



## July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Meeting of the Conference of Local Health Officials

Minutes recorded by Laura Daily ([video recording available to CLHO members upon request](#))

Approved August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Chair Naomi Biggs called meeting to order at 11:45 AM PST and requested roll call. Vice-Chair Carrie Brogoitti conducted roll call:

### Members Present (x if present):

X	Baker – Meghan Chancey	X	Hood River - Trish Elliot		Multnomah – Jessica Guernsey
X	Benton – Sara Hartstein	X	Jackson - Jackson Baures*	X	North Central PHD - Shellie Campbell
X	Clackamas – Philip Mason-Joyner*	X	Jefferson - Mike Baker	X	Polk – Naomi Biggs*
	Clatsop – Jiancheng Huang	X	Josephine - Janet Fredrickson		Tillamook - Marlene Putnam
X	Columbia – Jaime Aanensen	X	Klamath - Jennifer Little	X	Umatilla - Joseph Fiumara
X	Coos - Anthony Arton		Lake - Judy Clarke	X	Union - Carrie Brogoitti*
X	Crook – Katie Plumb*	X	Lane - Jocelyn Warren*		Washington – Marie Boman-Davis*
X	Deschutes – Heather Kaisner		Lincoln - Florence Pourtal	X	Wheeler - Shelby Thompson
X	Douglas - Bob Dannenhoffer	X	Linn – Todd Noble	X	Yamhill – Bill Michielsen
X	Gilliam – DaiLene Wilson	X	Malheur - Sarah Poe		HO Caucus - Pat Luedtke*
	Grant – Trey Thompson		Marion – Wendy Zieker	X	CLEHS Caucus - Joseph Fiumara*
X	Harney – Kelly Singhose		Morrow – Robin Canaday		PHAO - Lindsey Manfrin*

\*Member of the Executive Committee

**Public Health Division Staff Present:** None

**Coalition of Local Health Officials Staff Present:** Sarah Lochner, Executive Director; Laura Daily, Program Manager

**Guests Present:** Stacy Brubaker (Jackson)



Quorum established. Naomi reviewed the agenda and requested a motion to approve the May 2023 and June 2023 minutes.

**Motion:** Jennifer Little moved to approve the May and June 2023 minutes. Sarah Poe seconded the motion. 0 nays, 1 abstentions (Jefferson, Mike not present at last meeting), all remaining present in favor, motion passed.

**Appointments:** Naomi appointed Bill Michielsen (Yamhill) to the CLHO Legislative Committee.

**Proposal to Dissolve the AOPHNS Caucus:** Laura reviewed the [proposal in the meeting materials](#) to dissolve the Public Health Supervisors Caucus (previously the Association of Oregon Public Health Nursing Supervisors, AOPHNS, Caucus).

*Discussion/Questions:* The Board is voting on this in the Coalition *and* Conference meetings because it is present in both sets of bylaws. The Coalition bylaws need to be updated which will be considered during strategic planning in September. When the bylaws are officially being updated, reference to the AOPHNS Caucus can be removed since the Board already voted.

**Motion:** Bob made a motion to dissolve the Public Health Supervisors Caucus. Jocelyn seconded. 0 nays, 0 abstentions, all remaining present in favor, motion passed.

**Legislative End-of-Session Updates:** Sarah Lochner provided a brief overview of the 2023 Legislative Session. Sarah emailed an end-of-session report and spreadsheet with CLHO's priority bills provided by CFM Advocates. CLHO tracked a total of 423 bills and identified priorities for 36 bills. Highlights include:

- HB 2395: Opioids Omnibus Bill (included all items that did not cost money to implement) – passed.
- HB 3090: Flavored Tobacco Ban – died in Ways and Means due to walkout
- SB 643: Home Kitchens Bill – expanded the list of foods that can be prepared in unlicensed home kitchens. CLHO opposed this, but it passed anyway. CLHO will work to be involved with rulemaking to mitigate the concerns.
  - *Discussion:* Home kitchen bill rulemaking will take approximately a year, and then the law will go into effect.
- HB 2128: Tobacco Master Settlement fix – amended and passed in the last few days of session that will return the \$44 million to tobacco manufacturers, and then Oregon will put an assessment on these manufacturers to fund Medicaid
- HB 2420: Vital Records Workgroup – passed, and this workgroup is looking to have vital records personnel involved. Send names of local vital records folks who are interested to Sarah.



