

## Minutes of the Health Committee

The Health Committee of the McLean County Board met on Monday, May 2, 2016, at 4:30 PM in Room 400 of the Government Center, 115 East Washington Street, Bloomington, IL.

Members Present: Chairman Schafer; Members Wendt, Harris, Gordon, Robustelli, Martin and Wollrab

Members Absent: None

Other Members Present: Member Soeldner, Metsker

Staff Present: Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator; Ms. Hannah Eisner, Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary, County Administrator's Office; Mr. Don Knapp, Assistant Civil State's Attorney

Department Heads/  
Elected Officials  
Present:

Mr. Walt Howe, Health Department Administrator

Others Present: Ms. Laura Beavers, Ms. Nicole Aune, Ms. Cathy Colverston-Anderson; Cathy Waltz

Chairman Schafer called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM and declared a quorum. Chairman Schafer confirmed there were no appearances by members of the public.

Motion by Harris/Robustelli to approve the April 4, 2016 minutes.  
Motion carried.

Cathy Waltz presented the McLean County Juvenile Detention Center Health Care Report to the Committee. She went over the numbers which now include pharmacy information and lab tests. Mr. Wendt asked about the 1 TB indicated on the form and how they were treated. Mr. Waltz went over the tests they do to follow up. Ms. Wollrab indicated that she appreciated the cumulative numbers so that she would see the ups and downs throughout the year. Mr. Soeldner asked her to explain the Medication Error Reports. Ms. Waltz explained that it is a report where they note if they miss a dose and any changes in dosage they need to make for the next dose. Chairman Schafer asked if there were further questions for Cathy Waltz, hearing none she thanked her for her input.

Mr. Wasson stated that there was also an Adult Detention Center Healthcare Report in the packet that they would be updating monthly.

Chairman Schafer indicated that Ms. Wegner was not present at the meeting and that her report was in the packet for the Committee and Mr. Wasson would answer any questions that the Committee might have. Ms. Harris asked about the fluctuation in

numbers. Mr. Wasson stated that it is not unusual but we do not want to see the trend from the last few months continue. Chairman Schafer asked if there were any questions about the general report, hearing none she moved on to the Health Department.

Mr. Howe presented his monthly report which contained a summary of the programs for the months of January through March of 2016 including total clients, total contacts or total activity for each program. Ms. Harris stated that Mr. Howe had indicated previously that the strategic plan would help understand the goal of behavioral health and provide a template for future direction for integrating behavioral health into the health program. She stated that there are many things about data sharing but very little about behavioral health in the strategic plan. Mr. Howe stated that the strategic plan is designed around the 10 essential public health services and how we move those forward. He indicated that it is not an operational strategic plan and was not designed to address or comment on the particular programs that we have in operation. He stated that it is designed to be used for certification when the Department of Public Health comes every 5 years so we have standard baseline data to show them. Ms. Harris asked him to discuss how they could help people receive health services for mental health issues. Mr. Howe stated that they address what they are going to do with behavioral health in another section of the strategic plan.

Chairman Schafer asked him to clarify that the numbers on the general report were the numbers expended out of the 1.2 million this year. Mr. Howe confirmed that. Mr. Wendt asked about new employees they expected to hire in 2017. Mr. Howe stated they were looking for additional staff in the clinical area to help with intake and data entry and some epidemiological assistance. Mr. Wendt stated that he had a concern about hiring new employees because of the lack of a State budget and the County having to supplement the cost of new employees. Mr. Howe stated that they would definitely look at that when they came to the Committee to request additional staffing. Ms. Harris asked about the preparation and distribution costs and effectiveness of the annual report they presented as the last meeting. Mr. Howe stated they are mandated to provide the report in paper form. He stated he did not have solid numbers but would figure it was distributed to about 1,000 people or entities, but several of those received it electronically. He stated that he gets a lot of positive comments about the report.

