

Health Committee Meeting Minutes 2/8/2008

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Robert Regan at 12:10 p.m.

Present: Robert Regan, Mike Wolkomir (on Conference Call), Tom Mueller, John Jenkins, and Linda Pittz.

Others Present: June Meudt, Ruth Schriefer, Carol Roth, Jenny Ullsvik and Randy Terronez.

Motion for certification of open meeting by Tom/John. Carried.

Motion to approve January minutes and February agenda by Tom/Linda. Carried.

A long discussion on the Tobacco Resolution took place. This policy is good for staff and community and promotes clean air. Changes requested included a \$50 fine, implementing the policy as of July 1, 2008, allow current residents at Bloomfield smoking outside but new residents will need to realize it is a non-smoking facility including all property. Motion to accept the resolution as rewritten with June checking with Corporate Counsel regarding wording “resolution or ordinance and adding a “where as” for smokeless tobacco by Tom/Linda. Carried. June also stressed the need to be proactive and start doing community education regarding this policy as soon as it is passed by the whole board.

Carol Roth discussed her counseling company, showed evidence of what she does in regards to needs assessments and answered questions from the committee. The committee wants to be sure that action will take place after the assessment is done. June stated that the Health Department’s role will be to do necessary action plans. Motion to hire Starfish Counseling for the Community Needs Assessment that will be readable, assessable, useable and sharable and having direction from a community committee. Approved by Tom/Linda. Carried.

Motion by Tom/John to recommend to the whole board the appointments of Linda Pittz, Mike Wolkomir and Steve Lanenberg to the Health Committee for the term 2008 – 2010. Carried.

Updates:

- SWCAP and the county health department directors are involved with working to increase dental services utilizing dental hygienists. This will first start in Grant County and eventually go into the other counties.
- Randy Terronez discussed the new committee structure. Health will be with Human Services. However, the Health Committee is a “statutory committee” and will continue. This committee is important for the policy development and has citizen input.

Personnel:

June Meudt will be taking vacation May 2 – 26, 2008. Ann Thompson will be in charge of the health department.

Meetings: Please sign up for the February 27th meeting.

Next meeting is March or April – to be decided.

Motion to adjourn by Tom/Linda. Carried.

Recorder: J. Meudt