

1 CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

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4 *Tuesday, March 22, 2022*

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6 **Call to Order**

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8 The Champaign County Board of Health held an electronic meeting via Zoom on
9 March 22, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 5:33 PM by President,
10 Dr. Krista Jones.

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12 **Roll Call**

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14 Upon roll call, the following Board members were found to be present: Dr. Krista
15 Jones, President, Mr. David Thies, Vice President, Ms. Cathy Emanuel,
16 Secretary/Treasurer, Dr. John Peterson, Dr. Dorothy Vura-Weis, Dr. Vihn Hick,
17 Dr. Brent Reifsteck, and Mr. Jacob Paul, County Liaison. Dr. Lyndon Goodly was
18 absent.

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20 Also present: Awais Vaid, CUPHD Deputy Administrator, and Sarah Michaels,
21 CUPHD Director of Environmental Health.

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23 **Approval of Agenda/Addendum**

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25 Dr. Vura-Weis made a motion to approve the agenda. Dr. Hick seconded the
26 motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

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28 **Approval of Minutes**

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30 Mr. Thies made a motion to approve meeting minutes from November 16, 2021
31 and January 11, 2022. Dr. Vura-Weis seconded the motion. It was noted by Dr. Vura-
32 Weis that the January minutes referenced IEMA as the party to administer COVID
33 vaccinations at outreach sites. The minutes will be updated to reflect the full name as
34 Illinois Emergency Management Agency. With all in favor, the motion carried.

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36 **Public Participation on Agenda Items Only**

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40 **Correspondence and Communications**

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42 Mr. Awais Vaid gave an update on COVID noting that based on the Centers for
43 Disease Control and Prevention's metrics, Champaign County is currently considered
44 low risk. Champaign County also has waste water surveillance for COVID and it is also
45 considered low level. This information is on the CUPHD website. There has been a
46 slight increase in COVID cases due to spring break with approximately half of the
47 University of Illinois cases being the BA2 Omicron variant. Mr. Vaid also noted that
48 Administrator, Julie Pryde, has been appointed to the NACCHO (National Association of
49 County and City Health Officials) Board.

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55 **SmileHealthy**

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57 Ms. Cathy Emanuel made a motion to approve the following
58 SmileHealthy monthly reports: October, November, and December 2021 and January
59 2022. Mr. Thies seconded the motion. Dr. Vura-Weis noted that the January 2022
60 spreadsheet listed the fiscal year as FY21. This appeared to be in error and a correction
61 by SmileHealthy will be requested. With all in favor, the motion carried.

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63 **CUPHD**

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65 Dr. Peterson made a motion to approve the CUPHD invoices for service:
66 November and December 2021. Mr. Paul seconded the motion. With all in favor, the
67 motion carried. Dr. Jones stated that not all of the COVID-related monies have been
68 allocated yet.

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70 Mr. Vaid followed up noting the COVID information on the CUPHD website is
71 updated daily. He and Dr. Reifsteck stated that they expect there to be a small surge in
72 cases but we are not seeing an increase in hospitalizations or ICU care locally. If
73 approved, the second booster and initial dose for those age 5 and under will be the next
74 phase of response efforts.

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76 Ms. Whitney Greger, Interim Director of Wellness and Health Promotion,
77 addressed the Board regarding preventative services funding for sex education in the
78 County. The main funding for sex education comes from Illinois Department of Human
79 Services and they require at least 40% minority population in the schools which many of
80 the County schools don't meet. They are looking to reestablish relationships with the
81 County schools who showed interest prior to the pandemic and would like to get
82 approval to explore opportunities for the next school year. It was requested to gain buy-
83 in on the program from higher administration and/or the school boards. Ms. Greger will
84 provide additional information at the June County Board of Health meeting including the
85 curriculum.

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87 Dr. Vura-Weis made a motion to place on file the CUPHD Reportable Diseases
88 and Performance Management reports. Mr. Jacob Paul seconded the motion. With all in
89 favor, the motion carried.

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91 **Old Business**

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93 The County Board of Health allocated \$50,000 to help increase COVID
94 vaccinations across the County. Ms. Cathy Emanuel reached out to approximately 63
95 food establishments about hosting a vaccination clinic at their site but only heard back
96 from one organization which was interested in hosting during their monthly food pantry.
97 Additional discussion was held regarding those funds and the need to reevaluate the
98 focus and marketing efforts. The Board will look at reallocating those funds to the next
99 fiscal year budget.

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106 Ms. Sarah Michaels, Director of Environmental Health, followed up regarding the
107 Cottage Food Law that was revised in January which allows for increased sales for
108 vendors beyond farmers markets. Items must meet the requirements set forth in the act.
109 This expansion creates additional, in-depth work for the Environmental Health
110 department. Registration is based on where the product is produced. The act allows for
111 up to a \$50.00 registration fee. Ms. Emanuel made a motion to approve the \$50.00
112 registration fee. Dr. Vura-Weis seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion
113 carried.

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115 **Other Business**

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119 **Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items**

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123 **Next Meeting**

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125 The next County Board of Health meeting will be Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 5:30
126 PM. This meeting will be held at CUPHD and will include discussion of the budget and a
127 presentation on sexual health education.

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129 **Adjournment**

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131 With no further business to be discussed, Mr. Thies made a motion to adjourn
132 the meeting. Ms. Emanuel seconded the motion. With all in favor, the meeting was
133 adjourned at 6:37 PM.