

## MINUTES - May 8, 2008

**Members Present:** Charleen Smith, Dr. Speer, Dr. Osaro, Dr. York, Jean Morgan

**Others Present:** Grant Wilke, Michele Cullen, Jeremy Husse, Bob Summers, Mary Lou Hinrichsen

Board of Health Chairperson, Charleen Smith, called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.

Approval of minutes for March 6, 2008, meeting; Dr. York moved to accept the minutes; Dr. Osaro seconded the motion; all members were in favor; motion carried.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Nothing to report.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:** Nothing to report.

**TOTAL QUALITY MANAGEMENT:** Charleen mentioned the email address for med cards (later there was a discussion on the newspaper article on the magnetic ones for the refrigerator, they are free at the Law Center, Mercy ER and the DeWitt PD), then she discussed the Meth & More informational brochure she got at the Drug Coalition (now known as Community Action Against Drugs) meeting, it was put on by the AEA as information and awareness for home care providers.

**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES:** Bob said he needed the BOH chairperson to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with IDPH for the Grants to Counties program for FY'09; Dr. Osaro moved to okay this; Dr. York seconded the motion; all members were in favor; motion carried; Bob discussed Elvira's progress on getting the community sewer project done, he'll still need to renew Arlene Hansen's variance for another year but he'll need the BOH chairperson to sign this also; Dr. Speer moved to okay this; Dr. Osaro seconded the motion; all members were in favor; motion carried.

**GENESIS VNA & HOSPICE:** Michele said they did receive notification on the funding on the Local Public Health Service Contract, they haven't gotten a contract yet but learned that Clinton County's grant went down about \$10,000, they have a new formula and she hasn't had time to see how they came to that amount, Johnson and Story Counties went up about \$50,000 and Scott County went down about \$8,000, so she has no idea how this formula worked out, it didn't look consistent to her but she'll check into that closer, the contract should be coming by the end of the month or the beginning of June, then she'll have Charleen sign it, she also wanted the BOH to know how "Go the Distance Day" with the schools turned out, they had almost 3200 kids participate, Northeast did a wonderful job having their kids walking into Goose Lake and the music teacher had a little cheer on healthy lifestyles, Clinton High's was yesterday, Dar Fox told hereverything went well, they had a lot of classes participating and walked close to 1200 kids around the track 2 different times during the day, Lyons, Washington and Eagle Heights are the other schools that participated, Hy-Vee provided 1000 bottles of water with incentive money the BOH got from the State presentation Barb Voss gave at the November BOH meeting, then Michele discussed the "Ethical Framework for Use in a Pandemic" document, Dr. Quinlisk, Medical Director for IDPH presented it to them, Michele thought she should have presented this with a lawyer because the questions that kept coming up were not so much medical but legal questions so Dr. Quinlisk really stressed that this is just for guidance, it isn't a legal document, each county can use it how they want, hospitals and public health were there, this should be used as a guidance to making decisions about your county as to what would be most affective in your county, we don't have any document for the county regarding a pandemic so we will look to IDPH as far as ordinances go, one of the things to make decisions on is the mass vaccination sites, chances are, if we have an event, Iowa is not going to have enough vaccine or antibiotics for the whole population, so decisions would have to be made on who would be your first line of defense, who's most at risk (health care workers, their families, EMS first responders), we'll need to make ethical and fair decisions protecting people's rights, we'll need triage in ER's and hospitals, they will have to make those decisions too, the big conversation in the State is having enough ventilators, Iowa is purchasing more ventilators for each region (maybe 10 more each); everyone also discussed the licensure of nurses & doctors who retire and have let their licenses go for the past five years because of the cost but would like to help in this capacity if there was an event, they are hoping that the State will send us something that says if they've had 20 years experience in this job and let their license go for the past five years they can the work under this proclamation, especially with the shortage of nurses in Iowa; Grant suggested making a list of retirees who have a medical background and reviewing it each year; Jean said temporary licenses from the state were issued in Louisiana after Katrina; then they discussed the need for legal protection, have county attorney draft something to protect us ahead of time, also measles are not in Iowa yet, some

discussion on the emergency management functional drill on June 12<sup>th</sup>; Michele said Mercy already did theirs May 1st, this one will be at the communication center, the hospitals will have limited participation, HAZMAT wants to open a joint information center, the news media wants to come to ask questions of the PIOs, and she hopes that Mercy will be there too.

**WOMEN'S HEALTH SERVICES:** Nothing to report.

**HILLCREST/WIC:** Nothing to report.

**CLINTON SCHOOLS:** Nothing to report.

**MENTAL HEALTH/BRIGEVUE:** Nothing to report.

**EMPOWERMENT/DECAT:** Nothing to report.

**COMMUNITY ACTION OF EASTERN IOWA/ CHORE:** Nothing to report.

**NEW DIRECTIONS:** Nothing to report.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:** Nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Nothing to report.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:** Grant introduced Dennis Starling and that he's here because he's interested in finding out about the different boards the BOS members are on, Grant also discussed emergencies and preparing for them, things like what's happening in Myanmar, he would like to see if there's a state policy or ordinance that comes from the Federal to the State to the County on this, he believes the county should also adopt one to fit us, that would be something the County Attorney could look at.

**OTHER:** There was no other business to discuss so the next meeting date was set for June 26, 2008, at the Administration Building, Supervisor's Room "B" at 7:30 a.m.

Jean, Dr. Osaro and Dr. York all moved to adjourn the meeting; Dr. Speer seconded the motion; all members were in favor; motion carried.

Meeting ended at 8:25 a.m.