JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Wednesday, December 10, 2014 - 5:00 p.m.
5th Floor Board Room

PRESENT:  Katisa Vance, M.D., Steven Kulback, M.D., Jennifer R. Dollar, M.D., Nicole Redmond, M.D., Ph.D., MPH, Max Michael, III, M.D. and Commissioner Jimmie Stephens

OTHERS  Mark Wilson, M.D., Kirsten Bryant, Kim Cason, Carolyn Dobbs, M.D.,
PRESENT:  Heather Hogue, PharmD, Rodney Holmes, Judy Madison, Bryn Manzella, David Maxey, Esq., Jonathan Stanton, and Denisa Pridmore

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Dr. Kulback, Chair.

Minutes
Minutes of the November 12, 2014 meeting were approved as distributed.

Financial Statement

A motion to accept the financial report was made, seconded and approved.

Contracts
On the motion of Dr. Dollar, and seconded by Dr. Redmond, the following contracts were approved:

    Renewal of a contract with Vulcan Park and Museum (payee) for the Employee Appreciation Luncheon venue on December 5, 2014 at a rate not to exceed $300.

    A new contract with Human Resources Management, Inc. (payee) to provide professional development consultation and leadership management plan development for personnel in the Air and Radiation Division at a rate not to exceed $9,500 from October 31, 2014 through January 30, 2015.

    Renewal of a contract with The Alabama Environmental Council for administration of the ADEM 2014 Recycling Grant at a rate not to exceed $79,560 from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.

Appointment of Rabies Officer
On the motion of Dr. Vance, and seconded by Dr. Michael, the following resolution was approved:
WHEREAS, Thomas P. Dawkins, D.V.M. has confirmed that he is desirous of being appointed the Rabies Officer for Jefferson County for the year 2015 as evidenced by his letter dated November 17, 2014.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Thomas P. Dawkins, D.V.M. be appointed as the Rabies Officer for Jefferson County for the year 2015.

**Election of 2015 Officers**
Dr. Dollar was elected as Chair of the Board. Dr. Redmond was named to serve on the General Liability Claims & Investment Committee, and Dr. Michael on the Grants & Policy Committee. The new Board of Health member will serve as Secretary.

The Board unanimously approved the election of the officers for 2015.

**Board of Health Self-Evaluation**
Bryn Manzella, M.P.H., Director of Quality Improvement, asked the Board members to complete the Self-Evaluation forms in their Board package and to return them to her by the January Board meeting.

Dr. Wilson noted that one item on the evaluation relates to the Board’s regular assessment of the Health Officer’s performance. He will be sending a follow-up email to the Board to see how they would like to provide feedback to him for this area.

**Health Officer Report**

**Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB)**
Dr. Wilson announced that JCDH submitted its documentation to PHAB on the November 21, 2014 deadline.

**JCDH Strategic Plan**
Dr. Wilson noted the JCDH 2012-2016 Strategic Plan’s annual review was completed last month. A copy has been sent to the Board.

**New Western Health Center (WHC)**
Dr. Wilson reported the opening date for the new WHC is still planned for February 2, 2015. Official announcements for the ribbon-cutting ceremony will be made after the Certificate of Occupancy is received.

We are exploring options for new owners for the clinic buildings being vacated in Ensley and West End and will bring recommendations to the Board of Health. Bessemer Health Center was previously deeded to the Alabama Department of Public Health.

**Health Action Partnership**
Dr. Wilson announced that a special meeting of the Health Action Partnership (HAP) was held last week to reorganize around our new “Community Matters 20/20” Community Health Improvement Plan. The existing four Priority Groups (Healthy Children/Youth, Healthy Food Choices, Tobacco-free Living, and Livable Communities) are being reorganized into:
• Healthy Lifestyles and
• Built Environment, and we will add
• Health Equity
• Health Care Access
• Mental Health

The annual HAP meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2014 for a review of the year’s accomplishments and to further develop the priority groups. One important change for the HAP that resulted from the United Way’s Bold Goals Initiatives and feedback from community groups, is the addition of a new community engagement group. An individual may be a part of the HAP without being part of an organization. Details for the group are still being worked out.

Dr. Redmond asked if the new WHC would have a Community Advisory Board. Dr. Wilson said JCDH will look into this.

JCDH will be working with United Way of Central Alabama (UWCA) to transition the HAP’s lead organization role over to them for the next two years. Drew Langloh, CEO of UWCA, will be the new Chair of the HAP.

Heroin Epidemic
Dr. Wilson stated he continues to work on the Heroin epidemic with partners. A House representative has agreed to sponsor a bill in this legislative session to increase naloxone availability and provide limited immunity to 911 callers in overdose situations.

On Thursday, December 11, 2014, JCDH is hosting a small task force to look at Medical Community Engagement around strategies to prevent opioid addiction and diversion. The group includes former Board of Health member, Dr. Cleveland Kinney, who is the 2015 President of the Jefferson County Medical Society, and Dr. Darlene Trafffanstedt, with the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners.

Disease Control

Ebola
Dr. Wilson reported there continues to be some low-level ongoing Ebola preparedness. JCDH is not currently monitoring any travelers from affected countries.

Influenza Season
Dr. Wilson stated it is anticipated that this flu season may be more severe than most.

Shigella
Dr. Wilson noted JCDH continues to investigate Shigella cases.

Recognition of Dr. Katisa Vance
Dr. Wilson expressed his appreciation to Dr. Katisa Vance, outgoing Board member, for serving on the Board of Health for the past five years. Dr. Vance thanked everyone for the opportunity of being on the Board.
The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the Fifth Floor Board Room. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Max Michael, III, M.D., Secretary

Approved:

Steven J. Kulback, M.D., Chair