

WASHOE COUNTY DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

Members

Kitty Jung, Chair
Julia Ratti, Vice Chair
Neoma Jardon
Dr. George Hess
David Silverman
Dr. John Novak
Michael D. Brown

Thursday, May 28, 2015
1:00 p.m.

Washoe County Administration Complex
Health District South Conference Room
1001 East Ninth Street
Reno, NV

1. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

The following members and staff were present:

Members present: Julia Ratti, Vice Chair
Dr. George Hess
David Silverman
Dr. John Novak
Chief Mike Brown

Members absent: Kitty Jung, Chair
Neoma Jardon

Staff present: Kevin Dick, District Health Officer, ODHO
Leslie Admirand, Deputy District Attorney
Anna Heenan, Administrative Health Services Officer, AHS
Steve Kutz, Division Director, CCHS
Bob Sack, Division Director, EHS
Dave McNinch, Supervisor, EHS
Tony Macaluso, Supervisor, EHS
Dr. Randall Todd, Director, EPHP
Christina Conti, EMS Program Manager, EPHP
Phil Ulibarri, Public Information Officer, ODHO
Dawn Spinola, Administrative Secretary/Recording Secretary, ODHO

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Novak led the pledge to the flag.

3. Public Comment

Any person is invited to speak on any item on or off the agenda during this period. Action may not be taken on any matter raised during this public comment period until the matter is specifically listed on an agenda as an action item. Limited to three (3) minutes per person.

As there was no one wishing to speak, Acting Chair Ratti closed the public comment period.

4. Approval of Agenda May 28, 2015

Dr. Novak moved to approve the agenda for the May 28, 2015, District Board of Health meeting. Chief Brown seconded the motion which was approved five in favor and none against.

5. Approval of Draft Minutes April 23, 2015

Dr. Hess moved to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2015 District Board of Health regular meeting as written. Mr. Silverman seconded the motion which was approved five in favor and none against.

6. Recognitions

A. Years of Service

1. Cindy Hawks, 15 years, hired 5/1/2000 – EPHP

Mr. Dick congratulated and thanked Ms. Hawks.

B. Achievements

1. Phil Ulibarri, ODHO – Certified Communicator in Public Health

Mr. Dick congratulated Mr. Ulibarri and noted that only 27 people in the United States have earned that distinction.

2. Lynnie Shore and Sara Dinga - Nevada Silver Syringe Award for Innovation in Immunization

Ms. Dinga accepted the award for herself and Ms. Shore. Ms. Dinga thanked the fire chiefs in the room, acknowledging their participation in the private Points of Dispensing program.

3. Lisa Lottritz - 2015 Community Health Nurse of Achievement Award

Candy Hunter, prior supervisor in CCHS, reviewed a substantial list of reasons why she had felt Ms. Lottritz deserved the award and had nominated her for it.

Acting Chair Ratti noted that public/private partnerships had been reduced, out of necessity, during the recession. She opined the Health District (WCHD) would not be able to assist the community as well as it does without the partnerships, and does an extraordinary job of being

engaged in the community and maintaining partnerships to make a bigger impact.

7. Consent Items

Matters which the District Board of Health may consider in one motion. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

A. Air Quality Management Cases

Staff Representative: Charlene Albee

1. Recommendation to uphold citations not appealed to the Air Pollution Control Hearing Board

- a. Grand Sierra Resort & Casino – Case No. 1173, Citation No. 5442

B. Budget Amendments/Interlocal Agreements

1. Approval of Grant Agreement #A-00905415-0 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for total funding in the amount of \$686,693 for the period 10/1/14 through 9/30/15 for the Air Quality Management, EPA Air Pollution Control Program, IO 10019

Staff Representative: Erin Dixon

2. Approval of Grant Agreement PM-00T56401-0 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for funding in the amount of \$111,884 (\$59,050 available for drawdown) for the period 4/1/15 through 3/31/16 for the Air Quality Management, EPA Air Pollution Control Program, IO 10021

Staff Representative: Erin Dixon

3. Ratification of Interlocal Agreement between the Washoe County Health District and the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District to provide storage and emergency operation activation of the VoiceStar CMS-T300 Series Portable Changeable Message Sign and Highway Advisory Radio equipment for the period upon ratification through June 30, 2016 unless extended by the mutual agreement of the Parties; with automatic renewal for two successive one-year periods for a total of three years on the same terms unless either party gives the other written notice of nonrenewal at least 60 days prior to June 30 of each year; and if approved, authorize Chairman to execute the Interlocal Agreement

Staff Representative: Patsy Buxton

C. Acceptance of Washoe County, Nevada, Air Quality Trends Report (2005-2014)

Staff Representative: Charlene Albee

Dr. Novak moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Dr. Hess seconded the motion which was approved five in favor and none against.