Nicole Aune, the Health Promotion Manager with the Health Department presented the strategic plan. She went through the process to develop the plan including:

- an environmental scan where they collected data regarding population, and the physical, sociological and technological environments of the community,
- a SWAT analysis organizing information into strengths and weaknesses, opportunities and threats,
- an assessment of the current plan to determine whether items in it were complete, ongoing or no longer relevant, and
- an analysis of 10 essential services and how we can better fulfill these services.

She stated the information was taken to the Board of Health for their feedback, then back to Managers for changes and it would go back to the Board of Health for final feedback and approval.

Nicole indicated that the plan is vision focused where they will keep current activities, and then the objectives will focus on what we want to do in the next five years. She went through the objectives of the essential services including:

- Monitor and evaluate health status to identify community health problems by having local health providers complete a health survey to increase information.
- Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community by identifying areas where they need to increase public awareness.
- Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues, by keeping the public more informed about prevention and services they offer.
- Mobilize community partnerships to identify and solve health problems by continuing to work with BroMenn, OSF and United Way on a joint community health plan.
- Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts by looking for ways to generating funds for the many non-funded mandates and programs they have in the Health Department.
- Enforce laws and regulations that protect and ensure public health and safety.
- Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable by making services available that might not have been available before.
- Assure a competent public and personal health care work force where they work to address the fact that always having to do more with less. She stated there are a lot of non-funded mandates but more reporting requirements make sure enough staff to meet the needs.
- Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal population – based health services by working to develop better reporting methods to determine the effectiveness of programs.
- Research for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems by working with universities and research committees to explore best practices and better approaches.

Chairman Schafer asked if the Committee had questions. Mr. Wendt asked that they bring the revenues and costs associated with the Strategic plan to the Committee before they get the strategic plan approved by the Board of Health. Mr. Gordon asked about definitions of SWOT Analysis, EMR System, and ANP. Ms. Aune gave the definitions. Ms. Harris asked if they have a grant specialist on the advisory board. Ms. Beavers stated that the mental health advisory board is comprised of individuals who specialize in area of mental health that will provide advice to the Board of Health, but they will not seek grants. Mr. Howe indicated that Ms. Harris might be referring to the national accreditation that will be a required for any Health Department to acquire federal monies in the future. Mr. Howe indicated that they currently have a contract person with the Health Department who searches for federal grants. Mr. Robustelli thanked them for all of the work they put into the strategic plan and the work they do at

the Health Department. He went on to say that he felt they missed an opportunity as they did not point out the who, what, why, when and how of the objectives. He said he felt that if they had utilized external groups in developing the strategic plan they would have gotten feedback that would have pushed them to develop it more fully and explain to the community why a strategic plan is important. He stated that instead it reads like a very jargon filled and wonky internal document. He stated that he felt that we needed to be able to look at the document 5 years from now and know that we did or did not succeed with each objective and explain why we did or did not meet it and the objectives in this plan are not clear enough to accomplish that.

Mr. Martin asked them to elaborate on their efforts involving Mental Health and the County jail. Ms. Beavers went over the initiatives they currently have with the County jail and the ones they are developing and expanding. Mr. Martin asked about capturing data to make sure they are effective programs. Ms. Beavers indicated they do not currently have an electronic system to do that. She indicated that they keep track of those served and those who had access on paper but cannot determine effectiveness that way. Ms. Beavers indicated that the State is no longer supporting many initiatives such as data link which is a criminal justice data system that captures information for individuals in behavioral health. Ms. Wollrab thanked the staff for their time and indicated there was a lot of good information in the strategic plan. She indicated that when she was at a conference regarding the American Health Care System every speaker's slides had at least one page showing the different aspects of healthcare and behavioral health as always a major component of the American Health Care System with each speaker. She stated she felt that important piece was lacking in this document and the reporting that comes in each quarter. She stated that we are giving \$318,000 for mental health and substance abuse but she didn't feel there is an ownership of the severe problems we have in those areas in the community. Ms. Wollrab mentioned the McLean County Health Department website and lack of information about how to receive services for mental health problems. Ms. Aune stated there is a separate planning process, the I-Plan, that addresses community behavioral health needs. She stated that the strategic plan is not for addressing each of the health issues in the community or the specific goals of each program such as maternal health or oral care, but is designed to take a broader look at the Health Department. Mr. Howe stated the strategic plan is an issue related plan not a goals related plan. Chairman Schafer stated she understood plan is a vision, but it is very high level and they could have done a better problem explaining why each objective is included in the plan, provide information as to when you are going to implement, address who will be implementing the objectives or explain who would be paying the costs of the programs.