- *Discussion:* For context, the vital records workgroup was born out of Eastern Oregon funeral home that wanted death certificates to be available at the local vital records office to make them available faster for people settling affairs of loved ones. This would have added work to local public health and taken works and funds away from OHA (making the state program unsustainable because of the lack of fees). Toxicology is another factor in death certificate delays. This is an opportunity to provide better customer service.
- HB 2574: HIV PEP bill – passed, making PEP available to rural hospitals at no cost.
- HB 2656: Healthy Teens Survey – passed, which requires schools to participate but provides advance notice to parents and allow students to opt out.
  - *Discussion:* Uncertain if there is a penalty for schools not participating – Sarah will follow-up
- HB 3610: Taskforce on Alcohol pricing – passed, CLHO did not take a position on this. AOC has a seat on this, so please encourage public health-supportive commissioners to participate.

*Discussion/Questions:* Gratitude to Sarah for her communication throughout session and to the Legislative Committee for their review and recommendations of bills.

**Organizational Updates:** Sarah Lochner and Laura Daily provided several organization updates.

- **Time off:** Sarah will be out July 24<sup>th</sup>-August 4<sup>th</sup> and August 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> and Laura will be taking August 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> and Fridays off.
- **Retreat:** September 19<sup>th</sup> will be the strategic planning session, September 20<sup>th</sup> will be the retreat day, and September 21<sup>st</sup> will be the CLHO Board meetings. Please book rooms at the Running Y Resort rooms by July 31<sup>st</sup>. There will be a pickleball tournament, and if you have feedback for the strategic planning session, please complete the survey.
- **HOWTO Grant:** CLHO submitted the HOWTO Grant on June 30<sup>th</sup> – NOA is September 7<sup>th</sup>, and if awarded, the grant cycle will start January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Laura found that counties that did not get a letter of commitment in will still be able to participate – the LOCs were just meant to strengthen the application and show CLHO has the backing to complete the grant activities.
- **Change in Meeting Minutes:** Laura will be changing the meeting minutes process – minutes will be high level with attendance, summary of topics/discussions, and motions/votes, and will include a note that the recording can be requested from Laura. Recordings will be on CLHO's YouTube Channel as an unlisted video (accessible by direct link, though people intent on finding them may be able to eventually).
- **Association of Oregon Counties Conference:** The AOC Conference is November 15th, and Sarah would like to have a public health panel. Some topics suggested by members of the Executive Committee: 1) Opioid Crisis and



Public Health's Role in Prevention, 2) Pandemic Lessons Learned and Not Learned, and 3) the Top Three Killers: Tobacco, Obesity, and Alcohol. Sarah would like volunteers for these panels.

- *Discussion/Questions:* Opioid Panel volunteers: Stacy volunteered Dr. John Mahon (Jackson County HO), Katie, Pat, and Lane Co Prevention Coordinator (Jocelyn will check in with them). Pandemic Lessons volunteers: Pat and Bob. Top Three Killers volunteers: Jocelyn suggested moving away from the word "obesity" to avoid fat shaming – possibly change it to social determinants of health/place matters. Dr. Mahon could do alcohol portion, Jennifer/Klamath TP coordinator volunteers for tobacco.
- **OPHA Board Vacancies:** The Oregon Public Health Association's nominations committee reached out to ask for CLHO staff and members to apply for vacant board positions. Candidate statements are due July 28<sup>th</sup>. There also interest group sections and committees. CLHO and OPHA would like to build connection.

**Member Sharing:** Naomi opened it up for member sharing:

- Stacy: Local CCO wants to fund Jackson Co. to be clearinghouse for Narcan and harm reduction supplies (wants PH to do the labeling of these supplies). Curious if any other LPHAs have been approached.
  - Lane Co. has a clearinghouse for first responders but not CCOS. Narcan in the metro area is funded by CCO and held by Clackamas, Washington, and Multnomah
- Jennifer: Call this morning about an RV discharging sewage in the library parking lot. Looking for ORS that describes public health's role in this.
  - Joe and Jackson: DEQ rules would technically require a sewage disposal station to be installed at that location, which falls to city/county code and planning rather than public health.
- Sarah shared that Tillamook received federal grant to increase community engagement and outreach and was curious if others were awarded this grant. None on call were.

**Meeting Adjourned at 12:52 PM PST.**