8. Public Hearings

- A. Presentation, discussion and possible adoption of revisions to the Regulations of the Washoe County District Board of Health Governing Food Establishments with possible modifications to include, but not limited to, training provisions for Certified Food Protection Managers and possible direction to staff

Staff Representative: Dave McNinch

Mr. McNinch thanked staff member Amber English for her efforts in completing the revisions.

Mr. McNinch presented the staff report. He reiterated the Board had approved the Business Impact Statement for the proposed food regulations in April and had set May 28 as the public hearing date for possible adoption. He noted that there had been media reports earlier in the day referencing a section of the regulations which designate no bare-hand contact and clarified that was not a glove requirement. He pointed out the proposed Food Protection Manager (FPM) regulations did not require an on-line course.

Mr. Dick noted the change in the proposed regulations that did not incorporate a training requirement was an area that had been widely commented on. At the prior District Board of Health (DBOH) meeting, trainers certified in other counties had expressed frustration that they were not allowed to provide training for their own staff in Washoe County. Food service professionals had expressed the opinion that the training program was important.

Mr. Silverman had contacted Mr. Dick with his concerns and thoughts, and they had drafted the regulatory language which was displayed on the screen for review and passed out in hard copy to audience members. (Attached Exhibit A).

Mr. Silverman acknowledged the amount of work that had gone into the revisions and explained his involvement in the process. He opined that most of the revisions were acceptable but some had caused him concern. He agreed that training was very important and stated that eliminating it had never been a goal. One of the main objectives had been to provide training options.

Mr. Silverman noted the FPM certification exam was quite challenging and covered a number of subjects. He explained the proposed regulations allowed operations to have training that is specific to their organization. He stated he was an advocate of people attending the training programs as the trainers do a phenomenal job, and their role in the community would not change. Mr. Silverman went on to explain that staff had listened to the community and incorporated their input. The current level of food safety would be maintained.

Mr. Dick stated the intent of the proposed revision to the training segment of the regulations was to provide training for employees that are seeking the FPM certification for the first time. It would require the permit holder to prepare, document and implement a training plan of their own for those employees, or else have the employee complete a training program from an accredited certification organization.

Mr. Dick went on to explain that if an employee trained under the permit holder's training plan rather than completing a course does not pass the exam, the permit holder would be required to have the employee complete a training program from the accredited certification organization.

Mr. Dick noted the other requirement was in regards to the documentation of the food safety training plans. They would be maintained for a period of five years or for the period of a person's employment, whichever was shorter. It would include documentation of testing dates and completion of training if that is the course that is pursued. The documents would be available to a WCHD inspector upon request.

Mr. Silverman noted another concern had been the fact that certification elsewhere was not valid in Washoe County. That had also been addressed in the proposed update.

Acting Chair Ratti opened the public hearing and explained that each person wishing to speak would be given three minutes.

Tony Pastini opined online training was not as effective as classroom training and that some information provided by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) may have been misinterpreted. He felt the training program should be preserved and the changes did not benefit the community. He asked for an explanation as to why, in a television interview presented earlier in the day, he stated that it had been reported that this issue had been decided and was going into effect on July 1.

Acting Chair Ratti stated she would follow up on his question.

Pete Allen stated he had attended four information-gathering meetings presented by WCHD and thus far had not heard valid public health justification for abolishing the existing Food Service Manager education program. He acknowledged much of the proposed regulatory change does promote uniformity, but uniformity in food safety education does not equate to improvement of the existing requirement.

Robbin Rose reviewed the major points of an article she had written, which had just been presented to the Board members by the Secretary, (attached Exhibit B). It was published in 1993 and addressed the Certified Food Service Manager program in Washoe County which she had developed and implemented. She expressed concern that its integrity may be stripped and its effectiveness compromised.