Mr. Howe stated that the target audience was not going to be the general public, but was geared to be presented to Board of Health who knows some of the issues in advance. Ms. Schafer asked them to confirm where the 10 essential definitions came from. Ms. Aune stated that they are available on the center for disease control and prevention website. Ms. Schafer asked about national accreditation, when it would be made mandatory and if they would be able to do all of these great things listed in the plan without seeking funding from other sources. Mr. Howe stated that they recognize

there are a lot of unknowns and will continue to aggressively pursue alternate sources of revenue. Mr. Wendt stated that he was surprised it was going to the Board of Health without revenue numbers and numbers showing the cost of programs to make sure the plan is feasible. Mr. Howe indicated they had a preliminary report with numbers that would need to be modified as they go along with the program. Mr. Wendt asked Mr. Howe to present figures to the Committee as the Committee is responsible for the financial aspect of the plan and will need to determine if it can be paid for before the Health Department begins to implement the plan. Mr. Gordon asked how they are determining who will be the responsible parties. Mr. Howe stated that it is easier to determine someone in the Health Department who will be responsible and are still working to determine community partners and they are still working on those.

Ms. Harris asked if the Mental Health Action Plan had been considered because in that Plan they had figured out how to enhance communication and outreach and had determined which services to highlight. She asked if the objectives for behavioral health are dependent on the tracking system they want to get. Ms. Beaver stated that the County plan referenced having a data collection system and the Streamline system does meet some of those objectives. Ms. Harris asked them to clarify the statement about getting funding from the County. Mr. Howe stated very difficult to attract medical staff at the salaries that we can offer and we need to change the structure by which the County will allow us to hire people at higher grades. He stated that once the structure is changed then the Health Department might be able to use alternative funding to help with salaries. Mr. Robustelli said that committee's purview is over the fiscal elements of the health department and if the Health Department is going to align future budgets with the strategic plan then a lot more information will be needed to explain the who, what, where, when and why. Mr. Howe stated that the committee would get more detail in the budgeting process. Mr. Robustelli asked about the impact that billable services will have on the delivery of needed services to the most vulnerable. Mr. Howe stated that is a concern for him and that he continually monitors programs that might have funding cut by the State of Illinois. He stated that they continue to look for alternate sources to help pay for programs.

Ms. Wollrab stated that Mr. Howe tried to explain the lack of behavioral health, mental health and substance abuse services in the document by stating that the plan was a general document and did not provide specific service information, but page after page of the document lists very specific services. She stated that this is an important community issue and the Health Department as a key player in being able to coordinate these services as people come in for other services, but not addressing it. She asked where they felt information should be put for people seeking services in these areas. Mr. Howe stated that PATH is the formal resource and referral network in McLean County and there is access information on the Health Department website about PATH. Mr. Howe indicated they help fund PATH and would hate to duplicate another referral mechanism, but stated that they could focus on doing a better job of getting people in touch with PATH. Chairman Schafer suggested putting PATH link on the main page of the Health Department website. Ms. Wollrab stated that someone new to the community might not know what PATH is so would need to make sure that was made

clear. Mr. Howe stated he would follow up on those suggestions. Chairman Schafer asked about collaboration with the County. Ms. Beaver stated that collaboration with the County is a given because Health Department is a County Department. Ms. Schafer stated that as she wondered if we were creating a business that would compete with businesses in the community. Mr. Howe stated that they partner with businesses.

