

Pima County Board of Health
Minutes
October 23, 2013
Health Department Theresa Lee Clinic
332 S. Freeway
Tucson, Arizona 85747

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Gastelum called the meeting to order at 3:08 pm. Shortly thereafter Ms. Trowbridge joined the meeting and assumed the chair.

Mr. Schlueter called the roll as follows:

Mr. An
Mr. Elías - absent
Mr. Gastelum
Mr. Geoffrion
Ms. Gonzales
Dr. Horwitz - absent
Ms. McComb-Berger
Mr. Rojas - absent
Dr. Smith
Mr. Stopani - absent
Ms. Trowbridge

A quorum was established.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Gastelum led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. MINUTES ADOPTION

- Adopt Board of Health September 25, 2013 Minutes

The motion was made and seconded (McComb-Berger/Gonzales) that the September 25, 2013 Minutes be adopted as written. The motion carried 6-0.

- Nominating Committee Adopt Board of Health Nominating Committee September 25, 2013 Minutes

The motion was made and seconded (Gonzales/Trowbridge) that the September 25, 2013 Nominating Committee Minutes be adopted as written. The motion carried 7-0.

4. PIMA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FACILITIES

Health Department Deputy Director Marcy Flanagan utilized the attached PowerPoint presentation to brief the Board on what facilities the Health Department has. The lease on the North Office on First Avenue has a little over a year and a half left and the Department

hopes not to renew the lease and move to a different building in the general area. The East Office building (on Broadway) is made up of a number of suites that have separate doors off an open courtyard. The building is owned by the County. The Theresa Lee (T-Lee) Clinic is very old and needs to be replaced. One option being considered is to combine services from the T-Lee Clinic and South Office into one building. The Animal Care Center (on Silverbell) is continually experiencing crowded conditions due to the high volume of animals it handles. This issue also need to be addressed and may include the use of bond funding. Other facilities include the Centro Del Sur and Flowing Wells WIC/Food Plus Offices, and Green Valley, Ajo and Catalina Clinics. Referring to a zip code map, Health Department Director Francisco García discussed that a majority of the Department's clinical clients live relatively central and that this is a consideration in the deciding where clinics should be located.

5. PIMA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM

Case Manager Noel Valle for the Department's Family Planning Program went over the attached PowerPoint presentation to explain the Department's Family Planning Program. Nurse Supervisor Dina Pacheco-Gonzalez was also present and assisted with questions. The program is federally funded through Title X which was enacted in 1970. The Family Planning Program allows individuals and couples to plan their desired number of children and space their births. It is achieved through the use of contraceptive methods. Family planning consists of physical assessments, screenings for breast and cervical cancer, tests and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases and contraceptive counseling, education and supplies. Fees are associated with the services, but no one is turned away due to inability to pay. Pima County is one of only a few jurisdictions which provide family planning services to teens. Statistically an average of 26 teens become pregnant in Arizona every day. Data from 2011 places Arizona as the fifth highest state for teen pregnancies. In addition to office locations, services are also offered weekly at the Juvenile detention center and weekly, through a mobile clinic, to Sunnyside Unified School District high schools. During 2012 the Health Department's Family Planning Program served 6,534 unduplicated clients at 11,902 patient visits. The program's total funding for 2012 was \$1,664,697, \$846,536 of which was Title X funding.

6. PIMA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT EPIDEMIOLOGY PROGRAM PRESENTATION ON PERTUSSIS AND FLU

Health Department Deputy Director Marcy Flanagan introduced Epidemiology Program Manager Michael Acoba. Mr. Acoba and Epidemiologists Glenda Aguirre and Anissa Taylor went over the attached PowerPoint presentation. Surveillance methods were discussed including charts and maps. Also types of diseases investigated by the Department were covered. As of October 7 there have been 72 reported cases of pertussis in Pima County for 2013, while the yearly average for recent years is only 40 cases. Individuals 19 years old and younger make up 73 percent of the 72 cases; and all of the cases under ten years of age were unvaccinated. Currently Pima County has had four positive rapid tests for influenza for this season. The Health Department monitors local influenza activity for prevalence, trends and new strains. Influenza is not a reportable disease; however pediatric deaths are reportable. Pima County had no influenza pediatric deaths during the 2012-2013 season, but the State had four total.

7. BOARD OF HEALTH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

It was discussed that the fourth Wednesday in November is the day before Thanksgiving and the fourth Wednesday in December is Christmas. Through discussion it was established that December 11, 2013 would be the next regular Board meeting.

8. CALL TO AUDIENCE

There were no speakers from the audience.

9. SUMMATION OF ACTION ITEMS AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

Due to time constraints and the lack of action items, no summation was made.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m. Interested Board members were given a tour of the Theresa Lee Clinic after the meeting adjourned.