



## 6/26/25 Meeting of the Conference of Local Health Officials

Minutes recorded by Allison Mora (video recording available upon request)

Reviewed & Approved on XX

Chair Philip Mason-Joyner called the meeting to order at 09:30 AM PST and requested a roll call. Vice-Chair Carrie Brogoitti conducted roll call:

### Members Present (x if present):

	Baker – Chastity Anderson	X	Hood River - Trish Elliot		Multnomah – Kirsten Aird
X	Benton – Sara Hartstein		Jackson - Jackson Baures*		North Central PHD (Sherman, Wasco) - Martha McInnes
X	Clackamas – Philip Mason Joyner, Kim La Croix	X	Jefferson - Katie Russell	X	Polk – Kari Wilhite
	Clatsop – Jill Quackenbush	X	Josephine - Janet Fredrickson	X	Tillamook - Marlene Putman was absent; Rockie Phillips was proxy
X	Columbia – Jaime Aanensen	X	Klamath - Jennifer Little		Umatilla - Joseph Fiumara
X	Coos – Tim Lynch		Lake - Judy Clarke	X	Union - Carrie Brogoitti*
X	Crook – Katie Plumb*	X	Lane - Jocelyn Warren* was absent; Brian Johnson was proxy	X	Washington – Marie Boman-Davis
X	Deschutes – Heather Kaisner		Lincoln - Florence Pourtal	X	Wheeler - Sarah Hartenstein
X	Douglas - Bob Dannenhoffer	X	Linn – Shane Sanderson*	X	Yamhill - Lindsey Manfrin
X	Gilliam – DaiLene Wilson*	X	Malheur - Rebecca Stricker	X	HO Caucus - Pat Luedtke*
X	Grant – Trey Thompson	X	Marion – Wendy Zieker	X	CLEHS Caucus - Joseph Fiumara*
X	Harney – Kelly Singhose		Morrow – Robin Canaday	X	PHAO - Lindsey Manfrin*

\*Member of the Executive Committee

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## Additional Attendees Present

- **Public Health Division Staff Present:** Danna Drum, Andrew Epstein, Naomi Adeline-Biggs, Anthony Nickerson, Jamie Coleman, Andrea Krause, and Dean Sidelinger
- **Coalition of Local Health Officials Staff Present:** Sarah Lochner, Executive Director; Allison Mora, Program Manager; Jenny Rudolph, Workforce Recruiter/Liaison
- **Guests Present:** Camille Krueger (Crook); Folu Adeniyi (Washington)

Quorum established. Philip reviewed the agenda and requested a motion to approve the May minutes.

- **Motion:** Katie (Crook) moved to approve the May minutes. Heather (Deschutes) seconded the motion. There were 0 nays, 0 abstentions, and all present in favor; motion passed.

## Committee Appointments

Philip made the following appointments:

- EH: Mike Matthews (Hood River)
- HPP: Lisa Schuyler (Clatsop)

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## Agenda Item Topics

### Public Health Modernization Evaluation Workgroup | Information | Thomas Packebush, PDES

#### Overview:

- Purpose: Recruit representatives for the 2025-2027 public health modernization evaluation workgroup
- Seeking 8-12 members with specific criteria:

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- Experienced and new LPHA administrators
    - Staff conducting cross-sectoral and cross-programmatic work
    - Representatives from all five LPHA size bands
    - Knowledge of accountability metrics (immunizations, extreme heat/wildfire smoke, syphilis)
  - Meeting frequency:
    - Every other week for an hour initially
    - Reduced frequency during data collection
    - First meeting planned for late July/early August 2025
  - The previous biennium's evaluation included:
    - Two domains: organizational structures and accountability metrics
    - Evaluation questions focused on progress, impact, and health equity
    - Produced a full evaluation report and two case studies
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## **Legislative and Budget Updates | Information | Naomi Adeline-Biggs, OHA-PHD**

**Overview:** Total OHA budget: Approximately \$42 billion

- Slight decrease in general funds
- Public health division budget:
  - Maintains current service level
  - Approximately 1,000 FTE
  - Reduction in federal fund limitation
- Specific funding allocations:
  - \$725,000 for Lower Umatilla Basin groundwater management area (LUBGWMA)
  - \$2.5 million for Seeding Justice
  - \$10 million for reproductive health
  - \$7 million for school-based health centers
- No additional funds for public health modernization
- Inflation adjustment is included in the current service level

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## OHA-CLO Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Approval | Discussion & **VOTE** | Naomi Adeline-Biggs, OHA-PHD; Liz Hunt, OHA-PHD

### Overview:

- Developed over a year through collaborative efforts
- Involved multiple LPHA representatives and OHA staff
- Aims to:
  - Clarify roles and responsibilities
  - Improve partnership
  - Establish working relationship guidelines

**VOTE:** Approved unanimously by the CLHO Board.

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## Federal Updates | Information & Discussion | Naomi Adeline-Biggs, OHA-PHD

### Overview:

- Discussed strategies to address potential federal funding reductions
  - **Options for Making Recommendations to OHA Discussion:**
    - The motion proposal is to establish:
      - Weekly board meetings
      - Contingency plan for decision-making
      - Potential ad-hoc committee if a full board quorum cannot be met
    - Focus on proactive planning for potential funding scenarios
- **Incentive Funding Discussion:**
  - Incentive funds are included in the current service level
  - Determination based on:

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- Accountability measure reporting
  - Expected to be assessed in August
    - Matching funds are not available this biennium due to a lack of additional legislative allocation
    - Specific funding formula to be determined based on the accountability measure performance
  - **VOTE:** Katie (Crook) set the following amended motion, and Heather (Deschutes) seconded:
    - **Motion:** The CLHO Board will meet weekly to make recommendations to OHA. If a quorum is not present, the matter will be escalated to the CLHO Executive Committee. These meetings will continue through December 2025 and will be revisited at that time.
    - **Vote Result:** 1 abstention, no opposition, all others in favor. Motion passed.
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## **Standing Items: Updates for PHAB, LGAC & OSTPR Board | Updates | CLHO Representatives: Marie Boman-Davis (PHAB), Jennifer Little (LGAC), and Carrie Brogoitti (OSTPR Board)**

### **Overview:**

- **PHAB:** Marie shared that the Health Equity Framework will be reviewed at the July meeting.
  - **LGAC:** Jennifer noted that meeting minutes were sent out by email, and the group plans to meet again in July.
  - **OSTPR Board:** Carrie reported that the group is not meeting in July. She also shared that her position as CLHO representative needs to be formally reinstated.
    - **VOTE:** The CLHO Board unanimously voted in favor of her continuing in this role.
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## **Group Agreements & Practices Debrief | Philip Mason-Joyner, Chair**

**Overview:** Philip, CLHO Chair, asked participants to reflect on how they did with group agreements and practices. Various participants provided positive feedback:

- One participant praised the group's willingness to do things differently
- Another highlighted the group's curiosity and openness

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- Someone noted they added an on-the-fly second survey to understand participants' needs
- A participant added a humorous but meaningful point about "embracing discomfort", noting that despite challenging times over the past five years, the group remains positive and collaborative.

Philip acknowledged the group's support and adaptability in managing a hybrid meeting environment, which can be challenging.

**Meeting Adjourned at 11:00 AM**