

Eastern Highlands Health District
Board of Directors Special Meeting
Thursday, April 28, 2011
1712 Main Street, Coventry CT
Coventry Town Hall Annex

Members Present: J. Elsesser, R. Fletcher, M. Hart, J. Luiz, M. Kurland, C. Mailhos (Alternate) , E. Paterson, J. Stille, D. Walsh, S. Werbner

Staff Present: R. Miller, C. Trahan, A. Bloom, M. Brosseau, K. Dardick

Members Absent: F. Daniels, P. Schur, T. Tully, M. Zambo (Alternate), Andover appointee (Vacant), Scotland appointee (Vacant)

J. Elsesser called the meeting to order at 4:35pm.

J. Stille made a MOTION , seconded by D. Walsh to approve the minutes of January 20, 2011 meeting as presented. The MOTION was PASSED unanimously with R. Fletcher and C. Mailhos abstaining.

Public Comments – None

Old Business

None

New Business

1 Auditor appointment FY 10-11

J. Elsesser reported that the finance committee met and voted to reappoint Blum Shapiro. MOTION made by D. Walsh, seconded by J. Stille to accept the recommendation of the finance committee to reappoint Blum Shapiro as auditors of Eastern Highland Health District for FY 10-11. The MOTION PASSED unanimously.

2. Signature authorization resolution

Proposed resolution was read into record by J. Elsesser (See resolution attached). MOTION made by J. Stille, seconded by D. Walsh to adopt the "Resolution Signature Authorization" for fiscal year 2011/2012 contracts with the Connecticut Department of Public Health, as presented on April 28, 2011. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

3. Ratify DPH/CCP Grant Contract

MOTION made by D. Walsh, seconded by J. Stille to ratify the DPH/CCP Grant contract number 2011-0175 as signed by the Director of Health and presented on April 28, 2011. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

4. Childhood Obesity Presentation

Deborah Walsh suggested to the board that they need to take more of a leadership role in this. Rob Miller presented to the board a summary of the presentation given by Dr. Katz on the issue of childhood obesity.

There was discussion following the presentation about how the board could take action to have sufficient impact on the issue. D. Walsh suggested that each member of the board have an informal conversation with their Board of Education or superintendent of schools. With further discussion to occur at the next meeting.

J. Elsesser suggested that there be a discussion with Eastconn and CREC. R. Miller stated that the EHHD staff would have those discussions.

Town Reports

Bolton – Addition to the High School has received a certificate of occupancy. Work will begin on the old section; Phase 1 of the sewage project will begin

Coventry –Preparing a plan to be used to apply for the Safe Routes to School grant. Study would be done to look at expanding sewers. J. Elsesser initiated discussion about the public water supply. J. Elsesser noted that there are regional public water supply interests affecting many towns that may need a regional discussion.

M. Hart suggested that members of the board attend a meeting of the Willimantic River Alliance on May 11th.

Mansfield – breaking ground on Storrs Center late spring or early summer

Subcommittee Reports

5. Healthcare pooling opportunities update

R. Miller reported that the committee has not had the opportunity to meet recently. R. Miller attended the last EastConn meeting where model agreements were presented. R. Miller intends to attend future meetings.

Directors Report

6. Quarterly financial reports ending 3/31/11

R. Miller reported that finance committed met and voted to accept the quarterly financial statements.

7. Quarterly activity reports period ending 12/31/10

R. Miller asked for questions. M. Hart questioned how the Farmer's Markets were looking for the upcoming season. R. Miller reported that the fee structure in place is a result of cooperative work with market masters and is working. While we had isolated occasions of noncompliance, we are not anticipating any problems with up coming season.

Executive Session

A MOTION was made by D. Walsh, seconded by J. Stille to move into executive session at 6:00pm to discuss personnel issues with R. Miller and C. Trahan to participate. The MOTION PASSED unanimously. Executive session ended 6:10pm.

Meeting adjourned with loss of quorum.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Miller", written in a cursive style.

Robert Miller
Secretary



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RESOLUTION FOR SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION

RESOLVED:

That Robert L. Miller, Director of Health, and in his absence, Elizabeth Paterson, Board Chairperson, has been Empowered to sign contracts and amendments hereto, on behalf of the Eastern Highlands Health District between the Eastern Highlands Health District and the Connecticut Department of Public Health or its successor agency, for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

Adopted this 28th day of April, 2011

Elizabeth Paterson
Health District Board Chairperson