

Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB)
March 2, 2007
Meeting Minutes

Participating:

Board Members Present: Thomas Aschenbrener, Betty Bode, Tom Eversole, Lynn Martin, Candace Mueller, Phyllis Rand, Liana Winett

Board Members Absent: Faye Burch, James Diegel, Gloria English, Keith Harcourt, Bill Perry, Bob Shoemaker, Jr.

DHS Staff: Susan Allan, Grant Higginson, Katy King, Brittany Sande

Members of the Public: Bill Osmunson, DMD, Rick North

Opening:

Thomas Aschenbrener called the meeting to order, welcomed the board members and invited introductions and announcements. New board members, Betty Bode, Lynn Martin, and Liana Winett were welcomed.

December 15, 2006 Meeting Minutes

It was noted that minutes for the December meeting are still in process and not available for approval at this time. They will be ready for review at the June meeting.

Public Health Division Updates – Dr. Susan Allan

Handout – Prevention Block Grant, Update for PHAB February 2007

Public Health Division Legislation Report – Katy King

Handout – Status Report for Public Health Division Bills, February 28, 2007

A brief overview of Public Health Division bills and their statuses was given:

HB 2185 – PH Law and Authorities (Board members thanked for their support and for testifying at the hearing scheduled immediately after the PHAB meeting)

HB 2187 – Drinking Water Program: Authorize Sanitary Survey Inspection Fees

SB 156 – Establish statutory authorization/representation of Safe Drinking Water Advisory committee

HB 2193 – Radiation Protection Services: Fee Increase

HB 2188 – Expand ALERT to use the registry on a routine basis for adults

SB 162 – EMS and Trauma System Improvements

SB 161 – Medical Marijuana Housekeeping

HB 2176 – DMV Medical Reviews

Discussion of key PHD bill: Genetically Modified Products (SB 234) – Candace Mueller (on behalf of Robert Shoemaker, Jr.)

Handout – Senate Bill 234

Discussion of key PHD bill: Water System Fluoridation (SB 33) – Thomas Aschenbrener

Handout – Senate Bill 33

Thomas Aschenbrener introduced the topic of water fluoridation and suggested that with the hearings and position taken by the Director of the Department of Human Services, Dr. Goldberg, that PHAB may wish to provide their voice on the Director's statement in support of SB 3099.

Board member Betty Bode, put forth the motion and Candace Mueller seconded the motion that the Board support the position of the Director to support water fluoridation as outlined in SB 3099. The Board voted unanimously to support the Director's actions to advance the water fluoridation legislation.

Public input was provided by Dr. Bill Osmunson.

Discussion of key PHD bill: EMS and Trauma Reform (SB 162) – Dr. Grant Higginson

Handout – Senate Bill 162

Lunch & Discussion of Emerging Issues

Special recognition given and plaque presented by Thomas Aschenbrener to Jean Cowan for her valuable and outstanding service to the Public Health Advisory Board.

PHAB Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm so that members could attend the Jt. Emergency Preparedness Field Hearing on HB 2185.

The next Public Health Advisory Board meeting will be held on:

**Friday June 1, 2007
Human Services Building
500 Summer Street
Rm. 137AB
Salem, OR
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

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