STATE HEALTH COUNCIL
August 13, 2013

A meeting of the State Health Council was called to order by Chairman Gordon Myerchin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 13, 2013 in AV Room 212 of the Judicial Wing, State Capitol, Bismarck, ND.

Members present:
Gordon Myerchin, Grand Forks, Chairman
Marlene Kouba, Regent, Secretary (by phone and participated for an hour)
Howard Anderson, Turtle Lake
Jerry Jurena, Bismarck
Wade Peterson, Mandan
Duane Pool, Bismarck

Members absent:
Greg Allen, Jamestown
Mike Jones, Bismarck
Dennis Wolf, Dickinson

Staff members present:
Arvy Smith, Deputy State Health Officer
Darleen Bartz, Health Resources Section
Kenan Bullinger, Division of Food & Lodging
Mary Dasovich, Community Health Section
Dave Glatt, Environmental Health Section
Molly Howell, Division of Disease Control
Ruth Hursman, Division of Emergency Medical Services & Trauma
Londa Rodahl, Recording Secretary

Others present:
See ATTACHMENT A

Minutes

MR. JURENA MOVED APPROVAL OF MAY 14, 2013 MINUTES AS DISTRIBUTED. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

State Trauma Committee

Ruth Hursman, state trauma coordinator, noted the State Health Council is allowed to appoint one or more ad hoc members to the State Trauma Committee. She recommended the Council appoint Jeanette Lyon, who has a lengthy career working in emergency rooms, etc.

MR. POOL MOVED THAT JEANETTE LYON BE APPOINTED TO THE STATE TRAUMA COMMITTEE. SECOND BY MR. JURENA AND CARRIED.

NDAC 33-06-05, School Immunization Requirements

Molly Howell, immunization program manager, presented the amendments to the school immunization requirements. No comments were received and the Attorney General’s legality opinion was received July 3, 2013. She requested the Council’s adoption of the amendments.

MR. ANDERSON MOVED THE ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO NDAC 33-06-05, SCHOOL IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS. SECOND BY MR. POOL.
The Chair requested a roll call vote and the MOTION CARRIED. Anderson, Jurena, Kouba, Myerchin, Peterson, and Pool voted ‘aye’. There were no ‘nay’ votes. Allen, Jones and Wolf—absent.

**NDAC amendments regarding Food, Lodging, Tanning, and Body Art Licensure Fees**

Kenan Bullinger presented the amendments concerning food and lodging, tanning and body art licensure fees. The comment period ends in two days and thus far no oral or written comments have been received. He requested the Council’s adoption of these amendments, contingent upon no comments being received and approval of the Attorney General.

MR. ANDERSON MOVED THE ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS REGARDING FOOD, LODGING, TANNING, AND BODY ART LICENSURE FEES, CONTINGENT UPON NO COMMENTS BEING RECEIVED AND THE LEGALITY APPROVAL BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL. SECOND BY MR. PETERSON.

The Chair requested a roll call vote and the MOTION CARRIED. Anderson, Jurena, Kouba, Myerchin, Peterson, and Pool voted ‘aye’. There were no ‘nay’ votes. Allen, Jones and Wolf—absent.

**Dental Loan Repayment Application**

Mary Amundson presented a dental loan repayment application for Christopher Eriksson, DDS, who is practicing at Valley Community Health Centers Dental Clinic in Grand Forks. He is requesting $80,000.

Two dentists (Clarissa Sparkman and Ryan Yakowicz) approved at the May 14, 2013 Health Council meeting had other opportunities present themselves and they chose not to accept the funding. This opened the possibility to fund two other dentists. Dr. Sparkman was approved using SLRP (federal) funding and Dr. Yakowicz using state funding.

The Council questioned whether the other dentists denied funding at the May meeting were considered for these two openings. Mary noted those applications hadn’t been included. The Council requested that Mary and Brenda Weisz (the Department’s Accounting director) review those denied applications along with Dr. Eriksson’s and return later in the meeting to complete this discussion.

**Section Updates**

Darleen Bartz presented the update on the Health Resources Section, Mary Dasovick on the Community Health Section, and Dave Glatt on the Environmental Health Section.

