

SALT LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES
December 2, 2021 – 7:30 AM
County Government Center, N2-800

Due to the health and safety risks related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and the recent increase in COVID-19 cases, the Salt Lake County Board of Health will be conducting this meeting electronically. Consistent with the provisions of the Utah Open and Public Meetings Act, Utah Code Ann. § 52-4-207(4), the Salt Lake County Board of Health will provide space and facilities at the anchor location so that interested persons and the public may attend, monitor, and participate in the open portions of the meeting. However, due to the high rate of COVID-19 transmission in the County, members of the public are strongly encouraged to participate in the Board’s electronic meeting as described below, rather than participating in person.

WebEx (toll free in the U.S.):
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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Dorothea Verbrugge, Chair	Dan Eckersley
Councilmember Arlyn Bradshaw	Roderic Land
Michele Corigliano	Pimmie Lopez
Rylee Curtis	Leticia Medina
Mayor Robert Dahle	Dr. Dan Poulson
Kalina Duncan	Mimi Shen

EXCUSED/ABSENT:

Mollie Nordgren

GUESTS/STAFF:

Dr. Angela Dunn, Executive Director	Dorothy Adams, Associate Director
Ron Lund, EH Director	Jeff Smart, CH Director
Zachary Stovall, Fiscal Manager	Stacia Sidlow, Deputy Dist. Atty.
Karen Crompton, HS Director	Erin Litvack, Deputy Mayor
Gabriel Moreno, PIO	Eric Peterson, EH
Dan Moore, EH	Mary Hill, PH
Michelle McGaughey, PH	Leonard Bagalwa, Health Access Project
Colby Child, Health Access Project	Tyson Jackson, KUTV News
Jeffrey Haasch	Heather Edwards, Admin.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:34 AM by Dr. Dorothea Verbrugge, Chair, of the Salt Lake County Board of Health.

CITIZEN PUBLIC COMMENT:

Comments are limited to 3 minutes unless otherwise approved by the Salt Lake County Board of Health. Jeffrey Haasch provided comment regarding Health Regulation #14, *Watershed Regulation*.

MINUTES:

Dr. Dorothea Verbrugge, Chair, asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2021, Board of Health meeting. *The motion was made by Councilmember Bradshaw, seconded by*

Roderic Land, to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2021, Board of Health meeting. The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted “Aye.”

CHAIR’S REPORT:

Excused Board Members

Dr. Verbrugge informed the Board that Mollie Nordgren asked to be excused from the meeting today.

Public Health Day

Dr. Verbrugge informed the Board that November 22, 2021, was *Public Health Thank You Day* and the department recognized staff for their continued hard work.

2022 Board of Health Meeting Schedule

Dr. Verbrugge asked the Board to approve the 2022 Board of Health meeting schedule. *The motion was made by Councilmember Bradshaw, seconded by Pimmie Lopez, to approve the 2022 meeting schedule. The motion passed showing all Board members present voted “Aye.”*

Legislative Breakfast Meeting

Dr. Verbrugge informed Board members that there will be a virtual meeting with the County Legislative Delegation on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, from 7:30-8:30 AM. Heather will send out the meeting information next week.

Nominating Committee

Dr. Verbrugge stated that it is time to appoint a nominating committee to select the 2022 2nd Vice Chair. Rylee Curtis, Roderic Land, and Mimi Shen stated they are willing to serve on the committee. *The motion was made by Councilmember Bradshaw, seconded by Mayor Dahle, to appoint Rylee Curtis, Roderic Land, and Mimi Shen to serve on the nominating committee. The motion passed showing all Board members present voted “Aye.”*

DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

2022 Budget Adopted

Dr. Angela Dunn announced that the 2022 budget has been approved by the Mayor and County Council and is currently open for public comment through December 7. The budget includes six new full-time positions and the request for COVID vaccine funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was fully funded by the Council.

Health Department Vacancies

Dr. Angela Dunn introduced Michelle McGaughey who recently was hired as the Emergency Preparedness Manager, and Michelle provided a brief intro to the Board. Dr. Dunn informed the board that the department is currently interviewing for the Population Health and Family Health Division Director positions this month.

Strategic Planning

Dr. Angela Dunn informed the Board that the department recently selected Omni Health to develop a new department strategic plan and the department leadership team will be working closely with the contractor beginning in 2022 to develop the plan

Board of Health Membership Requirements

Stacia Sidlow, Deputy District Attorney, reviewed the requirements for the Board of Health membership as outlined in the Board bylaws with a PowerPoint presentation. Slides included:

- Board of Health Members
- Currently Board of Health Composition

Stacia stated that the Board needs to fill the non-health care professional licensed in the state, as required, and asked if there were any Board members with this type of license. After further discussion it was determined that Leticia Medina fills this request with her Substance Abuse Counselor licensure.

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

HEALTH REGULATION #37 TOBACCO RETAILER & ELECTRONIC SMOKING

DEVICE: Ron Lund, Environmental Health Director, presented Health Regulation #37, *Tobacco Retailer & Electronic Smoking Device*, and asked the Board to repeal the regulation. The regulation was opened for public comment during the October 7, 2021, Board meeting, and a public hearing held on November 30, 2021, where Mimi Shen served as the hearing officer. The department received no public comment.

Dr. Verbrugge asked if there was a motion to repeal Health Regulation #37. *The motion was made by Kalina Duncan, seconded by Michele Corigliano, to repeal Health Regulation #37.* The motion passed unanimously, showing that all Board members present voted “Aye.”

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

HEALTH ACCESS PROJECT:

Leonard Bagalwa, Health Access Project Director, presented the 2021 Health Access Project (HAP) Annual Report through a PowerPoint presentation. Slides included:

- Who we are
- Our Mission
- HAP Staffing
- Our Clients
- Our Services
- Our Case Manager
- Major Funding Partners
- Funding and Budget
- Other Partners
- Program Success
- Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway Event
- Contact Info

Dr. Verbrugge asked if there was a motion to approve the 2022 HAP contract. *The motion was made by Rylee Curtis, seconded by Roderic Land, to approve the 2022 HAP contract.* The motion passed showing all Board members present voted “Aye.”

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

COVID-19 UPDATE:

Mary Hill, Epidemiology Bureau Manager, reviewed data with a Power Point presentation. Slides included:

- Salt Lake County Confirmed COVID-19 Cases
- Daily Incidence with Smoothed Spline Curve and Estimated Trajectory
- 7-Day Rolling Average Percent Positive Rates by Specimen Collection Date
- Transmission Index
- 7-Day Case Rate by Age
- COVID-NET Hospitalizations by Month
- Statewide Hospital and ICU Utilization
- COVID-19 Deaths by Month
- Vaccinations by Age Group
- 21% of Residents 5-11 YO Are Vaccinated With At Least 1 Dose
- 21% of Those Fully Vaccinated Have Boosters
- Children Under 5 – What’s Next?
- Hot Spots
- School-Associated Cases
- COVID-19 Case Rates by School Districts
- COVID-19 Case Rates by School Districts – All Grades
- 14-Day Testing and Percent Positivity by School District
- Testing
- COVID-19 Outbreaks
- Breakthrough Cases
- Age Adjusted Incidence Rates by Vaccination Status – Last 28 Days
- Age Adjusted Hospitalization Rates by Vaccination Status – Last 28 Days
- Age Adjusted Death Rates by Vaccination Status – Last 28 Days
- The Omicron Variant is Driving a New Way of Cases in South Africa
- What We Know
- What We Don’t Know
- Omicron Surveillance Plan

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Dr. Verbrugge adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:57 AM.