

a) Joint Commission Report Update

Mr. Bates discussed the importance of the Joint Commission Report and how its recommendations are being utilized to guide decision-making across the agency. Some themes of the core recommendations include accountability, resource allocation, decision-making autonomy, creating local community partnerships, and collaborating across IT Infrastructure. In an effort to improve support for the OSDH county health departments and regional directors, Community and Family Health Services was separated into two smaller, more manageable divisions, Family Health Services and Community

Health Services. Tina Johnson is the Deputy Commissioner for Family Health Services and Keith Reed is the new Deputy Commissioner for Community Health Services. This change will allow Mr. Reed to focus exclusively on county health departments and help them create more community partnerships and pursue other opportunities such as local grants. Another recommendation of the Joint Commission Report was to form a Joint Council made up of the Commissioner of Health, Executive Directors of OCCHD and TCCHD, and an individual from the rural/county health department. This council has been formed and is meeting regularly. Discussions have been productive. There are areas that need improvement and this council will continue to discuss processes to improve efficiencies and interoperability of IT systems. We are committed to working together to find solutions that are fair and reasonable to meet the needs and concerns of everyone involved.

b) Big Picture Issues and Strategies (Policy Priorities)/Legislative Advocacy

Looking ahead at policy priorities, Mr. Bates asked Buffy Heater, Chief of Data, Public Policy & Promotion Officer with OSDH, to provide an update on the Oklahoma Health Improvement Plan (OHIP) ongoing efforts. Mrs. Heater shared that in addition to the current flagship priorities of tobacco, obesity, children's health, and behavioral health this group has identified some additional priority areas of focus. Those include access to care, mental health, opioid addiction and prevention, childhood trauma, and increasing the tobacco excise tax. The OHIP group discussed the importance of having a unified voice for public health when communicating with the public, colleagues, legislators, and elected officials. Staff is currently working to develop an infographic on how the information will be disseminated across the state. OHIP is no longer covered under statute but committee members do plan to develop another 5-year plan for 2020. If board members want OHIP to be statutorily required, they would need to take appropriate actions to do so.

c) Two to Three Focus Items that will Impact Health

Discussion followed in regard to the importance of legislative advocacy, prioritizing focus items, and creating a strategic policy approach to be most effective for public health. In rural areas, community engagement, support for coalitions and local partnerships are key to progress and success. Local communities need to be encouraged to seek initiatives and resources that fit the needs of the communities they serve. Continuity and flexibility are necessary to meet the different needs across the state.

Potential Policy Priorities Discussed:

- Tobacco/Vaping
- Access to Care & Provider Shortages
- Health Insurance Coverage
- Poverty
- Mental Health
- Childhood Trauma
- Opioid Crisis
- Obesity
- Education and Programs in Schools Statewide (to reach high-risk populations, children and families)
- Eat less/Move More/Stop Smoking

In closing, Mr. Bates asked OSDH staff to work on a joint statement of policy goals that will be distributed among the board members for review and potential action.

NO NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Starkey adjourned the meeting at 2:25 pm.

Approved

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Starkey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Timothy E. Starkey. M.B.A
President, Oklahoma State Board of Health
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