**Board Meeting Minutes |December 19th, 2022 | 10:00 am | Union County Health Department and Zoom**

1. **Call to Order – Steve Ruckman**
2. **Acceptance of Agenda**

Motion by: Sarah Burkholder Seconded: Mary Beth Brown

1. **Legislative Update**
	1. SB 338 Update – Tony
		1. Passed Senate 31-0
		2. Hearing in House State and Local Government Committee
			1. Testimony from Steve Ruckman OEHA, Chad Brown AOHC, Ohio Restaurants Association, Grocery Association, Health Departments and REHS from around the state submitting testimony.
			2. House State and Local Government Committee held another hearing on SB 278
				1. This bill was loaded up with several amendments to other Bills.

One of those was SB 338 – passed House State and Local Government Committee and the house floor by a vote of 71-2.

The conference committee will need to agree on both versions of the bill before it can go to the Governor for signature, keep in mind that we are in lame duck session. As a result of other amendments proposed in this Bill our food survey language was moved to HB 507. Passed the Senate 22-7.

On December 13th the House concurred on HB 507 by a vote of 59-33.

On way to the Governor’s desk for signature

* + 1. Thank you to OEHA, Ohio Restaurant Association and others that provided proponent testimony.
	1. Splash Pad – Eric
		1. HB 178 passed Senate vote of 30-0, headed to the Governor’s desk for signature
	2. HB 513 – Eric
		1. Originally intended to create a refund on an excise tax on cigarettes. Amended in Senate to prevent the prohibition of sales by local municipalities on flavored tobacco products. Passed Senate 23-8, House concurred to Senate amendments
	3. HB 45 – Eric
		1. Appropriated an additional 150 million for Lead Prevention, 20 million earmarked through the Department of Development to be used in collaboration with the Department of Health distributing out 20 million to local projects.
	4. Additional Legislative Updates – Hicks Partners
		1. In 2020 nomination was needed for the sewage treatments systems technical advisory committee (see section c. under New Business
	5. OPHAB - Garrett Guillozet
		1. Rule updates are starting to move along quicker
		2. Updating by-laws in January
		3. Hospital rules – Ohio last to license hospitals, rules should be forthcoming in February.
		4. Lead rules were not recommended for approval by OPHAB – which changed the definition of lead poisoning and elevated blood lead levels. Not consistent with CDC language.
1. **Secretary’s Report and Approval of November Minutes –** Jeff Gibbs

Motion by: Mary Beth Brown Seconded: Sarah Burkholder

1. **Administrative Aide’s Report –** Vicki Johnson

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| **2022 MEMBERSHIPS** | **NORTHEAST** | **SOUTHWEST** | **SOUTHEAST** | **NORTHWEST** | **TOTAL** |
| ACTIVE | 137 | ( | 31 | ) | 126 | ( | 41 | ) | 95 | ( | 30 | ) | 82 | ( | 16 | ) | 440 | ( | 118 | ) |
| STUDENT | 2 | ( | 2 | ) | 1 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 3 | ( | 2 | ) |
| SPECIAL | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) |
| SUSTAINING | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 1 | ( | 1 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 1 | ( | 1 | ) |
| LIFE | 23 | ( | 0 | ) | 14 | ( | 0 | ) | 24 | ( | 0 | ) | 8 | ( | 0 | ) | 69 | ( | 0 | ) |
| **TOTAL 2022** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **MEMBERSHIP** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **TO DATE** | **162** | ( | **33** | ) | **142** | ( | **42** | ) | **119** | ( | **30** | ) | **90** | ( | **16** | ) | **513** | ( | **121** | ) |

NUMBERS IN PARENTHESES ARE NEW MEMBERS IN 2022

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| **2023 MEMBERSHIPS** | **NORTHEAST** | **SOUTHWEST** | **SOUTHEAST** | **NORTHWEST** | **TOTAL** |
| ACTIVE | 66 | ( | 35 | ) | 44 | ( | 19 | ) | 20 | ( | 10 | ) | 38 | ( | 11 | ) | 168 | ( | 75 | ) |
| STUDENT | 1 | ( | 1 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 1 | ( | 1 | ) |
| SUSTAINING | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 1 | ( | 1 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 1 | ( | 1 | ) |

NUMBERS IN PARENTHESES ARE NEW MEMBERS IN 2023

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 16, 2021

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| **2021 MEMBERSHIPS** | **NORTHEAST** | **SOUTHWEST** | **SOUTHEAST** | **NORTHWEST** | **TOTAL** |
| ACTIVE | 129 | ( | 14 | ) | 74 | ( | 4 | ) | 70 | ( | 11 | ) | 64 | ( | 4 | ) | 337 | ( | 33 | ) |
| STUDENT | 2 | ( | 2 | ) | 2 | ( | 2 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 4 | ( | 4 | ) |
| SPECIAL | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) |
| SUSTAINING | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 1 | ( | 1 | ) | 1 | ( | 1 | ) |
| LIFE | 24 | ( | 0 | ) | 11 | ( | 0 | ) | 21 | ( | 0 | ) | 8 | ( | 0 | ) | 64 | ( | 0 | ) |
| **TOTAL 2021** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **MEMBERSHIP** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **TO DATE** | **155** | ( | **16** | ) | **87** | ( | **6** | ) | **91** | ( | **11** | ) | **73** | ( | **5** | ) | **406** | ( | **38** | ) |

