

Pima County Board of Health  
Minutes  
May 22, 2013  
Room 1108, Abrams Building  
3950 S. Country Club Road  
Tucson, Arizona 85714

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Dr. Horwitz called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

Mr. Schlueter called the roll as follows:

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

A quorum was established.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Gonzales led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. MINUTES ADOPTION

- Adopt Board of Health April 24, 2013 Minutes

The motion was made and seconded (Gastelum/Gonzales) that the April 24, 2013 Minutes be adopted as written. The motion carried 6-0.

4. PHYSICAL ACTIVITY IN PIMA COUNTY

Health Department Director Francisco García prefaced this discussion by saying physical activity will be a major Health Department priority over the next five years. Program Coordinator Donald Gates used the attached PowerPoint presentation to address the Board on this item. For adults the CDC recommends 150 minutes of physical activity per week and strength exercises twice a week. For children the CDC recommends 60 minutes of exercise every day and strength exercises three times a week. Only 62 percent of Pima County adults meet at least one of the CDC recommendations and only 45 percent of Pima County children reach CDC goals. In response to a question Dr. García indicated that physical activity is one of the issues he has started discussing with the Pima County Superintendent of Schools, Linda Arzoumanian.

5. PIMA COUNTY RIVER PARK ENHANCEMENT INITIATIVE – LOOP IMPACT STUDY

Assistant County Administrator Nanette Slusser showed a short video and utilized the attached PowerPoint presentation to inform the Board on The Loop, an extensive system of paths for non-motorized travel along Tucson metropolitan area waterways. When complete The Loop will have 131 miles of paths and will have cost over \$100 million. The Loop attracts businesses, encourages redevelopment, benefits tourism, promotes health and improves the environment. Every dollar invested to build The Loop yields over nine dollars of economic benefit to Pima County.

6. WELL WOMAN HEALTH CHECK PROGRAM

Health Department Director Francisco García began by saying he is proud of the very successful Well Woman Health Check program and introduced the program leadership, Clinical Services Division Manager Anne Davis and Program Manager - Senior Erica Smith. Ms. Davis introduced Program Coordinator Victoria Altamirano who went over the attached PowerPoint presentation. The program began services in Pima County in 1995 and provides breast and cervical cancer screening, diagnostic services and case management to low-income, uninsured and underinsured women. The program is funded primarily by the CDC and the State, and typically funding runs out before the end of the fiscal year. No County General Fund dollars are used. CDC program guidelines include a 60-day time limit from screening to diagnosis and from diagnosis to treatment. In Fiscal Year 2011-2012 the program served 1,690 clients and referred 654 for further diagnostics based on abnormal screenings. A total of 19 women were referred for breast cancer treatment and three for cervical cancer treatment.

7. COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Dr. García discussed how the Department needs to constantly be thinking and working at being more integrated and more service oriented. He pointed out that the community health assessment process was initiated by his predecessor in anticipation of working on accreditation. Dr. García introduced Program Manager - Senior Alan Bergen and Program Coordinator Montserrat Caballero who utilized the attached PowerPoint presentation to inform the board on the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP). Board members were provided with a copy of the CHIP 1.0 edition dated April 2013 (also attached). Mr. Bergen explained that the first half of the CHIP publication explains its development process and the second half is the plan itself. During the presentation Ms. Caballero stressed community and collaboration as key elements in this process. Approximately 60 members make up the Community Health Action Taskforce (CHAT), which has developed four CHIP priorities: healthy lifestyles, health literacy, access to care and health disparities. Dr. García stressed that these four priorities will be major points of focus for the Health Department over the next five to ten years. The presentation itemizes goals and objectives for the four priorities. In June the CHAT will meet and action groups will start meeting to determine how to operationalize the CHIP to meet and measure attainment of the individual goals and objectives. Additionally CHIP priorities will be integrated into the Health Department strategic plan.

8. BOARD OF HEALTH SUMMER SCHEDULE

Dr. Horwitz pointed out that the Board normally does not meet during one of the summer months and members present discussed their summer availability.

The motion was made and seconded (Horwitz/Smith) that the Board skip the normal June meeting with July 24, 2013 being the next regular meeting. The motion carried 6-0.

9. UPCOMING WEBINAR: BEATING THE HEAT: PREPARING FOR EXTREME HEAT EVENTS AT THE STATE AND LOCAL LEVEL

Ms. Trowbridge informed the Board about an American Public Health Association webinar, Beating the Heat: Preparing for Extreme Heat Events at the State and Local Level, which will be presented on May 23, 2013. The webinar features participation from the CDC, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and Minnesota Department of Health. Dr. García indicated that Health Department Public Health Emergency Preparedness staff will watch this webinar.

10. CALL TO AUDIENCE

There were no speakers from the audience.

11. SUMMATION OF ACTION ITEMS AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

Dr. Horwitz summarized items from the meeting. The only action items identified were:

- There will not be a June Board of Health meeting. The next meeting will be July 24.
- Interested parties may register for and watch the webinar on extreme heat.

Dr. García pointed out that the Board's meeting information packets included a handout from the American Lung Association. The handout provides answers to questions asked regarding the Youth Tobacco Control Effort agenda item from the last meeting.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m.