



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

November 7, 2020
10:30 am – 1:00 pm

MINUTES

Meeting called by Christine Harris, President
Call to order: 10:40 am; Pledge of Allegiance

Zoom Telecommunication: 892 9558 6840 host John Saccenti

Member roll call: Christine Harris, John Saccenti, Michael Richmond, Dr. George DiFerdinando, Paul Roman, Robert Uhrik, Steve Papenberg, Dr. Jeremy Grayson and Laura O'Reilly-Stanzilis.

Absent: Joan Velez, Rochelle Evans, Jo Hochman, Dr. Ross Zbar, Nancy Wilson, and Dr. Harris Levine.

September 19, 2020 meeting minutes accepted as presented.

Dr. Jeremy Greyson elected as an interim member to the Executive Board, unanimously approved and will be part of the election process in January 2021. Subsequent meetings quorum will require 6 ex com members.

Discussion Topics:

President's Announcements:

- *Joined the NJPHA webinar on Response, Recovery and Resilience during COVID-19, October 14th.*

Membership Committee - Steve Papenberg, John Saccenti, and Paul Roman currently 78 members. There is continued miscommunication between BOH, and municipal government related to communications - mail handling.

Legal Attorney Michael Richmond:

1. *As a work in progress, The Sustainable Jerseys Gold Health Standard Program activities allows municipalities to earn points towards achieving a gold standard and their LBH will become a member of NJLBHA.*
2. *Need to start thinking about vaccine inoculation programs and distribution as a public health priority. The state has identified that vaccinations will be handled at the local level.*
3. *Bylaws review -Paul and Michael -work in progress.*

Communication - Newsletter – Laura O'Reilly-Stanzilis: Utilize connection with the Mayors Wellness Campaign membership. Create webinar account and use link and have a live webinar. Upload the North Jersey Health Collaborative webinar.

Reports by Ex-Officio Members – Bob Uhrik: NJEHA- REHS very busy and contemplating holding virtual meetings.

Report State Legislative Liaison: Jo Hochman: Absent



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PHACE- Paul Roman, Steve Papenberg:

1. The Cottage Food Bill almost complete and the Governor will sign. Amendment needed to eliminate HD involvement or get them the money needed for licensing inspections.
2. 6 Regional Health Commissions are not eligible to receive reimbursement of direct COVID-19 expenses.
3. "Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity" is a 2-year grant of federal monies, designated for 77 non-links eligible LHD to hire coordinators to identify vulnerable populations. Grant application ends 11/9/2020.
4. RWJ grant to examine NJ PH system and how it is structured and resourced; compares NJ infrastructure to other states. Multifaceted examination.

Treasurer's Report- Stephen Papenberg.

Balance as of September 30: \$9,827.73

Bills: \$ \$350 Carey
 \$150.00 1 yr. PO Box
 \$500.00 Debit Card for Carey
 \$100.00 NJ EMT Registry

Motioned for payment by John, 2nd by Jeremy and unanimously approved.

Other Business/Open Discussion:

Adjournment at 1:56 pm: Motioned by Steve John 2nd by, Laura and unanimously approved.

Minutes prepared by Christine Harris