



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

BOARD OF HEALTH

*Ruthie Burich-Weatherly, Caroline Gomez-Tom, Bria Grant,
Ald. Chantia Lewis, Dr. Ian Martin, Julia Means, LaNelle
Ramey, Ericka Sinclair, and Wujie Zhang*

Thursday, April 1, 2021

5:30 PM

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1. Call to order

2. Roll call

Present: Ruthie Burich-Weatherly, Caroline Gomez-Tom, Ald. Chantia Lewis, Julia Means, LaNelle Ramey, Dr. Ian Martin, Wujie Zhang

Absent: Bria Grant, Ericka Sinclair

3. Approval of meeting minutes from March 2021

Board Member Ramey motioned, Dr. Martin second, motion passed with none opposed.

4. **Communication from MHD Health Commissioner, Kirsten Johnson.**
 - a. **Communication**
 - b. **Vaccine updates**
 - c. **Questions**

210143 Communication relating to those documents submitted to the Board of Health for its meetings in 2021.

As statewide eligibility expands to all adults 16 & older as of April 5, MHD's clinic at the Wisconsin Center will receive additional federal support as a Federally Supported Community Vaccination Center, and MHD will continue to operate mobile clinics in priority areas based on SVI and in partnership with community organizations.

5. **Discussion of DHS 140 certification**
 - a. **Updates, communications update and timeline**
 - b. **Questions**

MHD sent a response letter to DHS and have had conversations with DHS leadership, and are on track to appropriately respond and meet standards for re-certification. Commissioner Johnson intends to complete a strategic plan by early 2022, and plans to engage the Board of Health for feedback throughout the process.

6. **Milwaukee Health Department branch collaboration updates**
 - a. **Presentation and discussion from BOH members on branch collaborations**

Board Member Means is working with the BOMB Doula Program on an April 16th baby shower event to acclimate doulas with folks at Ascension's Birthing Center, in collaboration with the Safe Sleep Program and Alverno School of nursing at Ebenezer Church.

7. **Future agenda items**
 - a. **Moving board mtgs to every other month, discussion**

Board will meet as scheduled in May and re-evaluate again. Additional board member suggestions included limited the commissioner's time at meetings, increasing sub-committee work or time spent collaborating with branches, meeting monthly, but skipping July and December meetings, and expectations of monthly updates from the commissioner's staff regardless of meeting frequency.

8. **Adjournment**

Dr. Martin motioned to adjourn, Board Member Gomez-Tom seconded, motion passed with none opposed.

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