

Description		
Date	02/24/2011	Location
		Board of Health
Time	Speaker	Note
<a href="#">6:56:25 AM</a>		<p><i>Members Present:</i> Robin Cory, Laura Larsson, Brian Leland, Gretchen Rupp, Carson Taylor, Buck Taylor</p> <p><i>Excused Members:</i> Berk Knighton, Bill Murdock, Barbara Vaughn</p> <p><i>Deputy County Attorney:</i> Chris Gray</p> <p><i>Staff:</i> Matt Kelley, Toni Lucker, Tim Roark, Liz Wildman</p> <p><i>Public:</i> Kellie Andrews, Cindy Ballew, Connie Bengtson, Lander Cooney, Mari Dominguez, Nikki Fink, Emily Hooker, Stephanie McDowell, Kirk Miller,</p>
<a href="#">7:03:46 AM</a>		<b>Meeting called to Order</b>
<a href="#">7:04:00 AM</a>		<b>Disclaimer for Audio Broadcasting</b>
<a href="#">7:04:17 AM</a>		<b>Public Comment on a Non-agenda Item - none</b>
<a href="#">7:04:35 AM</a>		<b>Consent Agenda</b>
<a href="#">7:05:01 AM</a>	Gretchen Rupp	The Board Chair pulled the Adoption of Informal Proceedings Procedures from the Consent Agenda to the end of the Regular Agenda. The Consent Agenda consists of the minutes and the two contracts to be ratified.
<a href="#">7:05:19 AM</a>	Motion	Buck made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda with the removal of the Adoption of Informal Proceedings Procedures.
<a href="#">7:05:30 AM</a>	Second	Robin seconded the motion.
<a href="#">7:05:33 AM</a>	Vote	<p>Roll Call:</p> <p>Brian - yes</p> <p>Carson - yes</p> <p>Laura - yes</p> <p>Gretchen - yes</p> <p>Buck - yes</p> <p>Robin - yes</p> <p>The motion passed unanimously.</p>
<a href="#">7:05:41 AM</a>		<b>Regular Agenda</b>
<a href="#">7:05:45 AM</a>		<b>Health Officer Report</b>
<a href="#">7:05:50 AM</a>		Matt requested Board direction on three letters to the legislators regarding the proposed cuts to services and how those cuts would impact the community:
<a href="#">7:07:40 AM</a>		<p><b>2011 Session of Montana Legislature</b></p> <p><b><i>Letter regarding Proposed Cuts to Prevention Programs</i></b></p> <p><u>Montana Tobacco-Use Prevention Program</u> was funded in totality by dollars to the state through a settlement with the tobacco companies. The legislative budget committee has essentially zeroed out this money and for Gallatin County this means a reduction of \$80,000 - \$100,000 that goes to Bozeman Public Schools, the Tobacco Prevention Program and also eliminates the Tobacco Prevention Coordinator position.</p>
<a href="#">7:12:49 AM</a>	Kirk Miller	Dr. Kirk Miller, Superintendent of Bozeman Public Schools, spoke on how the

		prevention program funds are used for the 5,700 school-aged children in the community.
<a href="#">7:21:43 AM</a>	Connie Bengtson	Connie Bengtson, Belgrade School District Nurse, spoke regarding the presence and prevention efforts of Rick Gale in the Belgrade Schools and in the community.
<a href="#">7:28:21 AM</a>		<u>Family Planning</u> : Matt discussed the family planning money cuts and the impacts to reproductive health, the community and to Bridger Clinic.
<a href="#">7:29:04 AM</a>		Chris Gray arrived.
<a href="#">7:31:44 AM</a>	Mari Dominguez	Mari, Executive Director of Bridger Clinic, passed out the 2010 annual report on the statewide family planning program, reported on the services provided by Bridger Clinic and discussed how the prevention funding cuts would impact Bridger Clinic and Gallatin County.
<a href="#">7:37:50 AM</a>	Nila Chandler	Nila, Nurse Practitioner with Bridger Clinic for 19 years, expressed facts regarding women's' reproductive lives and access to reasonable birth control.
<a href="#">7:39:58 AM</a>	Stephanie McDowell	Stephanie, Associate Director, discussed education, affordable health care and contraceptive services.
<a href="#">7:43:01 AM</a>	Emily Hooker	Emily, Nurse Practitioner and Clinical Supervisor, with Bridger Clinic for 21 years. She has spent the time caring for and educating men & women in the community regarding reproductive health and family planning no matter their income.
<a href="#">7:46:01 AM</a>	Barbara Ekstein	Barbara, Nurse Practitioner, works at Zoe women's care services, a non-profit with free services. Barbara expressed her feelings that not all of the statistics are being seen.
<a href="#">7:50:25 AM</a>		Gretchen opened the session to Board discussion on the letter regarding the prevention program cuts.
<a href="#">7:50:43 AM</a>		She noted that Dr. Pat Holland, Ob-Gyn, who has practiced in the community for 25 years, wrote a letter to the Board in strong support of the reproductive services provided by Bridger Clinic.
<a href="#">7:51:24 AM</a>	Board Discussion	Buck discussed how the reduction in funding would remove the Quit Line - an evidence-based practice in helping the low-income quit tobacco. Buck supports the letter.
<a href="#">7:52:59 AM</a>		Brian suggested that the funding from tobacco settlement should be a front and center issue early in the fact sheet.
<a href="#">7:56:42 AM</a>		Robin requested that a statement be added that Bridger Clinic money is used for contraceptives not for abortions.
<a href="#">7:57:06 AM</a>		Carson discussed that the letter is a solid, moderate approach and consistent with what a Health Board should do, so he supports the letter.
<a href="#">7:59:51 AM</a>	Motion	Buck made a motion to direct the chair to sign the letter and mail.
<a href="#">8:00:07 AM</a>	Second	Laura seconded the motion.
<a href="#">8:00:14 AM</a>	Amended Motion	Buck amended the motion with the addition of a sentence amenable to Brian (his suggestion above) and to send it out as soon as possible.
<a href="#">8:00:50 AM</a>		Brian suggested adding a bullet to the top of the fact sheet about abortion funding. Matt suggested adding a bullet that says - 'the funding is not used to fund abortions.'

