

Approved October 27, 2017

**Kentucky Health Departments Association  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Franklin County Public Health Center  
September 19, 2017**

**Members Present:**

Allison Adams, Buffalo Trace  
Kayla Bebout, Christian County  
Drew Beckett, Bourbon County  
Sara Jo Best, Lincoln Trail  
Noel Coplen, Graves County  
Shawn Crabtree, Lake Cumberland  
District  
Nancy Crewe, Madison County  
Chris Crum, Greenup County  
Randy Gooch, Jessamine County  
Maria Hardy, Ashland-Boyd County  
Jen Harris, Todd County  
Dr. Georgia Heise, Three Rivers District  
Mark Hensley, Laurel County  
Marcia Hodge, Garrard County  
Dr. Kraig Humbaugh, Lexington-Fayette  
County  
Scott Lockard, Clark County  
Judy Mattingly, Franklin County  
Gigi Meredith, Grayson County  
Dr. Crystal Miller, Wedco District  
Debbie Miller, Lawrence County  
Dr. Sarah Moyer, Louisville Metro  
Cassie Prather, Woodford County  
Andrea Renfrow, Bullitt County  
Mindy Renfrow, Grayson County  
Matt Rhodes, Louisville Metro  
Roanya Rice, North Central District  
Scott Shrewsbury, Breckinridge County  
Thursa Sloan, Floyd County

**Staff Present:**

Steve Bing, Executive Director  
Jill LeMaster, Office Manager

**Others Present:**

Cara Kay, LFCHD  
Melissa Royce, CDP  
Marcie Flechler, BCHD  
Tammie Bertram, FCHD  
Mark Pyle, DPH  
Other DPH staff

**Members Present via GoToWebinar:**

Jeff Barker, Carter County  
Denise Beach, Hopkins County  
Anita Bertram, Lewis County  
Brent Blevins, Boyle County  
Julie Bush, Johnson County  
Dennis Chaney, Barren River District  
Tony Cox, Bracken County  
Bobbie Crider, Harlan County  
Amy Ferguson, Calloway County  
Jill Ford, Monroe County  
Teresa Gamsky, Oldham County  
Laura Hawes-Hammons, Marshall  
County  
Charles Hiter, Pennyriple District  
Kent Koster, Purchase District  
Diane Miller, Lincoln County  
Rebecca Rains, Knox County  
Dr. Lynne Saddler, Northern Kentucky  
Independent District  
Martha Steele, Whitley County

**Others Present via GoToWebinar:**

Leah Jasper, LCDHD  
Clay Carroll

**Call to Order:**

President Allison Adams called the meeting to order at 9:02 A.M. EDT. She recognized and welcomed Mindy Renfrow, the new health department director at Grayson County.

Dr. Sarah Moyer was also recognized as the new health department director of Louisville Metro.

**Minutes:**

The minutes from the July 18, 2017 meeting were presented. Mark Hensley made a motion to approve the minutes. Drew Beckett seconded, and the motion carried.

**Executive Committee Report:**

Maria Hardy shared the top four things from the executive committee meeting:

- 1) KHDA Legislative Committee is losing Scott Lockard as its Chair. Dennis Chaney has put together a book on LHDs for use when talking with legislators.
- 2) Electronic Health Records (EHR) – Need Input
- 3) Membership – All but four have renewed membership
- 4) KHDA Conference – October 25-27 – Please Register!

**Finance Report:**

In the absence of Jan Chamness, Jill LeMaster presented the financial reports for KHDA and the Joint Administrative accounts. The Joint Administrative account has total current assets of \$94,014.22, and a net income as of August 31 of \$33,186.24. The KHDA account has total current assets of \$58,119.80, with a net income as of August 31 of \$33,824.41. Shawn Crabtree made a motion to accept the report. Crystal Miller seconded, and the motion passed.

**Legislative/Advocacy Report:**

Scott Lockard announced his resignation as Chair. Jen Harris has agreed to take over as Chair. Scott reported:

- Pension issues are still in the forefront.
- Should be a special session

Some discussion followed on the LHD pay structure as well.

Allison Adams shared a Talking Points paper written by Matt Rhodes on a cigarette tax. Georgia Heise made a motion to adopt the talking points. Sara Jo Best seconded, and the motion was adopted.

KHDA has joined the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky as a partner on smoke-free coalition.

**Red Tape Reduction:**

Drew Beckett gave an update and said they are still active. He gave a synopsis of the timeline of what has happened with DPH, beginning April 27. They are meeting today with Gary Faulkner and Mark Pyle to see why things aren't moving along as they should be. As requested, Drew will send out the final recommendations again.

**KHDA Mentoring Program:**

Randy Gooch shared that the program is progressing. Learning objectives have been detailed. Monthly meetings will be required between mentor and mentee, with at least four in person. A profile survey will be sent soon.

**President's Report:**

The president's report was tabled until the end of the meeting.

**Practice and Experiential Education Lab (PEEL):**

Dr. Angela Carman, UK College of Public Health, Associate Dean for Practice & Workforce Development, stated that she will be speaking also at the KHDA conference. She shared what PEEL is all about and how it will be used. She asked the following:

- Is there a continuing need for this assistance?
- Is it of value?
- Can it be sustained?
- What is the future for it?

Please let her know what you need.

**Options Purchasing Program:**

Gary Franklin, KHDA Liaison Advocate, gave an update:

- Phase Two is currently underway. The challenges are;
  - Communications
  - Breadth of Products offered
  - Consistent Competitive Pricing.
- Gary's email is: [OptionsPurchasingProgram@gmail.com](mailto:OptionsPurchasingProgram@gmail.com).

**DPH Updates:**

**Rick Johnson – DPH Preparedness Branch**

Kentucky sent a nurse strike team to Florida to a medical needs shelter as a result of Hurricane Irma. A second team is also about to go.

**Jody Jagers – KY Pharmacists Association**

He is in charge of the KY mobile pharmacy. He shared where they have been and several statistics for Narcan distribution. He has also sent out a media package. Your point of contact is Linwood Strenecky at 503-564-7243, ext 4029, or [linwood.strenecky@ky.gov](mailto:linwood.strenecky@ky.gov).

**Teresa Rinn – Manager of Diabetes Program**

She shared a new annual report on KY Diabetes Prevention and Control Program. The Diabetes Symposium is in Louisville on November 3.

**Mark Pyle - Deputy Secretary:**

- Acknowledged retirements of and thanked:
  - Scott Lockard
  - Gigi Meredith

- Thanked ECW pilot sites for their patience for what has been a logistical nightmare. DPH plans to take its time in selecting a new EHR product. The first step is to appoint a committee to study what LHDs want in and EHR (if an EHR is wanted) – what direction – KHDA and LHDs define what is wanted before the RFP process. Once that process is started, we will have 30 days to give input.
- Shared retirement increase issues – funding difference – funding priority #1 is the \$72 million for retirement.
- 20% cut to general fund budget for FY 18 will be absorbed by the department primarily.

He addressed several questions.

**President's Report and Announcements:**

Allison Adams shared the following:

- Allison has a meeting with Anthony Holt regarding the Jared Lorenzen Project . More information to come later - may use as publicity for weight loss and healthy eating at LHDs.
- Allison presented the FQHC's project to Dr. Polk.
- On October 8, Chris Crum and the Green County Health Department will be on KET's Health KY at 11:30 am.
- Register for the KHDA Conference!

**Adjournment:**

Scott Lockard made a motion to adjourn with some parting words. Gig Meredith seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 12:24 pm EDT.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Chris Crum, KHDA Secretary

(Recorded and transcribed by Jill LeMaster, Office Manager)