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Board Meeting Agenda | January 19, 2023 | 10:00 am | Union County Health Department and Zoom

- 1) Call to Order Steve Ruckman
- 2) Acceptance of Agenda

Motion by: Eric Zgodzinski Seconded: Matt Tyler

3) Legislative Update – Tony & Eric

- a) HB 507 (SB 338) Review
 - i) Long journey through the lame duck process to get to the finish line with SB 338.
 - ii) The bill was later moved to SB 278 but due to making the sugar cookie the state cookie it created a problem with our bill, so it was then moved to HB 507.
 - iii) Bill landed on Governor's desk on December 29th.
 - iv) Finally signed in law on January 6th.
 - v) Takes effect 90 days from January 6th, which will be April 7th.
 - vi) ODH & ODA have 120 days to develop the electronic or written assessment for REHS for the food survey process. This must be in consultation with OEHA and AOHC. There is language that states that ODH & ODA can do a field portion for training purposes only and will not be for an assessment of your food knowledge.
 - vii) Tony wanted to acknowledge the support and partnership from the Ohio Grocery Association, Ohio Restaurant.
- b) Additional Legislative Updates and Legislative Priorities Hicks Partners
 - i) Start thinking about what we would like to see during this general assembly.
 - (1) Possibly look at advisory boards such as OPHAB and REHS Advisory Board.
 - (2) Looking to clearly identify what our objective or goals would be related to updating the advisory boards (a) There are two statutory sections for the public health advisory board 3701.33 & 3701.34
 - (3) Body Art
 - (4) Swimming Pool Model Aquatic Code
 - (5) Long term fix for cost methodology
 - (6) Steve is requesting that you reach out to him to discuss additional legislative priorities. He will compile a list.
- c) OPHAB Garrett Guillozet
 - i) Next meeting is January 20th to discuss the following:
 - (1) Physicians loan repayment programs.
 - (2) Waiting on ODH to respond to the rules that they did not recommend related to the blood lead levels. Anticipate having those changes at the January 20th meeting.
 - (3) Updating by-laws around public comment and participation.

4) Secretary's Report and Approval of December Minutes – Jeff Gibbs

Motion by: Sarah Badenhop Seconded: Matt Tyler

5) Administrative Aide's Report – Vicki Johnson

- a) 227 members with 78 of these being new members through January
- b) Life memberships looks low
 - i) Request the board to allow Vicki to auto renew their membership without them reaching out to Vicki to be renewed. Discussed by the board and all ok with Vicki doing this automatically.

6) Old Business

- a) TAC Committee Appointment Recommendation
 - i) Eric Cherry recommendation was approved by the speaker of the house.
- b) Hick's Partners Contract 2023 update
 - i) Agree to do a step increase with contract
- c) Professional Development / Membership Committee Report Carrie Yeager
 - i) By-Laws update change in membership fee (Health Department Membership)
 - ii) This committee has been tasked with updating the by-laws to reflect a change in membership fee of \$10 dollars. A vote by the membership will be needed to make this change. We will be asking for a vote at the fall conferences (by-law language will need to be in the summer issue of the Journal and we will need 10 members to ask for the change.) Carrie will work with Ken Sharkey on the by-law change wording. Steve will ask Chad Brown for additional information on how AOHC does "Health Department Membership". Carrie will send a short survey to the group about how to make the fee change.

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- iii) Field Guide This committee has also been tasked with updating the OEHA Environmental Health Field Reference Guide. The last update was in 1999. Mary Beth has a copy and will scan it and send it to Carrie. (No electronic copy exists) Will need volunteers for this sub-committee. Please let Carrie know if you would like to work on the field guide.
- iv) OPHA Arielle from OPHA has reached out about working with OEHA on how to promote EH as there is a lack of public health EH professionals in Ohio. She has reached out to the district directors and Steve Ruckman. I will get in touch with her about attending our February meeting to see how we can work together. She has offered to be a speaker at conferences.
- v) Kent State University Kent State has reached out to us about helping with the leadership class and also speaking at conferences on leadership. Kent State is wanting to help provide scholarships for members to obtain scholarship money to go through the MPH program. Carrie will invite Rob Kollin to our February meeting to discuss this partnership. We can also reach out to the other Ohio MPH programs to see if they would like to be a part of our meetings and help provide some speakers for conferences/leadership classes.
- vi) Leadership Class We will move forward with hosting a leadership class this summer. Carrie will get with Adam at Union County for some possible dates (2 days 1 month apart)

