



NEW JERSEY LOCAL BOARDS OF HEALTH ASSOCIATION

**Regular Meeting Location
South Brunswick Municipal Building
540 Ridge Avenue
South Brunswick, New Jersey**

**P.O. Box 5069
Kendall Park, NJ 08824**

*February 15, 2020
10:30 am – 1:00 pm*

MINUTES

*Meeting called by Christine Harris, President
Call to order: 11:00 am; Pledge of Allegiance*

Member roll call: *Christine Harris, John Saccenti, Michael Richmond, Paul Roman, Rochelle Evans and Steve Papenberg.*

Absent: *George DiFerdinando, Jo Hochman, Laura O'Reilly-Stanzilis, Nancy Wilson, Bob Uhrik, and Dr. Harris Levine.*

Motion for Approval of January 4, 2020 meeting minutes *1st Steve Papenberg; 2nd Paul Roman*

President's Announcements:

- Email sent to Michael Darcy, at the League, in reference to affiliate status; he confirmed we are on the Executive Committee's Agenda.*
- Working on establishing a comprehensive board of health members list which currently has 242 names.*
- Webmaster Carey is looking into upgrading our website for webinar and video conferencing capabilities.*
- Newsletter has been completed including Award Dinner pictures; distributed and posted on our website.*
- Paul, Paschal, Don and I attended the DOH Budget Listening Session on Feb. 6th. Paul gave a great speech; copies were distributed.*
- Paul gave a speech about our organization and affiliate then presented Assemblyman Conaway with the NJLBHA Legislator of the Year Award in Trenton at the Health Committee Meeting; pictures are posted on the website.*
- In support, I called my State Senators to support Immunization Bill S2173. Also made announcement to political meeting membership, City Council, BO and HD.*

Legal – Attorney Michael Richmond:

- 1. Announced that Bill S2173 was not passed and will probably re-start in 2020.*
- 2. Met with graduate student and advisor from College of NJ Public Health, will gather data search on boards of health throughout NJ. Michael will approach the student to include updating our website with current public health information and working on our Newsletter.*
- 3. Will give a presentation to the Mayors Association in Camden County on BOH on the 16th of March. Copies of the trifold will be distributed.*



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4. Mike will complete video on Board of Health structure for approximately 45 minutes.
5. Discussed types of Boards of Health in New Jersey and their services (Faulkner, County, Municipal etc.)
6. Follow-up on Sustainable Jersey – We have been designated to educate boards of health in New Jersey. All municipalities must have some form of a board of health. Sustainable Jersey mandates compliance certification training and continuing education.

Membership Committee - Steve Papenberg, John Saccenti, and Paul Roman. Newsletter will be mailed out to all boards of health and health officers.

Communication - Newsletter – Laura O'Reilly-Stanzilis (absent)

Report State Legislative Liaison : Jo Hochman (absent). Verbally conveyed nothing to report.

PHACE- Paul Roman, Steve Papenberg: Discussions on immunization bill and upcoming health department budget; meeting dates; on organization and formalization of PHACE requesting Michael speak again in March or April, some members are in favor; Public Health week in April; and, public health legislature meeting in June.

Treasurer's Report- Stephen Papenberg:

Balance 1/31/2020 \$7,476.63

Expenses: \$1,684.70

Bal: \$5,791.93

Motion to accept by John and seconded by Rochelle, all approved.

Other Business/Open Discussion:

- Discussed the coronavirus - COVID19.
- Discussed federal and states actions against vaping.
- NJEHA Annual Conference March 1-3, 2020 in Atlantic City (the Association will set up a booth (voted and unanimously approved). NJEHA in New York City, July 13-16, Sheridan Hotel, Times Square.
- Walter Stein's commemorative award was sent to Mrs. Stein by Paul. She was very grateful.
- Paul will submit a letter to the Commissioner requesting a grant for work focusing on boards of health; motioned by Rochelle, 2nd by Steve, and unanimously approved.
- Members to commit to visiting local boards to join the Association.

Adjournment:

2:00 pm

Respectfully submitted

Rochelle Evans