Warren County Health Department

Board of Health

January 18, 2022

The Warren County Board of Health held its meeting on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at the Health Department.

Members present: Chairman Dr Elton Brown and Vice Chairman Dr. James Crenshaw

The Board Chair requested roll call for members that are on the conference call. Conference call attendees are Commissioner Baker, Ms. Linda Baker, Mrs. Eva Brown, Ms. Cheryl Coffman, Dr. Dieckmann and Mrs. Candice White.

Others present: Dr. Margaret Brake and Tanisha Lyons

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Margaret Brake Health Director and a moment of silence was observed.

Dr. Crenshaw moved to waive the Conflict of Interest Statement and seconded by Cheryl Coffman. There being no further discussion the motion unanimously passed.

There was no public comment.

Ms. Cheryl Coffman moved to keep Dr. Elton Brown, Board Chair and Dr. James Crenshaw, Vice Chairman. There were no other nominations. The motion closed with the said names and passed unanimously.

Following the elections Dr. Brake turned meeting over to Dr. Brown, Chairman.

The November 2021 minutes were reviewed. Mrs. Candice White moved to accept the minutes as read and seconded by Dr. Dieckmann. There being no further discussion the motion unanimously passed.

Dr. Brake presented the Financial Report. The Master Revenue was based on November reporting and currently we are at 42%. The new health plans are causing some issues for finance because some agencies share the same tax ID number. Departments have to look at statements to make sure they are getting their correct revenues. We have collected some Medicaid cost share monies. Hopefully by next meeting their will be more information concerning prepaid Health plans. Ms. Coffman moved to accept the Financial Report and seconded by Ms. L Baker. There being no further discussion the motion unanimously passed.

Dr. Brake presented the Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program Fee Schedule for review and approval. This is the state fee schedule for the upcoming year. Ms. L. Baker moved to accept the BCCCP Fee Schedule and seconded by Mrs. Brown. There being no further discussion the motion unanimously passed.

Ms. Loyd has resigned from the nurse position on the Board of Health. The Board accepted the resignation. Ms. Coffman asked if the nurse has to have a valid license or can they be retired? Dr. Brake responded that she will check with the School of Government for clarification. If someone is interested in applying they will have to complete a Statement of Interest.

Dr. Brake has not made any changes in Job Description. Mrs. E. Brown moved to approve the Health Directors Job Description and seconded by Ms. L. Baker. There being no further discussion the motion unanimously passed.

There was discussion about the need to adopt additional rules. Dr. Brake mentioned that the former County Attorney was reviewing the smoking control rule. Ms. Coffman moved that there is no need to adopt additional rules and seconded by Mrs. C. White. There being no further discussion the motion unanimously passed.

Health Director's Report 01/18/22

Staff Updates

Brittley Harris was hired in the Public Health Educator II position starting today. We have received applications for Public Health Educator I and WIC Processing Assistant IV position. We currently have vacancies in PH Nursing and EH Specialist.

COVID-19 Case Counts

COVID-19 daily report for Warren County as of 4:10 pm on 1/18/2022:

- 401 Active Cases
- 2,698 Recovered Cases
- 36 Deaths
- 3,135 Total Cases

Here is the COVID-19 daily report for Warren County as of 4:00 pm on 11/16/2021:

- .13 Active Cases
- 2,431 Recovered Cases
- 33 Deaths
- 2,477 Total Cases

Here is the COVID-19 daily report for Warren County as of 5:39pm on 09/21/2021:

- 80 Active Cases
- 2,109 Recovered Cases
- 23 Deaths
- 2,212 Total Cases

Since the last BOH meeting in November, we have had an additional 658 new cases and 3 deaths.

CDC Tracker: COVID-19 Level of Transmission in Warren County is High (Red). 7 Day Metrics

Current 7-days is Tue Jan 11 2022 - Mon Jan 17 2022 for case rate and Sun Jan 09 2022 - Sat Jan 15 2022 for percent positivity.

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Cases	230
Case Rate per 100k	1,165.68
% Positivity	27.9%

COVID-19 Vaccinations Update

The Warren County Health Department is still administering the Moderna and Johnson & Johnson (one dose) vaccines by appointment in addition to booster doses to adults 18 years and older. Vaccination clinics are held twice a week at the health department and other events as planned in the community. We are also providing the Pfizer vaccine to

Warren County Total 5-11 year olds. Population Vaccination Status:

People Vaccinated with at Least One Dose: 11,243

People Vaccinated with Two Doses or One Dose J&J: 10,519 People Vaccinated with One Booster/Additional Dose: 4,550

Percent of Population Vaccinated with at Least One Dose: 57%

Percent of Population Vaccinated with Two Doses or One Dose J&J: 53%

We are partnering with organizations such as Green Rural Redevelopment Organization (GRRO), Healthier Together, Kerr Tar and county agencies to provide education and outreach as well as incentives to increase vaccination rates among all populations.

Other Updates

Warren County Bright Ideas Project team members were recognized at the County Commissioners work session on December 14, 2021 for their outstanding efforts to educate and outreach to address COVID-19 in their communities. Dr. Susan Auger gave the presentation about the project with comments from team members.

OptumServe, an NC DHHS state vendor is conducting weekly COVID-19 testing at the Warren County Armory Civic Center. Testing began on December 28, 2021 and will continue as the demand for the service is needed.

The meeting was adjourned the next meeting is Tuesday, March 15, 2022 @ 6:00 pm.

Submitted by:

Dr. Elton Brown III, Board Chair

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Dr. Margaret F. Brake, Health Director