 Carrie will ask Luke to set up a survey monkey to send out to membership and EH Directors/Health Commissioners about possible topics they would like to see. Carrie will ask Tyler Pigman for information from the previous leadership class. Suzanne suggested that we open the class up to non-members but increase the non-member fee by the cost of the membership just like conferences (all on the call agreed). Start thinking of possible speakers.
- vii) Ideas/Issues from Group
 - (1) Scholarship for Memberships An idea was brought to the group for how to raise money to help pay for membership dues for those who cannot afford a membership and the health department will not pay for membership. The topic of an "extra" raffle at the conferences was brough at up that would be separate from the George Eagle Raffle and would be 1 or 2 "big" ticket items at each of the conferences (the big items could be Concert Tickets, liquor basket, TV, etc.) This "membership" Scholarship could be an extension of the Larry Holbert Scholarship that was started after Larry passed away.

7) New Business

- a) Southeast District Membership Award Name Recognition
 - i) LeeAnn Wilson recently passed away and there has been discussion in the Southeast District to rename their membership award to the LeeAnn Wilson Southeast District Award.
 - (1) LeeAnn was a longtime member of OEHA and the heart and soul of the SEOEHA district. She played an active role on the planning committee and as the Treasurer.

Motion by: Eric Zgodzinski Second: Sarah Badenhop

- b) State of Ohio Budget Review
- c) Audit Committee Meeting Scheduling and Tax Report
 - i) See Eric's Treasurer report

8) President's Report – Steve Ruckman

- a) December and January very exciting months, the passing of the food survey bill was very important to OEHA.
- b) Legislator of the year Senator George Lang
 - i) Motion by: Eric Zgodzinski Second: Matt Tyler

9) Vice President's Report – Matt Tyler

- a) Update on AEC
 - i) Sent out DRAFT agenda, welcome letter, registration form, website has been updated.
 - ii) Wafting on info related to Top Golf
 - iii) Overall theme is Environmental Health Experience
 - (1) Looking for speakers to add in experiences learned, stories, anecdotes
 - (2) Second day has leadership theme
 - (a) Sarah Worthington from Toledo working on three sessions around leadership along with Kent State
 - iv) DRAFT agenda for the REHSIT is set as well
 - v) Working on vice president's duties to pass on to the next person

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10) Treasurer's Report – Eric Zgodzinski

- a) Preparing for Tax Submittal
- b) Preparing for the February Audit, has 3 of the 4 district treasurer spreadsheets
- c) Still working on issues with e-banking related to tokens and quicken
- d) Urge district directors to look at your spending and income while planning the conferences
- e) Ordered 20 REHSIT Study Guides (5th Edition) totaling \$2958.552

11) District Directors Reports

- a) Northeast Laura Fauss
 - i) Signed contract with Hilton Gardens, held prices the same from previous year
 - ii) 4 to 5 new planning committee members
- b) Northwest Molly Brownell
 - i) Returning to Kalahari on Oct 5 & 6 for Fall Conference
 - ii) Looking forward to welcoming 7 new planning committee members
 - iii) Meeting for the first time on February 7th
- c) Southeast Sarah Badenhop
 - i) Returning to Ohio University at the University Inn
- d) Southwest Ryan Peltier
 - i) Conference to be held at Sinclair on Oct 5 & 6
 - ii) First meeting is Friday
 - iii) 3-4 confirmed speakers, handful of tentative speakers

12) Next Board Meeting: February 16th, 2023

a) Motion by: Eric Zgodzinski second: Matt Tyler