

SALT LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES  
May 2, 2019 7:30 AM  
County Government Center  
Suite N2-800

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Dr. William Cosgrove, Chair  
Russ Booth  
Councilmember Arlyn Bradshaw  
Scott Brown  
Clare Coonan

Judy Cullen  
Mayor Robert Dahle  
Brooke Hashimoto  
Dr. Ruedi Tillmann  
Dr. Dorothea Verbrugge

**EXCUSED/ABSENT:**

Kelly Christensen  
Chris Hemmersmeier  
Roderic Land

Lavanya Mahate  
Leticia Medina

**GUESTS/STAFF:**

Gary Edwards, Exec. Dir.  
Audrey Stevenson, FH Dir.  
Jeff Smart, CH Dir.  
Pamela Davenport, PIO  
Abby Laver, Mayor's Office  
Karen Crompton, HS Dir.  
Councilmember Shireen Ghorbani  
Representative Patrice Arent  
Lori Burk, Admin  
Ricardo Flores, Admin  
Kami Peterson, FH  
Kerry Cramer, EH  
Andrea Gamble, EH  
Melanie Spencer, MO  
Tracy Altman, UUHP  
Derek Seashore, ABC4

Dagmar Vitek, Deputy Dir.  
Royal DeLegge, EH Dir.  
Zachary Stovall, Fiscal Mng.  
Mayor Jennifer Wilson  
Chloe Morroni, Mayor's Office  
Christopher Otto, HS Deputy Dir.  
Marla Kennedy, Council Office  
Mitch Park, Deputy Dist. Atty.  
Debby Vanetti, Admin  
Stephanie Hart, FH  
Jeff Oaks, EH  
Brett Burgi, EH  
Andrea Price, MO  
Jodi Neerings, MO  
Jason Nguyen, ABC4  
Heather Edwards, Admin

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The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:30 AM by Dr. William Cosgrove, Chair, of the Salt Lake County Board of Health.

**MINUTES:**

Dr. Cosgrove asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes from the April 4, 2019, Board of Health meeting. *The motion was made by Judy Cullen, seconded by Russ Booth, to approve the minutes from the April 4, 2019, Board of Health meeting.* The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted "Aye."

**CHAIR'S REPORT:**

*Excused Board Members*

Dr. Cosgrove informed the Board that Chris Hemmersmeier and Roderic Land asked to be excused from the meeting today.

*2019 National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) Conference*

Dr. Cosgrove informed Board members that the NALBOH annual conference will be held in Denver, CO, August 15-16, and he and Dr. Verbrugge will be attending. He let Board members know there is availability for one more person to attend and anyone interested should contact Heather.

*Budget Committee Meeting*

Dr. Cosgrove stated that the department is preparing for June budget adjustments and the Board budget committee will meet prior to the June Board meeting to review the full details; Heather will schedule the meeting.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

*Disease Updates*

Gary informed Board members that there will be a presentation on Legionnaires disease later in the meeting. The department is currently monitoring mumps cases and working to identify individuals impacted. He also stated that there are no confirmed cases of measles in the state and the department continues to be notified of suspect cases.

*Dr. Cosgrove*

Gary announced that Dr. Cosgrove will be featured on KUTV2 news today to discuss the importance of vaccinations. Dr. Cosgrove also participated as a keynote speaker during the Utah Conference for Public Health in Ogden on April 25 and discussed the effects of adverse childhood experiences.

*Earth Day Celebration*

Gary informed Board members that Environmental Health hosted Earth Day events on Friday, April 19. Students from Parkside Elementary School attended and participated in activities, planted seeds, and receive information regarding health and the environment. The department also conducted an organized noxious weed clean-up event in the County as part of the Earth Day celebration.

*Business & Health Symposium*

Gary informed Board members that the department, in partnership with Salt Lake Community College and Get Healthy Utah, held a successful Business & Health Symposium on April 9, 2019. The symposium featured a speaker from the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce and area businesses were invited to attend. Gary thanked Scott Brown for the support of Salt Lake Community College and informed the Board that the department is hoping to make this an annual event.

*Representative McAdams Joint Healthcare Panel*

Gary informed the Board that he participated on a health panel, organized by Representative McAdams, on April 25, 2019, to discuss Salt Lake County healthcare concerns. This was a good opportunity to discuss the role of public health and the role of prevention and how these impact the healthcare systems. He was able to discuss social determinants of health and the panel discussed how ACES impact healthcare systems.

*WIC Funding*

Gary stated that the department has been notified that there are no cuts anticipated to the WIC Program funding for this current fiscal year, which ends in September. Gary will keep the Board informed if there are anticipated funding cuts in the future.

*Medical Cannabis Update*

Gary stated that there is nothing new to report for Utah local health department involvement in the dispensing of medical cannabis.