**Dental Loan Repayment Application continued**

Mary Amundson and Brenda Weisz returned to the meeting and presented the application for Amy Holtan, DDS, practicing in New Rockford to receive $80,000 through state funds and Christopher Eriksson, DDS, to receive $60,000 through SLRP funds.

MR. JURENA MOVED THE APPROVAL OF THE DENTAL LOAN REPAYMENT APPLICATION FOR AMY HOLTAN, DDS, FOR $80,000 USING THE STATE DENTAL LOAN REPAYMENT FUNDS. SECOND BY MR. ANDERSON.

The Chair requested a roll call vote and the MOTION CARRIED. Anderson, Jurena, Myerchin, Peterson, and Pool voted ‘aye’. There were no ‘nay’ votes. Allen, Jones, Kouba and Wolf—absent.

MR. ANDERSON MOVED THE APPROVAL OF THE DENTAL LOAN REPAYMENT APPLICATION FOR CHRISTOPHER ERIKSSON, DDS, FOR $60,000 USING THE SLRP (FEDERAL) FUNDS. SECOND BY MR. POOL.
The Chair requested a roll call vote and the MOTION CARRIED. Anderson, Jurena, Myerchin, Peterson, and Pool voted ‘aye’. There were no ‘nay’ votes. Allen, Jones, Kouba and Wolf—absent.

Mr. Myerchin requested Ms. Amundson report back to the Council by email as to whether Dr. Eriksson is willing to accept $60,000 rather than the $80,000 he requested.

**Strategic Planning**

Kelly Nagel distributed and presented ATTACHMENT B. She noted that most of the indicators are based on health status not on how health care impacts the indicators. She felt more review and discussion is needed on those indicators in order to identify and select the indicators the Council wants to monitor and then how to report them out. She asked that a subcommittee be appointed to work with her on these issues between Council meetings. Duane Pool, Wade Peterson and Jerry Jurena will serve on this subcommittee.

**Audit Committee**

Karol Riedman asked the Council to appoint another member to the Audit Committee since Carmen Toman resigned from the Health Council. Gordon Myerchin offered to fill the position.

**Other Business**

The Data Committee also needs another member due to Ms. Toman’s resignation from the Council. Duane Pool will fill this vacancy.

Gordon Myerchin stated he desired to be chairman for another year and had spoken with Marlene Kouba and Mike Jones, who volunteered as vice chairman and secretary, respectively. Wade Peterson desired to run against Marlene for vice chairman. A written ballot was taken and the following were elected: Gordon Myerchin, Chairman; Wade Peterson, Vice Chairman; Mike Jones, Secretary.

Mr. Myerchin mentioned having received a call and letter from the State Auditor’s Office about the upcoming Health Department audit.

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

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Marlene Kouba, Secretary
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North Dakota State Health Council's Roles and Responsibilities

State Health Council's Impact on Improving Health in North Dakota

**Define Statutory Authority and Processes**
- Create appropriate meeting structure to accomplish goals
- Define Health Council role to address public health issues

**Establish and Implement a Quality Care Measure System**
- Explore best practices and policies for healthcare system performance
- Define criteria for measuring quality care in North Dakota
- Identify data sources and determine processes to receive data
- Develop reporting and monitoring processes
- Inform public of available data

**Strengthen Policy to Improve Health in North Dakota**
- Youth Motor Vehicle Crashes
- Teen Pregnancy
- Youth Tobacco Use
- MRSA
- Childhood Obesity
- American Indian Youth Risk Behaviors

- Identify council processes for health policy advocacy efforts
- Determine a process for defining relevant health messages and methods to convey messages to target groups
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**Strategic Priority:** Strengthen Policy to Improve Health in North Dakota

**Goal:** Process for health policy advocacy efforts

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<td>Created a mission statement- no additional logo from the department’s necessary</td>
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<td>Create a SHC website</td>
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<td>DoH staff submit proposal or policy recommendation, including evidence based data</td>
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<td>SHC determines and develops a policy position- a unified voice</td>
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<td>Determine advocacy approach-testify, contact individual legislators, messaging, etc.</td>
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**Strategic Priority:** Define Statutory Authority and Processes

**Goal:** Define Health Council Role

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<td>Amendments introduced in legislative session</td>
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**Strategic Priority:** Establish and Implement a Quality Care Measure System

**Goal:** Develop a Quality of Care reporting and monitoring process

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