BOARD OF HEALTH COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

February 28, 2023 6:00 PM

Regular meeting in Room 201

Commissioner’s Present: Noel Chavez (Chair), Judy Carter, Kate Odom Jennifer Fritz, Abigail Silva, Suzanne Feeney, Christina Welter

Commissioners not present: Dr. Kate Odom

Commissioners Excused: Susan Buchanan (Trustee Liaison),

Staff Present: Dr Theresa Chapple-McGruder Sara Semelka

**Call to order.** Dr. Chavez called the meeting to order at 6:09pm.

**Agenda approval.** A quorum was received motion to approve agenda.

**Minutes approval.** January minutes were not approved at this meeting.

**Public comment.** No public comments were submitted for this meeting.

**Old Business.**

**Staffing update** Positions are vacant for the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Farmer’s Market Manager, and administrative assistant. Dr Chapple introduced the newest member Chelly Richards as the new Community Health Advisor.

Dr. Chapple has reached out to the transportation commission with an invitation for Dr. Carter to join the transportation commission meeting, where the topic discussion is the Vision Zero Plan. This plan is an initiative to make pedestrians, cyclists, walkers, children and school zones safer in the village of oak park.

**Revised IPLAN.** IPLAN approved

The health department is reaching out to Community partners to come together to help spread the campaign of targeted programs. The health department has a focal point of the IPLAN for community enhancement, while working on resources that can focus on essential matters of mental health issues.

**New Business.**

**New programs** Dr. Chapple and Ms. Semelka went over a synopsis of programs that are being implemented and executed by the end of 3rd quarter. Programs such as Gun safety Awareness in homes and schools, and Narcan Overdose program.

A more immediate approach to gun safety, the health department is working with the Police Department, schools, and parents. The Police department will assist with distributing gun safety locks. An initiative for the Oak Park schools was for the health department to create a campaign to promote gun safety, that could be presented in an assembly at school.

Dr. Christina Welter spoke on NALBOH (National Board of Health) on how the resources is available for different legislations, requirements, and commission boards nationwide. Dr. Chapple discussed the annual conference for NALBOH July 31-August 2 2023.

**Adjourn.** Commissioner Carter moved to adjourn. All commissioners present voted in favor. Dr. Chavez adjourned the meeting at 7:29 pm.