Mr. Wendt asked how the Health Department came to provide flu shots at State Farm. Mr. Howe stated that they made it known that the Health Department provides flu shots. Mr. Wendt stated that OSF previously provided shots at State Farm and felt that by taking it over, the Health Department was encroaching on a private enterprise. Mr. Howe stated that if he was going to get an immunization he would rather get it done at the Health Department than anywhere else, because they do a better job. Mr. Wendt asked him to clarify that he meant they did a better job than OSF. Mr. Howe said they do a better job than anyone. Mr. Gordon asked about the base line data we already have. Ms. Aune stated they have over 160 health indicators. She indicated that objective was to provide base line data to the community and then show progress over time and update regularly to the community. Mr. Gordon suggested some changes to the language to show that they already had baseline data and that they will provide year to year comparisons. Chairman Schafer asked the Committee if they had any further questions or comments, hearing none, she thanked them for the information.

Mr. Wasson presented the recent employment activities report. Ms. Wollrab asked him to clarify that Health Department positions would appear in that report if there were any. Chairman Schafer asked if there were any further questions for Mr. Wasson, hearing none, she thanked Mr. Wasson.

Chairman Schafer presented bills to be paid for the Developmental Disability Board totaling \$ 55,216.04 with a fund total of the same.

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**EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND**

**Health Committee - Dev. Disability Board**

<b>FUND</b>	<b>FUND TITLE</b>	<b>PENDING TOTAL</b>	<b>PREPAID TOTAL</b>	<b>FUND TOTAL</b>
0110	PERSONS/DEV.DISABILITY		\$55,216.04	\$55,216.04
			\$55,216.04	\$55,216.04

  
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Robustelli/Gordon to approve bills for the Developmental Disability Board as presented.  
Motion carried.

Chairman Schafer presented bills to be paid for Jail Medical and JDC Medical totaling \$59,425.15 with a fund total of the same.

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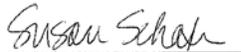
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**EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND**

**Health Committee - Jail Med & JDC Med**

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0135	TORT JUDGEMENT		\$59,425.15	\$59,425.15
			\$59,425.15	\$59,425.15

  
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Martin/Harris to approve bills to be paid for the Jail Medical and JDC Medical as presented.  
Motions carried.

Chairman Schafer presented bills to be paid for the Health Department with a prepaid and Fund Total of \$247,741.84 with a fund total of the same.

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**EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND**

**Health Committee - Board of Health**

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0102	DENTAL SEALANT GRANT		\$29,214.06	\$29,214.06
0103	HEALTH DEPT. - WIC		\$7,113.03	\$7,113.03
0105	PREVENTIVE HEALTH PROGRAM		\$2,432.02	\$2,432.02
0106	FAMILY CASE MANAGEMENT		\$22,590.90	\$22,590.90
0107	AIDS/COMM.DISEASE CONTROL		\$7,046.00	\$7,046.00
0112	HEALTH DEPARTMENT		\$179,345.83	\$179,345.83
			\$247,741.84	\$247,741.84

  
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Harris/Robustelli to approve bills for the Health Department as presented.  
Motions carried.

Chairman Schafer presented bills to be paid for the Nursing Home totaling \$204,020.36 with a fund total of the same.

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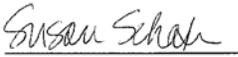
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**EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND**

**Health Committee - Nursing Home**

<b>FUND</b>	<b>FUND TITLE</b>	<b>PENDING TOTAL</b>	<b>PREPAID TOTAL</b>	<b>FUND TOTAL</b>
0401	NURSING HOME		\$204,020.36	\$204,020.36
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			\$204,020.36	\$204,020.36

  
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

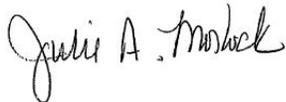
Motion by Wollrab/Martin to approve bills for the Nursing Home as presented.

Motion carried.

Chairman Shafer asked if there were any further questions or comments; hearing nothing, she adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie A. Morlock  
Recording Secretary