July 18, 2019

Meeting of the Coalition of Local Health Officials

**Members Present:**

 Hood River – Trish Elliot

 Jackson – Jackson Baures

 Jefferson – Mike Baker

☐ Josephine – Mike Weber

☐ Klamath – Jessica Dale

☐ Lake – Judy Clarke

 Lane – Jocelyn Warren

 Lincoln – Rebecca Austen

 Linn – Glenna Hughes

☐ Malheur – Sarah Poe

 Marion – Katrina Rothenberger

 Morrow – Sheree Smith

 Multco – Adelle Adams

 North Central PHD – Teri Thalhofer

 Polk – Jaqui Beal

 Tillamook – Marlene Putman

 Umatilla – Joseph Fiamara

☐ Union – Carrie Brogoitti

 Washington – Tricia Mortell

 Wheeler – Karen Woods

☐ Yamhill – Lindsey Manfrin

☐ HO Caucus – Pat Luedtke

 CLEHS Caucus – Joe Fiumara

☐ AOPHNS - vacant

☐ Baker – Nancy Staten

 Benton – Charlie Fautin

 Clackamas – Dawn Emerick

☐ Clatsop – Mike McNickel

☐ Columbia – Mike Paul

 Coos – Florence Poutal-Stevens

 Crook – Muriel DeLaVergne-Brown

☐ Curry – Ben Cannon

 Deschutes – George Conway, Hillary Saraceno

 Douglas – Bob Dannenhoffer

 Grant – Jessica Winegar

 Harney – Jolene Cawlfield

**Public Health Division:**

Cara Biddlecom, Sara Beaudrault

**Coalition of Local Health Officials:**

Morgan Cowling, Caitlin Hill

**Minutes**

Teri Thalhofer motioned to approve, Joe Fiumara seconded. Board approved.

**CLHO Leadership Elections**

There will be elections in October for CLHO Executive Committee. Morgan requested volunteers for nominations committee. Muriel DeLavergne Brown, Bob Dannenhoffer, Teri Thalhofer, and Tricia Mortell volunteered.

**CLHO Retreat**

Jocelyn Warren and Teri Thalhofer volunteered to assist with planning for the CLHO Retreat. Caitlin requested feedback on the draft agenda. People were interested in hearing from the state what they are planning about Public Health Modernization and we will know more about PHM before the retreat. Re: Public health funding people wanted to hear about how others make up for gaps in funding and increase efficiencies. Teri Thalhofer shared that Pacific Power is planning to shut off power to certain rural communities once certain conditions were met.

**Modernization Funding – late added item**

There are still swirling questions about how the modernization funding will be distributed. The Board requested that the materials that were discussed at JLT would be shared with the full board, that they could follow up with questions to Morgan and the Executive Committee, and that they schedule a webinar before the CLHO August meeting to ensure Board member’s questions are answered.

**CLHO Fiscal Policy Update**

At the May annual Coalition meeting the Board approved dues and the operating budget and made a recommendation to add a new policy to fiscal policies document which states CLHO Treasurer and Executive Director may deposit CLHO reserves in more than one banking institutions to ensure that all reserves are fully insured under Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

Charlie Fautin motioned to approve, Joe Fiumara seconded. Board approved.

**OPHA Sponsorship**

CLHO has been a sponsor of the OPHA Annual Meeting of $7500 in the past but in the budget the Board approved we budgeted $5000 for this year since we will need to use our reserves to pay for the sponsorship.

Jocelyn Warren motioned to approve the sponsorship at the $5k level, Rebecca Austen seconded. Board approved

**CLHO Program Manager Update**

CLHO hired Sierra Prior who will start on July 24th. She and Caitlin will have overlap to ensure business continuity and Caitlin’s last day with CLHO is July 31st.

**CCO 2.0 and Documenting work with CCOs**

Wanted to talk about what is happening on the ground with CCOs. CLHO board discussed generating shared learning about their partnerships with CCOs. There was discussion about creating an area where people could post information about their partnerships with CCOs. There was also discussion about a survey to collect information and Caitlin reminded the Board that CLHO did the Public Health/Healthcare Partnerships survey in spring of 2018 so we would want to ensure we looked at that information in designing the next survey.

There was also discussion about pulling in a resource expert to share information with CLHO in a webinar. Jeanne Savage, successful innovator agents, Donna in Crook County were identified as potential partners to help with webinar.

**LPHA Salary Survey**

The value of public health is being questioned by local counties and continuing to be chronically underfunded while local public health authorities are competing with hospitals and CCOs for staff. Discussed CLHO generating a salary survey to show that local public health is underpaying workforce. Lincoln county did a salary survey and learned that they were paying nurses 15k less than Good Samaritan but then the information collected didn’t generate any action or changes. The Board discussed that counties are relatively limited in developing revenue. Talked about academia being good partners and also continuing the conversation.

**Legislative Wrap Up**

It was a very successful session for public health. We were successful on UHV, Modernization, and legislature backfilled funds. Investment is up and beyond what they have every seen. Tobacco tax was a referral. Polling on tobacco tax is positive and tobacco tax will come out swinging. 10% allocation for TPEP, Tribes, and prevention.