



City of Milwaukee

200 E. Wells Street
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53202

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, May 6, 2021

5:30 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 PM.

2. Roll Call

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

Not Present: Julia Means

3. Approval of meeting minutes from April 2021

Board Member Grant motioned to approve, Board Member Sinclair seconded, motion passed, with none opposed.

4. Communication from MHD Health Commissioner, Kirsten Johnson.

- a. Communication
- b. COVID/Vaccine updates/Crush COVID Crew
- c. Introduce Myra
- d. Questions

MHD has administered over 100,000 doses in the past month, bringing the total doses administered to over 156,000. Currently 35.2% of Milwaukee is fully vaccinated and 42.3% have received at least one dose. MHD is expecting that 12-15 year olds will become eligible in the next week. As part of MHD's outreach, Crush COVID Crew Ambassadors will be trained, though this program has been slightly delayed for a legal review of HIPAA compliance.

[210143](#) Communication relating to those documents submitted to the Board of Health for its meetings in 2021.

5. OVP Update from Marlaina Jackson

Former OVP Director Reggie Moore has resigned and MHD is in final stages of recruitment for a new Director.

6. MHD Lab Update

- a. Communication by Dr. Bhattacharyya
- b. Questions

Dr. Bhattacharyya presented an overview of the Lab's Genomic surveillance of SARS-COV-2.

7. Discussion of DHS 140 certification

- a. Updates, communications update and timeline
- b. Questions

MHD Leadership is in communication with DHS and will be submitting an action plan to the state.

8. Milwaukee Health Department branch collaboration updates

- a. Presentation and discussion from BOH members on branch collaborations

Board Member Grant has had conversations with DHS lead policy advisor to secure funding for Lead-Safe Advisory Committee, highlight immediate needs, and will advocate to secure essential positions to be filled.

9. Future agenda items

- a. Moving board mtgs to every other month, discussion

In June, the board will discuss lead and STIs for additional items reach out to Board President and Vice President.

10. Adjournment

Ald. Lewis motioned, Dr. Martin seconded, the motion passed with none opposed.

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