Tracy Lerud stated she opposed the proposal surrounding the current food safety program, primarily citing changes in certification tracking. She expressed concern for the health and safety of the community because of reduced continuing education requirements.

Bryan Wagner opined the proposal was asking the Board to totally eliminate the food safety training requirements adopted by their predecessors. He requested they not adopt that portion of the regulations as they did not require any food safety training.

Dr. Hess opined the speakers may not understand the updated proposal and Acting Chair Ratti suggested the upcoming speakers incorporate that information into their comments if they wished to do so.

Mr. Wagner suggested the Board postpone the discussion and vote so people could review and comment on the proposed change. He opined some of the proposed items were unclear.

Alan Cook opined the new regulations were not an improvement to the current ones.

Vinnie Oakes suggested that a classroom learning opportunity was superior to other methods. He opined that simply passing a test does not prove a person is interested in food safety.

Helen Wierzbowski stated she was in favor of the changes. She opined the new proposal did not indicate that education was being eliminated. She pointed out the business owners were responsible for being sure their employees were properly certified and followed the rules at work.

Dave Preston explained he had been contacted by the head of the worldwide Army Commissary to provide food safety training, as internal efforts had not been entirely successful. He opined prevention was important.

Acting Chair Ratti thanked the audience for keeping a respectful discourse.

Sal Gray had submitted a request to speak but had already left the meeting.

Dana Moreland stated she had nothing to add.

Rich Pelton supported the updates as proposed. He explained that, despite his own certifications, education and experience, he was currently required to send his staff to outside training classes. He noted the Serve Safe certification system worked well and was recognized in most of the rest of the US. The new regulations accept Serve Safe, allowing him to be able to afford to certify more staff.

Lea Tauchen stated the Retail Association of Nevada (RAN) was in support of the regulations as written, including the addition. The uniformity of the regulations makes operational compliance easier. She noted the Association values the service the food safety trainers provide and encourage their members to utilize them if that is the most appropriate educational approach for their organization. RAN does support the flexibility the proposed regulations offer.

Tray Abney supported Ms. Tauchen's comments, adding that the new regulations were easy to understand, cost effective and efficient. The standardization made things easier for businesses located in multiple counties. He stated The Chamber appreciated the efforts and supported the changes.

John Roberts opined people would not achieve a high level of food safety awareness if they just took a test. He suggested the restaurant owners and operators be held responsible for being sure food was being handled safely.

Tim Whybrew felt the changes were good overall. He disagreed with the need for food safety training as his operation provided a higher level of training. He noted the effects and costs on the business when new staff, certified elsewhere, were required to go to a Washoe County certified training.

Acting Chair Ratti closed the public hearing. She suggested they initiate discussion with clarifying questions for staff.

Dr. Hess asked if staff would retain the policy of conducting one inspection per year. Mr. McNinch stated that was mandated by state law but they would inspect a facility as often as necessary if there are problems.

Chief Brown asked how the WCHD verified that each employee had a certification card. Mr. McNinch stated the District did not issue food handler cards; managers that pass the test are issued certificates. WCHD does maintain a database containing those records. Dr. Novak asked if the tracking would continue and Mr. McNinch stated it would not. Certifications would be validated at time of inspection. Recertification is required every five years.

Dr. Hess was not clear as to why the tracking would be discontinued. Mr. McNinch stated it was redundant and dynamic, as people come and go and certificates are achieved and not renewed. The businesses would be required to maintain the training and certification documentation and records.

Mr. Silverman noted one aspect that needed to be clarified was the tracking and enforcement of the process when an individual who did not pass the exam and was therefore required to attend training.

Acting Chair Ratti clarified that people had a broader range of training options, WCHD

was planning to stop tracking who has been trained, and certifications would be checked at time of inspection. Mr. McNinch stated that was correct. Acting Chair Ratti asked if it was standard procedure for the inspector to only check the certification of the manager working that day. Mr. McNinch stated that also was correct.

Mr. Macaluso explained the new regulations would require the certificates for all certified managers to be hanging in an area easily viewed by the public. Acting Chair Ratti asked if it was possible to catalog all of the certified managers when the inspector was on site. Mr. Macaluso opined that was not necessary as the national program issuing the certifications would track them all.

