

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTIES OF POTTER AND RANDALL

CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 21st day of October, 2014 the Amarillo Bi-City-County Public Health district Board met for a quarterly board meeting in the City of Amarillo, Department of Public Health conference room located at 1000 Martin Rd., Amarillo, Texas, with the following members present:

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD	NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED
Kenneth Crossland, DDS Chair, City of Canyon	Y	197	173
J. Taylor Carlisle, MD Potter County	y	92	31
Delores Thompson Potter County	Y	21	14
Judy Smith Randall County	N	70	55
Lanita Tidmore Randall County	Y	32	31
Belinda Gonzales Taylor City of Amarillo	Y	34	25
Kevin Hawkins, Vice Chair City of Amarillo	Y	46	43

Administrative Officers Present:

Casie Stoughton Director, Public Health, City of Amarillo
David Chamberlain Nutritionist III, WIC, City of Amarillo
Amber Sable Recording Secretary, Public Health, City of Amarillo

Guests Present:

Janet Crossland

Item 1: Call to Order and Welcome

Chairman Dr. Crossland opened the meeting at 7:00pm, established a quorum, and conducted the consideration of the following items in the order presented.

Item 2: Introduction of Guests/New Members

Dr. Crossland - Introduction of Members and Guests. Janet Crossland was in attendance.

Item 3: Minutes

Lanita Tidmore placed a motion on the floor to approve the July 8, 2014 minutes. Kevin Hawkins seconded the motion and all board members unanimously agreed as written.

Item 4: Consider the revision of the April 8, 2014 minutes

Delores Thompson placed a motion on the floor to approve the revision of the April 8, 2014 minutes. Lanita Tidmore seconded the motion and all board members unanimously agreed to the motion.

Item 5: Discuss and Consider electronic distribution of agenda packet

Motion was placed by Lanita Tidmore and seconded by Belinda Taylor to start receiving the agenda packet through electronic distribution. All board members voted unanimously in favor of the motion and future agenda packets will be distributed electronically through a secure email.

Item 6: Presentation and Discussion of Communicable Diseases

Dr. Smalligan began his topic of discussion with the flu report. Dr. Smalligan stated that Dr. Bell, head of the WT Influenza Center, is seeing signs of an early peak for the coming flu season. Dr. Smalligan strongly recommends getting vaccinated as early as possible. So far in positive flu reports, health care professionals are seeing both strands of A and B results.

Janet Crossland approached Dr. Smalligan with a health concern for seniors age 65 and over, if they should receive the double dose of vaccine as suggested. Dr. Smalligan agrees that seniors age 65 and over should receive the recommended double dose of the flu vaccine. There are no new side effects reported as of this date. Dr. Smalligan stated that there are strategic plans in place with the school administration, hospitals, police, fire, and EOS on possible Ebola cases. There is an Ebola phone line that is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for responders to call. BERT is the City of Amarillo's task force set in place for possible cases of Ebola. No cases of Ebola have been reported in Amarillo. There have been no reported cases of the Entrovirus in Amarillo.

Item 8: Administrative Reports given by Departments

Animal Management and Welfare

No representative was present from Animal Management and Welfare meeting. Scott McDonald provided a report for members of the board. This report was accepted by all members.

Environmental Health

No representative was present from Environmental Health. Cora Bethel provided a report for members of the board. This report was accepted by all members.

Public Health

Casie Stoughton, Director of Public Health, presented several projects Public Health has underway. These include the 1115 Medicaid Transformation waiver, MEND, and the new mobile clinic. Clinics to date with the new mobile clinic have been at Hablando, Home Depot, Latino AIDS Awareness walk, women's shelters, and low income apartment complexes. The Department of Public Health has had site visits from DSHS for HIV and Immunization departments. These visits had no findings. Public Health are working with the Texas Revenue Generation Learning Collaborative to establish future billing procedures.

WIC

David Chamberlain presented the WIC report. Margaret Payton, Director of WIC, visited with the new State Director of WIC, in Austin, Texas. The WIC office is undergoing remodeling/construction for new file machines.

Item 8: Public Forum

There were no comments from interested citizens on matters directly pertaining to policies, programs or services of the Amarillo Bi-City-County Health District.

Item 9: Discuss Items for Future Agendas

Dr. Crossland asked if there were any new items that needed to be placed on the agenda. Belinda Taylor asked if departmental budget information could be shared at a later meeting. This would allow the BOH to be more involved in the budget's process.

Item 10: Adjournment

Dr. Crossland set the next meeting for January 13, 2015 at 7:00 PM. The location will be at the Public Health Department, located at 1000 Martin Road. With there being no further business to come before the board, Dr. Crossland adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m. Due to scheduling issues the meeting has been rescheduled to January 20, 2015 at 7:00 PM.



Dr. Kenneth Crossland, Chair



Amber Sable, Recording Secretary