

KYEHA Board Meeting Minutes

For

Board Meeting

At

Lincoln Trail District Health Department in Elizabethtown, KY

May 9, 2019

This meeting was called to order by Gene Thomas at 10:00 Eastern time.

Roll call was taken via sign in sheet.

Minutes from the February Board meeting were reviewed and no other corrections were made.

A motion was made by Charlie Ward to accept the minutes as reported.

The second was made by Justin Pittman.

Motion passed by oral majority vote.

President: Gene Thomas- reported

1. NEHA – Gene will be attending NEHA in Nashville
2. IEHA – Gene will not be attending. If no one else wishes to attend Laura Strevels will in his place. IEHA will be held at ECU July 24-26, 2019

President Elect: Charlie Ward -reported

1. Attended ECU Environmental symposium
2. Coordinating with local watershed director for federal cost share program to increase watershed and stream conditions.

Vice-President: Clint Pinion- reported

1. ECU has 6 undergraduate and 14 graduate students completing coursework and graduating on May 10, 2019
2. ECU will host the Interstate Environmental Health Conference (July 24-26, 2019) in Richmond, KY.
 - a. ECU is now accepting speakers
 - b. Interstate registration form is live @www.ehsky.org
3. Thomas Gerding, MPH Candidate at ECU, won the AEHAP SRC Competition and will present a poster and oral presentation at NEHA in July
4. Kate Walters, Undergraduate Candidate at ECU, won the NSF International Scholar and will present a poster and oral presentation at NEHA in July.

Treasurer: Laura Strevels -reported

1. Reviewed the most current financial report July 2018 – April 2019 - attached
2. Ms. Strevels presented the annual educational conference recap - attached

Secretary: Laura Strevels reported for Sue Jewell -

1. Roll-Proxies- The roll call (sign -in sheet) indicated eighteen (17) persons present.
2. Minutes for the Board meeting were sent out to Board members.

Membership– Chair- Erica Brakefield reported for Leanna Cavin -

- a. A few members have rejoined after the annual conference.
 - i. Active 171, Life 115, and students 18
- b. Attended 2019 KYEHA AEC:
 - i. Active 169, Life 10, and students 18
- c. Life member nominations need to be submitted prior to the November meeting.
 - i. Life membership recommendations are submitted prior to the meeting to be validated and voted on at that meeting.

Motion to accept Officers reports was made by Jay Fillman.

The second was made by –Joel Barrett

Motion passed by majority via oral vote.

Directors Reports-

Region 1 –

Jay Fillman -reported

1. Daviess County hired a new environmentalist, Taylor Fasig, ECU graduate
2. Festival activities beginning
 - a. Tri Fest in Henderson 40 food booths
 - b. Bar-B-Q Fest in Owensboro 60 food booths
 - i. 6 church cooking competition for grand champion
 - ii. Joey Chestnut won competitive eating contest last year by consuming 81 4 ounce mutton sandwiches in 10 minutes which means 20.25 lbs
3. Green River District has begun a needle exchange program and have been considered successful

Joel Barrett –reported

1. Marshall County had Tater Day with 40,000 people in attendance
2. McCracken County held Quilt show with 8,000-12,000 in attendance
3. Regional food training in Paducah attended by Graves, Calloway, Christian, and McCracken counties.

Region 2-

Jessica Davenport- reported

1. New environmentalist Butler County – Jenny Stoval
2. Tom Buchanan is retiring
3. New director for Barren River District Health Department
4. Please review emails from Erica concerning changes in Rabies and MHP regulations
 - a. For Rabies have until May 20th to request hearing
 - b. May 28th hearing date if requested
 - c. May 31 for written comments
5. Core I and II had 9 people attend – 8 new people and 1 refresher

Region 3-

Kathy Fowler –reported

1. Todd Lafollett is retiring in September 2019.
2. David Cammack is retiring from North Central District Health Department
3. Our Region had 6 people attend the new food code training.
4. Kathy attended PCO training in Bowling Green
5. Oldham County continues to grow.

Scott Nethery- Not present

Region 4-

Vonia Grabeel--no report

Region 5-

Nathan Powell -reported

1. Lexington – rabies clinic cancelled and moved to May 14th
2. Hep A vaccines now offered for \$60 through LYC health department
3. Continuing to move toward being paperless. 80% of inspectors using tablets.

Annhall Norris (Kathy Fowler gave her report) - reported

1. J Smith is now the Director of the Garrard County Health Department.
2. Mercer County has a new environmentalist – Taylor Readnowar.
3. Boyle County has had a surge in new homes being built. They have had quite an increase in onsite inspections.
4. Food Safety Branch is without a Food Manufacturing Supervisor. Karen Sloat left in February to work with industry. The Food Safety Branch has requested personnel to post the vacancy but no work as to when that position will be posted.

Erica Brakefield - reported

1. Core trainings being rescheduled waiting for confirmation on rooms, then will send out dates. 1st week of October and last week of October.
2. PHPS is going to offer free CPO certification to all LHD's. Will most likely be in Christian County and one county in Eastern KY to be determined prior to June 30th.
3. Please review regulations being sent out. MHP and rabies out for public comment. Hotels and confinement getting ready to go out for public comment.
4. Vectors – EPI funding is drying up. Becky is looking into other funding sources wanting to continue program.