<a href="#">8:02:33 AM</a>	Amended Motion	Buck amended the motion to reflect the addition of the abortion bullet.
<a href="#">8:02:51 AM</a>	Vote	Roll Call: Brian -
<a href="#">8:03:05 AM</a>	Vote	Roll Call: Brian - yes Carson - yes Laura - yes Gretchen - yes Buck - yes Robin - yes  The motion passed unanimously.
<a href="#">8:03:20 AM</a>		<b>Electronic Medical Records Funding</b>
<a href="#">8:03:33 AM</a>		Matt reported on the legislator's proposed rejection of the \$35 million in federal dollars that would help organizations implement public health records, improve technology and patient tracking.
<a href="#">8:04:32 AM</a>	Lander Cooney	Lander, CEO of Community Health Partners, discussed the effects of the funding cut to Community Health Partners, the electronic medical records program and the medical care to the community.
<a href="#">8:08:16 AM</a>		Board questions and discussions.
<a href="#">8:19:16 AM</a>	Motion	Carson made a motion to send the letter
<a href="#">8:19:27 AM</a>	Second	Robin seconded the motion.
<a href="#">8:19:39 AM</a>		Board discussion about getting knowledge into the hands of the people making the decisions.
<a href="#">8:21:10 AM</a>		Buck disclosed that his organization has something to gain from this but he does not personally gain anything, so Buck did not feel he had to recuse himself from the vote.
<a href="#">8:22:37 AM</a>	Vote	Roll Call: Brian - yes Carson - yes Laura - yes Gretchen - yes Buck - yes Robin - yes  The motion passed unanimously.
<a href="#">8:22:48 AM</a>		<b>Letter regarding Immunization Requirements - Day cares</b> This refers to the larger, state-regulated day cares.
<a href="#">8:23:19 AM</a>		Matt discussed that this legislation would allow religious exemptions in the large, regulated day cares and discussed the impacts to the children and families if this were to pass. At this time, the House voted 49-50 to reject this legislation.
<a href="#">8:25:10 AM</a>		Matt requested the Board select one of two options 1) send the letter to reinforce the message; or 2) authorize the spirit of the letter and thank the legislators who

		voted for killing the legislation and send to those legislators who voted against it to reinforce the message. Or not send a letter at all.
<a href="#">8:26:06 AM</a>		Board discussion. Brian supports sending the letter as is; Gretchen supports the letter
<a href="#">8:27:27 AM</a>		Matt added that the letter would be distributed with a complimentary letter from the executive director of Childcare Connections, an agency that works with families to place children into daycares.
<a href="#">8:28:09 AM</a>		Robin added that Montana has the lowest rate of immunizations.
<a href="#">8:28:29 AM</a>		Carson likes the letter as is.
<a href="#">8:28:59 AM</a>	Motion	Robin made a motion to send the letter as is
<a href="#">8:29:04 AM</a>	Second	Brian seconded the motion
<a href="#">8:29:11 AM</a>	Vote	Roll Call: Brian - yes Carson - yes Laura - yes Gretchen - yes Buck - yes Robin - yes  The motion passed unanimously.
<a href="#">8:29:43 AM</a>	Break	Board chair called for a break
<a href="#">8:38:45 AM</a>	Reconvened	Board chair reconvened the meeting
<a href="#">8:38:50 AM</a>		<b>Informal Contested Case Proceedings</b>
<a href="#">8:39:02 AM</a>	Chris Gray	Chris, Deputy County Attorney, advised the Board on the appeal process due to actions by the Health Officer, who has refused to validate certain trailer court and food licenses in the community. The Board will follow the Montana Administrative Procedure Act that is the same procedure that a state agency follows.
<a href="#">8:40:56 AM</a>		He requested a motion from the Board to adopt the informal contested case proceedings as presented in the Board packet.
<a href="#">8:42:35 AM</a>		Chris advised that when an appeal is made, the appeal is acknowledged by the Board through the Health Officer and a hearing date is set.
<a href="#">8:42:46 AM</a>		He continued with explaining how either the Board would hear the appeal or would sit as a jury with a hearings examiner conducting the proceedings - however the Board chooses.
<a href="#">8:43:28 AM</a>		An informal inquiry has been made to the Gallatin County Bar asking if they have an interest in being a hearing examiner on the Board's behalf.
<a href="#">8:44:22 AM</a>		Board discussion and questions.
<a href="#">8:49:58 AM</a>		by adopting this proceedings the appeal would be more akin to a variance hearing rather than a formal court case.
<a href="#">9:04:19 AM</a>	Motion	Laura made a motion to adopt the proceedings.
<a href="#">9:04:23 AM</a>	Second	Carson seconded the motion.

<a href="#">9:06:07 AM</a>	Vote	Roll Call: Brian - yes Carson - yes Laura - yes Gretchen - yes Buck - yes Robin - yes  The motion passed unanimously.
<a href="#">9:06:43 AM</a>		To a Board question, Matt suggested working with Chris on the conversation of who best to run the proceedings.
<a href="#">9:08:09 AM</a>		Meeting adjourned