



**Williamson County and Cities Health District
Board of Health Meeting
Wednesday, October 13, 2021 1:30p.m.
Round Rock Public Health Center
Scott D. Evans Conference Room
355 Texas Ave., Round Rock, TX 78664**

The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. by Board of Health Chair Kathy Pierce.

- 1) Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
Ms. Pierce led the Pledge.
- 2) Roll call was taken.
Present: Chair Katy Pierce (Williamson County), David Morgan (Georgetown), Ed Tydings (Williamson County), Laurie Hadley (Round Rock), Jeffery Jenkins (Taylor), Chris Copple (Cedar Park), Derrick Neal (WCCHD).

Absent: Rick Beverlin (Leander/Liberty Hill), Bob Farley (Hutto)
- 3) Acknowledge staff and visitors; hear any comments.
Staff members and visitors present: Carl Shahady of Tiemann, Shahady & Hamala, Cindy Botts, Deb Strahler, Dr. Caroline Hilbert, Michelle Broddrick, Ivah Sorber, Dr. Amanda Norwood, Melissa Tung, Martha Dickie of Almanza, Blackburn, Dickie & Michell, LLP, Jack Daly of the City of Georgetown, Matt Wojnowski of the City of Hutto.

CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda includes items considered to be routine that the Board of Health may act on with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a Board director in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the regular agenda. (Items 4-11)

- 4) Approval of minutes, Regular Meeting 09/01/21
- 5) Approval of current investment report (August 2021, September 2021)
- 6) Approval of DSHS PHEP Hazards Grant
- 7) Approval of DSHS IDCU Expansion Grant
- 8) Approval of DSHS COVID-19 Health Disparities Funding
- 9) Approval of 2021 MRC Operational Readiness Grant
- 10) Approval of NACCHO Vaccine Uptake through COVID-19 Funding for Local Health Departments
- 11) Approval of DSHS COVID19 Vaccination Capacity Grant

Mr. Morgan asked for clarification on the timing of the investment report to the Board of Health. Ms. Broddrick explained that they were typically included at every Board Meeting, for the period since the prior meeting. She explained that they can also be included on a quarterly basis, per the Board's financial review timing prior request.

1:40 PM – Rick Beverlin arrived for the Meeting

Mr. Copple asked that Item 6 be pulled from the Consent agenda for discussion.

Motion to approve the consent agenda, excluding Item 6.

Moved: Jeffery Jenkins
Seconded: Ed Tydings
Vote: Approved unanimously

REGULAR AGENDA

- 6) Approval of DSHS PHEP Hazards Grant

Mr. Copple asked for clarification on the 10% match requirement of the grant and if the FY21 Budget would be amended to include this requirement. Ms. Broddrick explained that this grant is a standard annual grant received from DSHS and the 10% match has typically been

paid out of medical insurance funding. The Board requested that the impact upon the budget be stated in the background documentation for each grant moving forward. Mr. Jenkins also offered to provide sample language for this change to Ms. Broddrick.

Motion to approve Item 6 – Approval of DSHS PHEP Hazards Grant

Moved: Chris Copple
Seconded: Laurie Hadley
Vote: Approved unanimously

1:46PM – Executive Session called

3:51PM – reconvened to Regular Session

- 21) Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on pending or contemplated litigation, settlement matters and other legal matters, including the following:
- a. Litigation or claims or potential litigation or claims against WCCHD or by WCCHD
 - b. Status Update-Pending Cases or Claims
 - c. Employee/personnel related matters
 - d. Other confidential attorney-client matters, including contract and certain matters related to WCCHD defense issues in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body within the attorney/client relationship clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.
 - e. Notice of claims against WCCHD by Derrick Neal, Executive Director

Motion to place Executive Director, Derrick Neal, on Administrative Leave immediately, with pay, pending the results of an investigation.

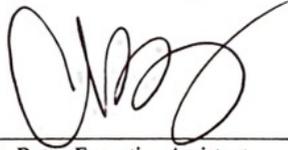
Moved: David Morgan
Seconded: Chris Copple
Vote: Approved unanimously

22) Adjourn

Motion to adjourn and schedule another meeting as soon as possible to discuss the remaining items on this agenda.

Moved: David Morgan
Seconded: Ed Tydings
Vote: Approved unanimously

Board Chair Pierce adjourned the meeting at 3:54 p.m.

Recorded by: 
Cindy Botts, Executive Assistant

Reviewed by: 
Chris Copple, Secretary