Acting Chair Ratti requested clarification regarding the comment made earlier about the television interviews which claimed the item had already been decided. Mr. Ulibarri stated he had conducted three television interviews earlier in the day and had made it clear that the decision regarding the regulations was up to the Board and they had the opportunity to vote on it during that meeting or to postpone.

Acting Chair Ratti asked if there was anything in the current regulations that prevents restaurants in Washoe County from using the food training programs that have been established. Mr. McNinch stated there was not.

Acting Chair Ratti asked if other counties had reciprocity with the WCHD program. Mr. McNinch explained certified individuals from other areas had two means of being certified in Washoe County. They could take the 16-hour approved course, or they can demonstrate that the course they took previously meets the curriculum requirements of WCHD regulations and ask for reciprocity. Mr. McNinch noted WCHD also has reciprocity agreements with some companies in town.

Dr. Hess asked how the results of the changes would be tested. He opined the food manager certification should continue to be tracked. Mr. Dick noted the proposed regulations closely mirrored what was being done across most of the country and the rest of the state. He explained the current certification tracking data base is not being utilized in conjunction with inspections on a day-to-day basis, so it was not adding any benefit.

Dr. Novak asked if the certification classes were required to be taken in a classroom setting. Mr. McNinch explained they were available online but were typically taken in a classroom.

Mr. Silverman thanked the members of the audience who had taken the time to come to the meeting and provide input. He expressed his appreciation that their efforts over the years had helped to keep the community safe.

Dr. Novak thanked Mr. Silverman and the staff for their hard work. He opined the new regulations allowed more flexibility and clarification. They were not meant to eliminate any education; it was being fortified through standards. They also allowed people to move from county to county without the need for recertification.

Chief Brown stated he appreciated the cross section of input from both sides. He opined the changes would be monitored and any necessary updates brought back to the Board.

Dr. Hess reiterated his concern with not tracking the certified food service managers. He suggested random additional inspections throughout the year to verify that the changes had not caused any problems.

Acting Chair Ratti thanked Mr. Silverman for getting involved, as he was the Board

member with the most background in this area. She thanked staff for their work as well. She went on to thank the audience on both sides and assured them that the Board had received sufficient amounts of information on the subject to make an informed decision. She noted the food safety program that had been in place was an excellent example of a successful public private partnership that made a difference in people's lives and thanked the founders.

Acting Chair Ratti went on to opine that times change, and that change included the way that adults learn. She noted research has suggested classroom training is not necessarily still superior to other training methods. She stated she was comfortable with being less directive about how the training is received.

Acting Chair Ratti stated she agreed with Dr. Hess about tracking. Without a list, there would be no way to conduct random sampling and testing. She suggested the tracking method be changed and tested for a year. One of the site visit tasks would be to collect a list of everyone working there that is a certified food manager and how they were certified.

Acting Chair Ratti stated for the record that she supported the recommendations as presented with the amendments presented by Mr. Silverman and with a method to track the certified managers and that staff return at a point to be designated in the future with an implementation plan.

Mr. Silverman moved to accept the proposed amendments to the regulations to include the modifications presented during the meeting. Dr. Novak seconded the motion.

Acting Chair Ratti proposed the motioner and second include an amendment to ask staff for a methodology to track certified managers at least for the first year and to return to the Board with an implementation plan.

Mr. Silverman accepted the amendment to the motion.

Acting Chair Ratti clarified the motion on the table was to accept the changes as recommended, including the modification presented during the meeting, as well as tracking food managers and bringing back an implementation plan.

Mr. Silverman and Dr. Novak indicated the motion as stated was acceptable. The motion passed five in favor and none against.

9. Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority
Presented by Jim Gubbels

A. Review and Acceptance of the REMSA Operations Reports for April, 2015

Mr. Gubbels reported for the month Priority One compliance in Zone A was 91 percent. For Priority One Zones B, C and D, it was 97 percent. Year-to-date average for Priority One Zone A was 92 percent. For Priority One Zones B, C and D, it was 98 percent.

Average Priority One response time in minutes was 5:30 for Reno, 6:19 for Sparks and 9:30 for Washoe County. Average Priority Two response time in minutes was 6:02 for Reno, 7:16 for Sparks and 9:51 for Washoe County.

Year-to-date average for Priority One response was 5:19 for Reno, 6:04 for Sparks and 9:30 for Washoe County. Year-to-date average for Priority Two was 6:01 for Reno, 6:50 for Sparks and 9:55 for Washoe County.

