



BOARD OF HEALTH

Minutes of March 3, 2008

1) **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chairman Oberquell called the meeting to order.

Attendance: Chairman Oberquell, Commissioners Macleod and Wolfe, Department Director Sherri McDonald, and Clerk of the Board Lydia Hodgkinson.

- a) **Approval of Agenda** –Commissioner Macleod moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- b) **Approval of Minutes** – Commissioner Macleod moved to approve the Minutes of the January 7, 2008 Public Hearing and February 4, 2008 as submitted. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2) **UPDATE ON CITIZEN ISSUES** - none

3) **OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD** - none

4) **CONSENT ITEMS**

- a) **Resolution H-3-2008 Appointing Alternate 2008 Thurston County Local Health Officers** - Move to approve Resolution H-3-2008 appointing Alan Melnick, MD, MPH, Rachel Wood, MD, MPH, James Edstam, MD, MPH, John Bausher, MD and Steve Standaert MD, MPH as alternate Thurston County Health Officers for 2008.

Commissioner Macleod moved to approve consent agenda item “a”. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5) **DANIEL GLENN APPEAL OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER’S DECISION CONTINUED**

Commissioner Macleod moved to continue the Daniel Glenn appeal to March 31, 2008 from 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion carried. The appeal is to be held at the Thurston County Courthouse, Building One, Room 280. Commissioner Oberquell stated for the record that the continuance is due to illness.

6) DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Sherri McDonald presented a Thank you card from a family of a TB Program client and provided a brief background.

Ms. McDonald noted the joint Board of Health meeting with Mason County has been rescheduled from April 7th to May 5, 2008 at a regularly scheduled meeting. Agenda topics of common area issues around Puget Sound are being discussed. The Board suggested releasing a News Release to inform the public of the meeting and its topics.

7) HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

Dr. Diana Yu discussed the Youth Suicide Prevention Task Force, which deals with the child death review process. The Task Force started last year and is headed by Maddy de Give. Dr. Yu invited the Board members to attend their next meeting in May and also asked if a Board member would be interested in participating on the Task Force. She stated the importance of bringing youth suicide prevention awareness to the community and addressed questions from the Board. Dr. Yu will work with the Task Force to present periodic updates to the Board.

Dr. Yu informed the Board there will be a conference at St. Martin's on March 8th where speakers will be discussing the controversial issue of mercury in vaccine and its possible connection to autism. Dr. Yu noted she had spoken to a reporter recently regarding this issue and her opinions.

Dr. Yu stated that influenza has arrived in Thurston County. She discussed with the Board the recent flu and MRSA pneumonia related deaths.

8) ADJOURNMENT

BOARD OF HEALTH
Thurston County, Washington

ATTEST:

DIANE OBERQUELL, Chairman

Lydia Hodgkinson, Clerk of the Board

ROBERT N. MACLEOD, Member

Date: _____

CATHY WOLFE, Member