

## NEW JERSEY LOCAL BOARDS OF HEALTH ASSOCIATION

Regular Meeting Location South Brunswick Municipal Center 540 Ridge Road Monmouth Junction, New Jersey 08852 P.O. Box 5069 Kendall Park, NJ 08824

**Date:** February 10, 2018

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Meeting called to Order: 10:30 a.m. by President Christine Harris

Pledge of Allegiance:

Members Present: Christine Harris, John Saccenti, Valerie Williams, Paul Roman, Steve Papenberg,

Michael Richmond, Ken McCormick, Rochelle Evans.

Members Absent: Walter Stein, Jo Hochman

<u>Minutes</u>: January 13, 2018 were not available. President Christine Harris made a motion to review the minutes when they become available from the minutes transcriber, Beatriz Williams.

#### **President's Announcements:**

- On January 30, 2018 attended the Bloustein Lecture in New Brunswick: "Adopting to Change: Environmental Science and Policy in the Time of Trump" delivered by Thomas A. Burke, PhD, MPH.
- N.J. has a new Principal Deputy Commissioner; Jackie Cornelli and she is from the CDC.
- NJACCHO to host an Educational seminar on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>. "Marijuana Policy in New Jersey; speaker Dr. David L. Nathan.
- Several communications from Director Semple, NJDOH
  - Request for HO to complete an online survey in compliance with EO4, on local HD activities to ensure marketplace access and enrollment in for health care ACA. Responses were due by 5pm on Friday, February 9, 2018.
  - o Influenza webinar update from DOH on Feb 9th.

#### **Visitor Presentation:**

Mr. Jean Pierre Jacobs, a student at Rutgers University provided a power point presentation on "Proposed Legislative Policy on Childhood Immunization/Vaccination Exemptions".

The presentation outlined a number of current policy concerns and issues based on immunization compliance and non-compliance. Mr. Jean Pierre Jacobs plans to present a policy draft to New Jersey Legislators for their consideration. The board members made comments and recommendations on his presentation.

#### **Discussion Topics:**

- Wishes for a speedy recovery were expressed by the membership regarding Board Secretary, Walter Stein who is out ill until further notice.
- Beatriz Williams expressed concerns about continuing her paid services as minutes transcriber to NILBHA.
- President Christine Harris recommended Rochelle Evans to serve as Acting Board Secretary until Walter Stein returns from sick leave. A motion was made by John Saccenti to nominate



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Rochelle Evans as Acting Secretary to the board while Walter Stein is out ill. The motion was seconded by Michael Richmond and a vote was called: All were in favor with one abstention.

## Membership Committee: Nancy Wilson, Steve Papenberg, John Saccenti, Paul Roman

- Treasurer, Steve Papenberg is ordering new membership cards for 2018-2019. A letter of thanks from President Christine Harris will be included when cards are mailed to members who have paid their dues.
- Paul Roman reminded the board that our annual report is due on May 15, 2018 on form 990 as a 501 C-3 organization.

<u>Communications</u>: Vice President of Communications, Valarie Williams suggested moving the newsletter publication to mid-March, as she is attempting to get "publisher" software program. All agreed that the next newsletter will be scheduled for March 23rd. John Saccenti volunteered to submit the names of the December Awardees for inclusion in the up-coming newsletter. Steve, Michael and John will work on information to go into the next newsletter, regarding (CHIP) Community Health Improvement Plans and inter-local contracts for public health services.

### Reports:

<u>PHACE:</u> Steve Papenberg and Paul Roman reported on the progress of PHACE with the Public Health Institute, APHA News and the Network for Public Health Law. All agreed that President Harris, Paul Roman and Steve Papenberg will represent NJLBA in meetings and discussions regarding the formation of a public health Institute in New Jersey. President Harris will submit a letter of support to Kevin Sumner, current president of NJACCHO to affirm our support and inclusion in this process.

- There will be a planning team meeting with PHACE on March 7th and members of PHACE Will be attending our meeting on March 10th.
- <u>LAW</u>: Legislative day for public health will be May 9th -11th; where we will be allowed to give literature and recommendations to legislators in Trenton.
  - o There is a new animal cruelty bill on enforcement in New Jersey.
  - Michael Richmond will be providing information on" Legal Issues" for our future Newsletter.

Finance: Treasurer's Report Steven Papenberg

Balance as of January 31, 2018: \$8,930.21 Expenditures: \$250.00 NJEHA Conference

Flowers for W. Stein \$115.67 Secretarial Service \$100.00 Total Expenditures \$465.67 Ending Balance \$8,464.54

Approved: 1st. John Saccenti, 2nd. Ken McKormick. Unanimnous approval.



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## Other Business / Open Discussion:

**Motion to Adjourn**: – All in favor

Adjournment: 12:55pm

Respectfully submitted,

Rochelle Evans Acting Board Secretary