Average bill for March was \$1,080, bringing the year-to-date total to \$1,072.

There were nine time edits and two upgrades.

Dr. Novak moved to accept the report as presented. Dr. Hess seconded the motion which was approved five in favor and none against.

*2. Update of REMSA's Community Activities during April, 2015.

Mr. Gubbels pointed out a copy of the accreditation of the Nurse Help Line had been included in the Board packet. He reiterated it had been the first such accreditation in the world.

Mr. Gubbels also noted an article from USA Today about REMSA's Community Health Program. The article had been republished in Kaiser Health News and the World Health News.

10. Presentations on the utilization of System Status Management in an EMS system and REMSA's staffing model for the months June – September 2015

Staff Representative: Christina Conti

Ms. Conti introduced Steve Tafoya, manager of the EMS program with Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health.

Mr. Tafoya explained he was the regulatory authority for the State and oversees 63 EMS agencies. He provided a Power Point presentation (Attachment C) that gave an overview of how System Status Management (SSM) works.

Kevin Romero, REMSA, provided a presentation explaining their system demand analysis process (Attachment D). It compares the data gathered the previous year during the same time period and integrates snapshots of higher-growth areas. REMSA analyzes the data to establish staffing levels.

Mr. Romero reported that one of the growth areas that required additional coverage was in the Wingfield/Spanish Springs area. Regional Ambulance Services Incorporated (RASI) was granted an additional 144 unit hours by REMSA. The unit hours were divided between two locations, some in a fixed-post station in Spanish Springs and some into the Emergency Management System (EMS).

Mr. Romero displayed graphs demonstrating the ratio of average number of calls each day by hour and the number of units available to respond. He explained their surge capacity and how they handle anomalies in the data.

Chief Brown asked if they tracked units not available for response and Mr. Romero stated they did. He explained it was very rare that REMSA did not have an ambulance available to respond to a life-threatening emergency. They utilize a reprioritization system so can pull units off of a non-life-threatening call if necessary.

Acting Chair Ratti asked how often there is not an ambulance immediately available for a life-threatening emergency. Chief Brown noted the citizen dialing 911 does not distinguish between Priority 1 (P1) and Priority 3 (P3) calls; it is an emergency to them. He asked how Priority 2 (P2) and P3 calls were handled and Mr. Romero replied they were handled through the Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) process, which categorizes the severity level of the call.

Acting Chair Ratti reiterated she was interested in the data, to include P1, P2 and P3 calls. Mr. Romero stated they could provide that.

Dr. Novak identified times it appeared that REMSA did not have enough ambulance staffing and Kevin Romero explained that they had included in the report demand that was a result of call anomalies they had identified during the previous 20 week period.

Acting Chair Ratti asked if it was fair to say that higher density areas received lower response times. Mr. Romero noted variables occur that can delay response, but on average the response times should be within an average. More remote areas experience a slower response time.

Acting Chair Ratti asked how they can be sure they, as government agencies, are meeting a standard that is appropriate for the community with such a complex system. Mr. Tafoya explained the proper response plans were driven by each county's needs. The data drives the system. The State's investigations are complaint-based and they conduct regulatory activities. He noted all agencies in the Washoe County area, including the Tribe, were in good standing.

Dr. Hess moved to accept the report. Chief Brown seconded the motion which passed five in favor and none against.

11. Presentation, discussion and possible approval of the Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority (REMSA) Compliance Checklist, which will be used to determine REMSA's Franchise compliance with the Amended and Restated Franchise Agreement for Ambulance Service

Staff Representative: Brittany Dayton

Ms. Dayton explained that in January she had presented the Fiscal Year 13/14 Franchise Compliance Report which the Board had approved. Significant discussion had occurred regarding auditable and non-auditable items. In light of the new franchise and the upcoming Fiscal Year 14/15 report, EMS staff prepared a checklist.

Acting Chair Ratti asked if the current checklist was different than the one that had been presented to the Board in April. Ms. Dayton explained she would walk through the list and highlight the changed items.

In April, Vice Chair Ratti had recommended EMS staff meet with all the regional stakeholders to discuss the list. That had since occurred and their feedback and input had been incorporated into the current version.

