



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

July 11, 2020
10:30 am – 1:00 pm

Minutes

Meeting called by Christine Harris, President
Call to order: 10:35 am; Pledge of Allegiance

Zoom Telecommunication: 843 2979 1382 host John Saccenti

Member roll call: Christine Harris, Dr Harris Levine, Joan Valez, Jo Hochman, John Saccenti, Laura O'Reilly-Stanzilis, Michael Richmond, Nancy Wilson, Paul Roman, Robert Uhrik, Steve Papenberg.
Absent: Dr. George DiFerdinando and Rochelle Evans.

Motion for Approval of: May 2, 2020 and June 6, 2020 meeting minutes, both 1st Harris, 2nd Steve and unanimously approved.

Discussion Topics:

President's Announcements:

- *New website up and running.*
- *"COVID-19 Response" Letter to the Governor, Commissioner and Legislators. Sent by PHACE June 15, 2020 and listed the president names of representing members. Rochelle did an excellent job with the initial draft which served as the foundation for PHACE letter.*
- *Request for articles for Newsletter by July 17th for August for publication.*

Membership Committee - Steve Papenberg, John Saccenti, and Paul Roman; currently 62 (includes 58 full membership and 4 individual).

Legal Attorney Michael Richmond

- *Will use Newsletter article for NJ Municipal League Magazine. Discussed contact tracing. Wants feedback from municipalities about how contact tracing is going.*
- *Public health graduate student working on survey for BOH from Sustainable Jersey is presently on hiatus. Survey sent only to Camden County was returned but the survey needs fine-tuning.*

Communication - Newsletter – Laura O'Reilly-Stanzilis

- *Stats on f/u with Candice Davenport from Maplewood.*
- *Elaborated on new website, well organized, intuitive, easier to upload new documents with use of hyperlinks.*
- *Working on creating an agenda, getting potential presenter list for the proposed webinar- pandemic, lessons learned.*
- *Requested that all articles for the Newsletter be submitted by July 17th.*



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Reports by Ex-Officio Members – Bob Uhrick - All REHS' are busy. 14 modules to complete contact training with a Comcare practice session at the end; need 70% grade to pass.

Report State Legislative Liaison: Jo Hochman – No update; next meeting in September.

PHACE- Paul Roman, Steve Papenberg:

Treasurer's Report- Stephen Papenberg- submitted by email and distributed.

Bal. June 30, 2020 \$ 8,654.79

Deposits: \$ 420.00

Balance: \$ 9,065.79

Other Business/Open Discussion:

1. Paul and Don Weinbaum from PHACE are on the working committee for S2500 legislation on PH funding, staffing and communicable diseases. Bill passed the senate committee and senate floor. Hearing is forthcoming.
2. Discussed S73 Food- Cottage Baking bill. LBH & HD are now included; and need to establish regulations.
3. S23 passed.
4. The Office of Local Public Health under the new deputy Commissioner.
5. No boards of health in Warren County municipalities although there are 2 County Health Departments. Freeholders are the governing body.
6. Montgomery BOH, President Dr. Jeromy Greyson, expressed an interest in join our board. Steve will send membership information and the president will send a welcome email.
7. Lisa Gulla is the new President of NJPHA.
8. To date only 100 contact tracers are in place in certain counties, but this will be expanded as the numbers of tracers increase.
9. Extensive discussions on question of who has authority to declare a quarantine.
10. Future inclusion for newsletter and website, a survey questions section with periodic interest/topic updates, ex: What has been your experience with contact training.
11. Governors' Executive Orders are enforceable with the approval of the county district attorney, state, and local police.
12. Discussed that Michael create a message on the role and responsibilities of BOH during pandemics to be sent to the League Magazine.
13. Nancy is working with schools in preparation for reopening.
14. Paul will speak with one of the VP of the League about affiliate membership.
15. The State wants LHD to oversee long term nursing facilities.
16. Payment to Carey, our webmaster of \$384.060; motion to approve: 1st by Paul and 2nd by Harris, unanimous approval.

Adjournment: 12:27 pm. Motioned by Nancy, seconded by Harris, unanimously approved.

Minutes prepared by Christine Harris.