East Shore District Health Department  
688 East Main Street  
Branford, CT 06405

Executive Board Meeting April 11, 2019

-Present: Dennis Nastri, Virginia Fallon, Darlene Zimmerman, Elias Najjar, Michael Pascucilla, Margaret Ikeda, Angela Carrano (on phone), Elaine Anderson, Sarah Esenther

-Absent: Lois Lehr has resigned from the board and Shawna Papa-Holzer will be resigning.

-Meeting called to order at 5:31 PM by Dennis Nastri

-Correspondence: The obituary of former board member Elaine Brainerd was circulated.

-Minutes: Minutes approved.

-Old Business:
-Grants Status
  1. CDC Fellowship Position Opportunity between Yale, ESDHD, and the State of Connecticut regarding climate change has been accepted and is in process.
  2. Opioid Grant Resolution: Grant increased by $32,000 to $168,000. Resolved by Michael, signed by Dennis.

RESOLUTION

I hereby Certify that a meeting of the Board of Directors of East Shore District Health Department duly called and held on April 11, 2019 at 688 East Main Street, Branford, CT 06405, the following resolution was duly adopted in conformity with the charter and bylaws of said corporation and is in full force and effect.

RESOLVED that Michael A. Pascucilla the Director of Health/CEO of the East Shore District Health Department, is authorized to enter into and amend contractual instruments with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services of the State of Connecticut.

Signed April 11, 2019 by Dennis Nastri, Chairman, Board of Health

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
County of New Haven, Connecticut
Personally, appeared before me this 11th day of April, 2019, Marsha Davis, Office Administrator of the East Shore District Health Department, and made oath that the above is a true copy from the records of the Corporation.
Beth and SPF workers have been asked to train other health departments, the program has been suggested to speak in Chicago, and on April 26 the program will showcase their work to all health departments in the state. New $32,000 grant has been given to continue work.

-Question about medical marijuana dispenser effect on opioid use: Beth is concerned about lack of ability to test for marijuana and medical marijuana falling into the wrong hands.

New Business:
-Freedom of Information Request from New Haven Register. Michael has processed request except for emails. Difficult to collect, print, and redact medical, attorney-client privilege protected information from all emails within Office 365 system. Michael is still working with AOS. Board communications should go to Dennis, non-board communications should be given to Michael.

Lois Lehr – Branford Board Member Retirement/Vice Chair Position: Two positions will be open with Lois and Shawna leaving. Angela nominated, accepted, passed as to replace Lois in Vice Chair position. Plaque, naming of clinic, and restaurant gift card suggested as recognition of retirement presents and collection was taken for gift card.

Contract Renewals:
- PHAB Consultant: Suggested to renew and fund for full amount with hours tapering down.
- Medical Advisor: Suggested to renew contract with Dr. Ikeda.

Both contracts renewed: first by Darlene, second by Elaine, approved with all in favor.

Climate Change Meeting Presentation/Award: Michael is attending Climate Change Meeting in Washington DC next week and will be meeting with Senator Murphy to discuss climate change funding in public health.

SCSU – ESDHD Research Presentation/Project Collaborative: Next month Michael will propose a project with SCSU comparing noise levels between gasoline and solar powered boats. Noise pollution affects sea life, including shellfish, so sensors will be used to monitor shellfish heartbeats and cameras will be used to monitor presence of fish around boats. If results are promising further funding will be pursued.

Executive Session

Director’s Report:
- PHAB accreditation status: Documents are ~75% complete, then personnel visit, and anticipated accreditation in fall.

Union Contract: Waiting for union personnel on leave to come back before it can proceed.
PH Activity Reports were passed around.