Ms. Dayton reviewed the changes. The first request came from Truckee Meadows Regional Fire Protection District (TMFPD) and was to 2.1.b., adding and/or to the statement regarding mutual aid. The second came from Sparks and was to 2.7.c., confirming that the jurisdictions received their supply reimbursements. The third was suggested by TMFPD to 2.8.c., requesting REMSA disclose any grant funding for ground ambulance services. The final change was to 9.4. requested by TMFPD, asked that REMSA keep the certificates of completion of Incident Command System (ICS) training for their staff on file.

Ms. Dayton noted staff had met with Reno after the Board packet submission date, so their suggestions were not included. The discussion had included requests for more documentation for staffing and number of ambulances, and including information about the number of times that REMSA goes Status Six, which is more calls pending than ambulances

available. It was suggested that information be included under Section 7.4.

Acting Chair Ratti noted a discussion in which it had been disclosed some Sparks recommendations had not been included. She asked Ms. Conti to clarify how they decided which to include and which not to. Ms. Conti replied Sparks' recommendations had a firm date attached and staff was unable to properly address those prior to the Board meeting. 5.1.b., 5.2.d. and 6.1.a. would be addressed by the strategic plan, so were not included with a time certain.

Ms. Conti reiterated the requests from Reno came in after the document submittal date for the Board packet. Washoe County EMS program staff (WCEMS) had not yet had the opportunity to vet the requests to be sure they are part of the franchise agreement and could become part of the compliance document.

Acting Chair Ratti asked Ms. Conti if it was her opinion that the items that had been added aligned with the franchise. Ms. Conti stated the decision that the items were in alignment had been made with in partnership with the requesting jurisdiction.

Dr. Hess complemented WCEMS on the document.

Mr. Gubbels noted REMSA had had the opportunity to review the document with WCEMS and opined that the list in its current form does meet the requirements of the franchise and REMSA can meet the requirements on the list.

Acting Chair Ratti suggested approving the checklist with the exception of 5.1.b., 5.2.d. and 6.1.a, and asking the EMS Advisory Board to work with REMSA on some milestones that could be included in the checklist that would demonstrate specific progress.

Ms. Conti clarified the checklist was for July 1 to June, so any actions taken now would be for the past fiscal year's compliance. Acting Chair Ratti stated she understood.

Acting Chair Ratti clarified the changes would build a good process for this year and for the next year, so that the process is as strong as it can be. Being clear now will avert discussions in December about whether or not we are compliant with the franchise agreement.

Chief Brown agreed and stated he would like to see Reno's comments incorporated.

Acting Chair Ratti noted it would be an iterative process since there was still time. Mr. Dick explained they had until the end of June for REMSA reporting. Ms. Conti recommended the checklist be approved at this meeting or in June so it matches the fiscal year being reviewed.

Acting Chair Ratti moved to approve the Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority Compliance Checklist, which will be used to determine REMSA's franchise compliance with the Amended and Restated Franchise Agreement for Ambulance Service, with the exception of Items 5.1.b., 5.2.d. and 6.1.a., with a request to the EMS Advisory Board to work with REMSA on milestones and a plan for achieving those and including the outcome in the checklist, and with the direction to staff to work with Reno to include their input and bring that back to the Board in June, making sure that REMSA has the opportunity to review it prior to that meeting. Chief Brown seconded the motion which was approved five in favor and none against.

12 Acknowledge receipt of the Health District Fund Financial Review for April Fiscal Year 2015

Staff Representative: Anna Heenan

Ms. Heenan reviewed the highlights of the report.

Dr. Novak asked if funds would last through the end of the fiscal year and Ms. Heenan stated the District would be coming in under budget.

Mr. Dick noted the Board of County Commissioners had adopted their budget which included the Health District budget. He noted the labor contract negotiations were ongoing.

Chief Brown moved to acknowledge receipt of the report. Dr. Novak seconded the motion which was approved five in favor and none against.

