

EL PASO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

April 24, 2024

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

The El Paso County Board of Health met at the Citizens Service Center at 1675 W. Garden of the Gods Road, Colorado Springs, Colorado, on April 24, 2024. Seven Board of Health members were present.

Ted Collas, President, called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

Board of Health Member Roll Call:

Present:

Ted Collas, President
Doris Ralston, Vice President
Commissioner Cami Bremer
Councilmember Dave Donelson
Commissioner Longinos Gonzalez, Jr
Mayor Glant Havenar
Dr. Richard Vu

Absent:

Dr. Debora Chan
General Jack Briggs

Directors and Officers Present:

Susan Wheelan, Public Health Executive Director
DeAnn Ryberg, Public Health Deputy Director
Dr. Bernadette Albanese, Co-Medical Director
Carolyn Gery, Development Officer
Dacia Hudson, Community Health Promotion Division Director
Leigh Perry, Business Operations Director
Michelle Beyrle, Public Health Information Officer
Pamela Preston, Deputy Public Health Information Officer
Summer South, Clinical Services Division Director

El Paso County Public Health staff present at Regular Session:

Diana Albor	Jamie Morris	Jennifer Mussaw	Kristi Durbin	Lara Stern
Lori Cleaton	Paula Hergert	Sara Kinney	Susan Garrett	

Members of the public present at Regular Session:

Angela Hamilton	Branden Williams	Diane Loschon	Jan Isaacs-Henry
Janette Graham	Dr. Jennifer Schulte		

Approval of Agenda

President Ted Collas entertained a motion to approve the agenda for the April 24, 2024 Board of Health Meeting.

MOVED: by Vice President Doris Ralston, seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to approve the agenda for the April 24, 2024 Board of Health meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Board of Health Comments

1. Vice President Ralston commented on HB24-1028: Overdose Prevention Centers. It should be noted this bill has failed to move forward in the legislature.
2. President Collas acknowledged National Public Health Week and thanked El Paso County Public Health staff for all they do.

Approval of Minutes

President Ted Collas entertained a motion to approve the March 27, 2024 Board of Health Meeting minutes.

MOVED: by Vice President Doris Ralston, seconded by Commissioner Bremer to ratify the minutes from the March 27, 2024 Board of Health meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Public Comment on Items not Scheduled on the Agenda

No comments presented.

Proclamations

Commissioner Bremer read the Proclamation Recognizing the 30th year of Kidpower.

MOVED: by Commissioner Bremer seconded by Councilmember Donelson to approve the Proclamation Recognizing the 30th year of Kidpower.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Summer South, Clinical Services Division Director, read the Proclamation Recognizing National Nurses Week 2024.

MOVED: by Dr. Vu seconded by Mayor Havenar to approve the Proclamation Recognizing National Nurses week 2024.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Finance and Budget

Sara Kinney, Budget Supervisor, presented the first quarter financial summary.

Director's Report

- 1) Jennifer Mussaw, Maternal and Child Health Program Manager, Paula Hergert, Policy and Prevention Specialist, Lara Stern, Maternal and Child Health Lead, Diana Albor, Policy and Prevention Specialist, and Jennifer L. Schulte, Ph.D., Student Engagement Facilitator, District 11, presented on the Maternal and Child Health Program.
- 2) Dr. Bernadette Albanese, Co-Medical Director, presented on Avian Flu and HB24-1456: Increase Syphilis Testing During Pregnancy.

Adjournment

Vice President Doris Ralston entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

MOVED: by Mayor Havenar seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to adjourn the April 24, 2024 Board of Health meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Adjournment at 10:17 am.

Next Board of Health meeting

The next Board of Health meeting will be:

Wednesday, May 22 2024

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

at The Citizens Service Center

1675 W. Garden of the Gods Rd. in Colorado Springs.

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