NUMBERS IN PARENTHESES ARE NEW MEMBERS IN 2021

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| **2022 MEMBERSHIPS** | **NORTHEAST** | **SOUTHWEST** | **SOUTHEAST** | **NORTHWEST** | **TOTAL** |
| ACTIVE | 13 | ( | 9 | ) | 23 | ( | 15 | ) | 3 | ( | 1 | ) | 14 | ( | 8 | ) | 53 | ( | 33 | ) |
| STUDENT | 1 | ( | 1 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 0 | ( | 0 | ) | 1 | ( | 1 | ) |

NUMBERS IN PARENTHESES ARE NEW MEMBERS IN 2022

1. **Old Business**
	1. Approval of the 2023-2024 OEHA Budget
		1. Proposal to adjust the Budget to send two delegates to NEHA totaling $4500
			1. Motion to approve: Carrie Yeager Second: Elizabeth Dewitt
		2. Proposal to authorize exhibitor fee increase for Gold $2000, Silver $800, Bronze $400, Fall sponsor $300, Non-Profit $200
			1. Motion to approve: Carrie Yeager Second: Adam Schultz
	2. Professional Development Committee Report – Carrie Yeager
		1. Working with Eric Zgodzinski to get a grant through the Ohio Department of Health.
		2. Activities identified are:
			1. Leadership training class
			2. Field training experience
				1. Water & sewer treatment plants, landfills. Areas of public health that REHSIT’s may not experience that are on the exam.
			3. Offering more REHSIT courses
			4. Looking at technology via social media
			5. Increase diversity by reaching out to academia
2. **New Business**
	1. Approval of Revisions to the Policy and Procedure Manual
		1. Clean up of wording under the Administrative Aide duties and procedures.
			1. Deleted that keeps the mailing list of the association up to date, now done via our website
			2. Keeps the record of card of all members including their address, also done via our website
			3. Forwards money to the treasures for deposit, Admin Aid does this now
			4. Sends out journals to the members, no longer send out a paper copy of the journal
			5. Maintains mailing requirements, no longer necessary
			6. Sends out field guides which no longer exists. Looking to move this to the Professional Development committee to review and provide an electronic version
			7. Delete room arrangement, banquet ticket sales
			8. Distributes copies of the Policy and Procedure manual
				1. Motion to approve: Eric Zgodzinski Second: Carrie Yeager
	2. Thoughts on Legislative Priorities for 2023
		1. Steve is asking new district directors and board members to think about new priorities for 2023
			1. Carrie mentioned Body Art rules related to plan reviews fees causing annual license fee increasing
	3. TAC Committee Appointment Recommendation to Eric Cherry as OEHA representative
		1. Motion to approve: Eric Zgodzinski Second: Carrie Yeager
	4. Hick’s Partners Contract 2023
		1. There has not been an increase in our contract since 2018/19
		2. Proposed increase of $500/month which brings it to $2500/month
			1. Discussion related to asking for a small increase in membership dues,
			2. Consider costs of another lobbyist to share with OEHA members
			3. Propose $250/month increase next year and $250/month increase the following year
		3. Motion to approve the proposal of $250/month next year and $250/month increase the following year and if that is not acceptable Steve could proceed with authorizing the $500/month increase
			1. Motion by: Mary Beth Brown Second: Jeff Gibbs
	5. Welcome incoming District Directors:

Northeast – Laura Fauss - Columbiana County

Northwest – Molly Brownell - Erie County

Southeast – Sarah Badenhop – City of Columbus Health

Southwest – Ryan Peltier – Butler County

1. **President’s Report – Steve Ruckman**
	1. Thank you to past presidents that testified in support of SB 338, 278, 507, (Eric, Chad, and Garrett)
	2. Steve received a concerning letter from an OEHA member, which Steve drafted a reply to answer all their questions and concerns related to all three bills
	3. Steve is dedicated to updating our communication via the website
2. **Vice President’s Report – Matt Tyler**
	1. Planning committee is done with the AEC agenda
	2. Waiting on some speaker forms to be returned
	3. Goal is to send the welcome letter, registration form and the agenda before the January Board meeting
	4. Looking to purchase the 5th edition of the NEHA guides for the REHSIT course
3. **Treasurer’s Report – Eric Zgodzinski**
	1. Working with Huntington Bank related to the George Eagle Scholarship fund
	2. Need to get a district a token to access online accounts
	3. Looking into setting up a Venmo account
	4. Eric would like to ask for backup to treasurer to learn the process and role
4. **District Directors Reports**
	1. Northeast – Rebecca Jewell
		1. Numbers were great for attendance in the Fall
		2. Process of reviewing the 2023 contract at the Hilton Garden Inn
		3. Thank you everyone, really enjoyed working with everyone this year
	2. Northwest – Adam Schultz
		1. Great conference, up on attendance
		2. Continue to have conference at Kalahari
	3. Southeast – MaryBeth Brown
		1. Great conference, a lot of good feedback on the speakers
		2. Continue to use Ohio University Inn
	4. Southwest – Elizabeth Dewitt
		1. Great conference, good turnout on attendees, good feedback on presenters
		2. Continue to use Sinclair
5. **Next Board Meeting: January 19th, 2023**