At 4:00 p.m., Acting Chair Ratti announced that she needed to leave. Chief Brown was designated Acting Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

13. Presentation, Discussion and Possible Acceptance of the May 2015 Nevada Legislative Session Report and Discussion and direction to staff regarding legislation or legislative issues as may be deemed by the Chair or the Board to be of critical significance to Washoe County Health District

Staff Representative: Kevin Dick

Mr. Dick introduced the report and supporting information. The pickle bill (SB441) had been enrolled and delivered to the Governor. Regarding AB146 and AB326, the smog check and classic vehicle bills, there was an amendment offered, but not yet acted upon, that would change the smog check bill to designate it be sent to the Advisory Committee on Emissions Control of Motor Vehicles (I&M Committee). The Committee would provide proposals for changes to the smog check program to be considered by the Legislature. Those proposals would be presented by June 30, 2016.

Mr. Dick went on to explain the I&M Committee was made up of the WC Air Quality division, Nevada Department of Environmental Protection's air quality program, Clark County's air quality program, the Nevada State Department of Motor Vehicles and Nevada State Department of Agriculture also, for the fuels component. Staff believes that is a good resolution, and presumes that if it's going to move out of Ways and Means, it will be with that amendment added.

Mr. Dick explained the Classic Vehicle bill, AB326, will be changed to put a cap on classic vehicles being exempt from the smog check requirement. Currently it is a 20-year rolling age period for entry into that classic vehicle exemption. The proposal regulates that will be capped at 1995 and there will be a two-year moratorium to get an exemption through that program. Those are both good outcomes for Washoe County on those bills.

Dr. Novak moved to accept the May 2015 Nevada legislative session report. Dr. Hess seconded the motion, which was approved four in favor and none against.

14. Staff Reports and Program Updates

A. Air Quality Management, Charlene Albee, Director
Program Update, Divisional Update, Program Reports

Ms. Albee informed the Board that a member of the Air Pollution Control Hearing Board has submitted his request to not be reappointed. Air Quality will be actively recruiting for a new member. Additionally the remainder of the positions on that Board will be coming up for reappointment or recruitment through the spring of 2016.

Dr. Hess asked if Washoe County was in grave danger of being in trouble due to more stringent air quality standards. Ms. Albee stated the County was currently in grave danger of going into non-attainment. The ozone standard as proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposed to be between 65 and 70 parts per billion (ppb). It is currently at 75, so they are lowering the allowable standard to be in attainment. Washoe County's current design value is 69 ppb. If the air quality does go into non-attainment then staff will be coming back to the Board with additional control measures. The EPA will announce the new standard on October 1, so staff will have no solid knowledge about what will happen until that point in time. This puts an emphasis on why things like the smog check program is so critical.

B. Community and Clinical Health Services, Steve Kutz, Director
Program Report – Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month, Divisional Update, Program Reports

Mr. Kutz stated he had nothing to add but would be happy to answer any questions.

C. Environmental Health Services, Bob Sack, Director
EHS Division Update, Program Updates - Food, IBD, Land Development, Vector-Borne Disease, Waste Management, EHS Inspections / Permits / Plan Review

Mr. Sack stated he appreciated the Board's support of the food regulations and commended all of his staff that had worked on them.

Dr. Novak requested Mr. Sack express that sentiment to his staff from the Board.

D. Epidemiology and Public Health Preparedness, Dr. Randall Todd, Director
Program Updates for Communicable Disease, Public Health Preparedness, and Emergency Medical Services

Dr. Todd stated he had nothing to add but was available to answer questions.

E. Office of the District Health Officer, Kevin Dick, District Health Officer
District Health Officer Report – Budget, Legislature, Community Health Improvement Plan, Truckee Meadows Healthy Communities, Quality Improvement, Style Guide, Policy and Procedure Update, Other Events and Activities and Health District Media Contacts

Mr. Dick noted the Community Health Improvement Plan process had begun. He acknowledged Commissioner Lucey, who had provided \$13,122 from his Commissioner funds to support the Truckee Meadows Healthy Communities initiative and the 89502 project activities. He noted the EMSAB was scheduled to meet on June 4 at 9:00.

15. Board Comment

Limited to announcements or issues for future agendas.

16. Emergency Items

None.

17. Public Comment

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As there was no one wishing to speak, Acting Chair Brown closed the public comment period.

18. Adjournment

At 4:10 p.m., Dr. Novak moved to adjourn. Dr. Hess seconded the motion which was approved four in favor and none against.

Respectfully submitted,



Kevin Dick, District Health Officer
Secretary to the District Board of Health



Dawn Spinola, Administrative Secretary
Recording Secretary

Approved by Board in session on June 25, 2015.