*Employee Recognition*

Gary recognized the following Health Department employees who received awards at the department's annual meeting in March:

- Lori Burk, Administration Division, *Lowell Bodily Get 'er Done award*
- Ricardo Flores, Administration Division, *Vision award*
- Melanie Spencer, Medical Division, *Vision award*
- Jodi Neerings, Medical Division, *Vision award*
- Brett Burgi, Environmental Health Division, *Vision award*
- Stephanie Hart, Family Health Division, *Vision award*

**SALT LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH BYLAWS:**

Gary Edwards, Executive Director, presented proposed amendments to the Salt Lake County Board of Health Bylaws; a copy of the Bylaws was provided in the Board packet, by email. Dr. William Cosgrove stated that the amendments include wording to allow for Board membership terms to be updated, as needed, to maintain one-third of the Board member rotations; updated meeting anchor location to the Salt Lake County Government Center; and removed language that requires the Board chair to remain impartial. Gary stated that he will be working with the District Attorney's Office to update the County Ordinance requiring representative from the unincorporated area of the County. Dr. Cosgrove asked for a motion to approve the Board of Health Bylaws. *The motion was made by Brooke Hashimoto, seconded by Clare Coonan, to adopt the Board of Health Bylaws.* The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted "Aye."

For more detailed information, please see a hardcopy of the by-laws included in the Board of Health meeting folder.

**EQAC NOMINATION:**

Royal DeLegge, Environmental Health Director, asked the Board to approve the appointment of Councilmember Shireen Ghorbani to the Environmental Quality Advisory Commission (EQAC), to fill the vacancy for the County Council representative. Councilmember Ghorbani stated she is excited to serve on the committee and looks forward to working with the department. Councilmember Arlyn Bradshaw stated that the County Council appointed her as their representative during their last Council meeting. Dr Cosgrove asked if there was a motion to approve the EQAC nomination. *The motion was made by Councilmember Arlyn Bradshaw, seconded by Scott Brown, to approve the EQAC nomination.* The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted "Aye."

For more detailed information, please see the hardcopy of the information included in the Board of Health meeting file folder.

**LEGIONNAIRE'S DISEASE:**

Andrea Price, Epidemiologist, and Kerry Cramer, Environmental Health Supervisor, presented information on Legionnaires' disease through a PowerPoint presentation. Slides included:

- *Legionella* Bacteria
- Symptoms
- Types of Cases
- Incidence Rates
- Outbreak Investigation: EPI
- Epidemiology Outbreak Investigation
- Environmental Health
- Legionella Ecology
- Environmental Health Response
- Environmental Health Response (Slide 2)
- Environmental Health Response (Slide 3)
- Environmental Health Response (Slide 4)
- HHS Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Memo
- Thoughts

For more detailed information, please see the hardcopy of the presentation included in the Board of Health meeting file folder.

**COUNTY HEALTH RANKINGS:**

Gary Edwards, Executive Director, presented the 2019 County Health Ranking through a PowerPoint presentation. Slides included:

- Differences in Health Outcome Measures among Healthiest UT County, Least Healthy UT County, and Salt Lake County
- Health Outcomes
- Premature Death in Salt Lake County, UT
- Health Factors: Healthy Behaviors
- Adult Obesity in Salt Lake County, UT
- Physical Inactivity in Salt Lake County, UT
- Sexually Transmitted Infections in Salt Lake County, UT
- Health Factors: Clinical Care
- Uninsured in Salt Lake County, UT
- Preventable Hospital Stays in Salt Lake County, UT
- Mammography Screening in Salt Lake County, UT
- Health Factors: Social and Economic Factors
- Unemployment in Salt Lake County, UT
- Children in Poverty in Salt Lake County, UT
- Violent Crimes in Salt Lake County, UT
- Health Factors – Physical Environment
- Air Pollution – Particulate Matter in Salt Lake County, UT
- Salt Lake County Health Outcomes and Health Factors Ranking 2010-2019
- Salt Lake County Specific Health Outcomes and Factors Ranking 2010-2019
- Significant Challenges to Meeting Utah Rate

- Significant Challenges to Meeting National Benchmark
- Salt Lake County Ranks in the 90th Percentile
- Salt Lake County Compared to Selected Peer Counties

For more detailed information, please see the hardcopy of the presentation and report included in the Board of Health meeting file folder.

**SALT LAKE COUNTY:**

Mayor Jennifer Wilson gave a brief introduction of herself and top priorities for her administration, including a new position for an environmental ambassador for the County. She will be working with Gary and Councilmember Bradshaw to monitor health initiatives for the County. She thanked Board members for their service to Salt Lake County and stated she looks forward to engaging with the Board in the future.

**AIR QUALITY ALLY AWARDS PRESENTATION:**

Dr. William Cosgrove, Chair, and Mayor Jennifer Wilson presented the second annual Air Quality Ally award to Representative Patrice Arent, for her continued legislative initiatives to address air quality in Utah. Representative Arent has championed air quality issues and continues her work to make air quality a priority among her fellow legislators.

For more detailed information, please see the hardcopy of the award write-up included in the Board of Health meeting file folder.

Dr. Cosgrove adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:02 AM.