The meeting of the Madison County Board of Health Advisory Committee was held at the Madison County Health Department on Thursday, March 6, 2014.


**Members Absent:** Arthur L. Grist, Sr., M.P.H., Marcia Custer, R.N., Ph.D., and Janet Burnett, M.P.A.

**Others Present:** Toni M. Corona, B.S., L.E.H.P., Public Health Administrator, Michel E. Beatty, M.D., F.A.C.S., and Sharon Kadell, Office Manager.

The meeting was called to order by Harold Johnson, Chair at 6:05 p.m. and introductions were made.

A motion was made by Dorothy Droste and seconded by Jack Miller to approve the February 6, 2014 meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment:** Dorothy Droste shared an article from The Telegraph about the effectiveness of antibacterial soap.

Dorothy Droste also shared an article from The Telegraph about the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) releasing its Five Year Strategy 2014-2018. The strategic plan is a road-map for IDPH to build the capacity of the Department to better meet the public health needs of all people and communities in Illinois.

Harold Johnson shared an article from the St. Louis Post-Dispatch about curing AIDS in newborns.

Toni Corona nominated Harold Johnson as this years’ Region 4 Illinois Department of Public Health “Excellence in Community Leadership” Awardee. He was honored and presented a personalized Public Health Champion Award Certificate at a Minorities Affair Dinner on Thursday, February 20, 2014 at Lewis and Clark Community College. The Champion Award Certificate was circulated.

**Announcements:** Handouts.

**Public Health Administrator’s Report:** Three Job Descriptions (Madison County Health Department Public Health Administrator, Madison County Health Operations Manager, and, Madison County Health Department Resource Development Administrator) were approved by the Health Department Committee at the January 8, 2014 meeting, and by the Madison County Personnel Committee during their March 4th meeting.

Toni Corona announced that she would attend the Madison County Heroin Task Force Public Meeting Friday, March 7, 2014, 1:00 p.m., that will be held in the Madison County Board Room. Madison County officials are taking steps to combat the rise in heroin usage in the county. A discussion followed.

The Federal Government did not renew the funding for Illinois Community Transformation Grants. This affects our We Choose Health Madison County Grant that was an effort to encourage and to support population-based obesity and tobacco prevention in Illinois communities.
Illinois Emergency Management Agency awarded Madison County Health Department the State Indoor Radon Grant (SIRG) in the amount of $ 7,810.00. Environmental staff will be sent to trainings to be certified in Radon and how to appropriately place Radon kits. Do-It-Yourself Kits are available at the Health Department for $10.00. Madison County Health Department Website (www.madisonchd.org) was updated with this information.

There was a discussion about the Cupcake Controversy.

Nursing staff are investigating two children who are in the hospital with Escherichia coli 0157:H7 (E. coli). E. coli 0157:H7 infection may lead to hemorrhagic diarrhea, and to kidney failure. Transmission is via the fecal-oral route, and most illness has been through undercooked, contaminated ground beef or ground pork being eaten.

A motion was made by Jack Miller and seconded by David Ayres to approve A Resolution Concerning the Re-Appointment of Members to the Health Board Advisory Committee (Arthur L. Grist, Sr. and Harold M. Johnson). Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dorothy Droste and seconded by Jack Miller to approve A Resolution Concerning the Appointment of Michael E. Beatty, M.D. to the Health Board Advisory Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business:** The committee strategized about reorganization of Madison County Health Department. Within the next month, committee members will meet to streamline the management tiers report. The process of restructuring will continue at the April 3rd meeting.

**New Business:** Jack Miller suggested that Division Managers attend an Advisory meeting and introduce themselves. After a discussion, managers may be invited to do a 5-minute presentation of what that division does. Managers will attend sometime in the future one at a time.

The next scheduled meeting for this committee is **Thursday, April 3, 2014,** Madison County Health Department, 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by David Ayres and seconded by Jack Miller to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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Dorothy Droste, Recording Secretary

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