Kenny Cole – not present

Region 6-

Brittany Wells – reported

1. The Northern Kentucky Independent Health District held installer class with 40 attendees
2. NKHD began larviciding based on complaints and will begin trapping the first week of July in all four counties using both light and gravid traps.

Region 7-

Jackie Cole-not present

Industry at Large

Jeff Lanter –reported

1. FAST- “Foods at Safe Temps” Kroger is now working on “warm” – hot holding temperature tags. They hope to roll this out in stores later this year or early next year.
2. USDA has taken several ground beef samples from 5-6 stores in the Lexington & surrounding counties due o the E. Coli outbreak. We have heard nothing about results.
3. We are investigating possible Salmonella illness from cut melons produced by Caito Foods.

Carl Rust -reported

1. Ferrara USE, has agreed to purchase the following business; from Kellogg's: the cookies business, including Keebler, Mother's Famous Amos, Murray's and Murray's Sugar Free, as well as cookies manufactured for Girl Scouts of the USA. It also includes the fruit and fruit-flavored snack, pie crusts, and ice cream cones businesses. Ferrara USA is owned by Ferrero, Italy. This affects 2 KY plants, Florence and Louisville KY. We expect business as usual with all employees being retained and plants operating fully. The sale is expected to be finalized later this summer.
2. Shared war on water article via email, contact me as needed for more information.
3. River walk scheduled 8:30 am – noon Saturday 6/15/19. Thank you Justin for postinfng on the KYEHA website.

Motion to accept Directors Reports:

Motion- The motion was made by Jay Fillman to accept the committee reports as presented.

The second was made by Jessica Davenport

The motion was passed by majority oral vote

Parliamentarian-

Heath Stone – no report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Standing Committees-

Audit- Chair- Gene Thomas – no report

Awards-Chair –Clint Pinion – no report

Budget –(R) Gene Thomas/Charlie Ward – Budget committee met this morning and budget to present

Exhibits (A)– Don Jacobs – not present

Legislative (A) – Chair- Joel Barrett – reported

1. Governor vetoed pension plan. Currently no support for his plan in either house or senate. Awaiting special session to be called.

Nominations/ Elections (A) Chair- Clint Pinion – no report

Program(R)- Chair-Charlie Ward – reported

1. Preparedness Branch may want to supply some speakers for 2020 annual educational conference.

Publications (A)– Justin Pittman - Report

1. Spring 2019 newsletter was released last month – the topic was Ticks

Scholarship (A)– Chair –Brittany Wells -no report

Silent Auction (A)- Chair –Nathan Powell-reported

1. Mr. Powell would like new people to take a look at letter and help to build up silent auction donations.

AD HOC COMMITTEES REPORTING

Administrative and Procedures (A) vacant (Sue Jewell protem) – Changes made – emailed to those present @ annual meeting – no corrections or comments submitted.

Hotel Procurement – Charlie Ward, Jessica Davenport

1. Charlie Ward presented bids from nine hotels. Discussion held.

Interstate Environmental Health Seminar (A)- Vonja Grabeel, Erica Brakefield, Clint Pinion

Reported that North Carolina and West Virginia have supplied speakers for IEHA*****

Website Co-Ordinator – Justin Pittman – reported

1. The website revamp is almost done. It is still under construction and I am unable to do updates at this time; however, I expect by the next Board meeting I will be able to update conference information as well as other updates. It looks very different.

Laura Strevels made a motion to accept committee reports.

The second was made by Erica Brakefield

Motion passed by majority of oral vote.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Contract with Emergency Response Branch for concurrent training session at the annual educational conference.

Mr. Gene Thomas informed the Board he does not yet have a signed contract for the third tract proposed by Ms. Becky Gillis at the February meeting.

Discussion pertaining to clarifying who is the program committee representative, the timeline of events since February, several persons referenced as the Preparedness Branch representative for the contract and program, revision of contract by Mr. Learn (reversed responsibility of all agreed upon conditions except payment for a meeting room), notice given by Mr. Thomas the revised contract not acceptable, notice given by Mr. Thomas to Ms. Gillis for signed contract deadline (August 7, 2018), no written or verbal response from Ms. Gillis, requirements of contract cancellation by the venue (to avoid penalty or charges to KYEHA).

Charlie Ward made a motion stating: Due to the absence of a signed contract with KDPH or any representative after six months requesting a third educational track KYEHA will withdraw support, cancel meeting room reservations, and not offer a third educational track at the 2019 annual educational conference.

A second to the motion was made by Laura Strevels.

Three abstentions from all discussions and voting were: Leana Cavin, Erica Brakefield, and Jessica Davenport.

Note according to KYEHA constitution and bylaws the President does not have a vote unless to break an individual recorded tie vote.

There was no additional discussion.

Motion passed by majority oral vote.

2. Ad Hoc Committee to review eligibility for participating in elections.

This committee will work under the Constitution and Bylaws standing committee.

The committee is comprised of Vonja Grabeel, Clint Pinion, and Jackie Cole

Nothing new to report yet.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mr. Thomas will contact the Marriott in Lexington to establish the November meeting date.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOTION-Motion made to adjourn this Board meeting by Erica Brakefield

A second for the motion was made by Justin Pittman.

The motion passed via a majority via oral vote.

Respectfully submitted by _____ date _____

Sue Jewell, Secretary

Accepted by _____ date _____

Jessica Davenport