



# UTAH COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

151 SOUTH UNIVERSITY AVENUE  
PROVO, UTAH 84601

## MINUTES

January 28, 2008

### Members Present:

Name	
Rulon J. Barlow, MHA	✓
Joan Baldwin, DNSc, RN, HNC	excused
Doris Baker, BA	excused
Dennis Hess, MD	✓
Sandra M. Huff	excused
Chris Sorensen	✓

Name	
Viola Ramos, MRC	excused
Jerry C. Washburn, Mayor	✓
Steve White, Commissioner	excused
Joseph K. Miner, MD, MSPH	✓
Ralph L. Clegg, MPA	✓

**Others Present:** Robert Mower, Bruce Murray, Ralph Clegg, Dave Johnson, Lance Madigan, Jaycie Robinson, Joy Holbrook, Renny McDaniel, Lynn Flinders, Terry Beebe, Ron Tobler, Paul Wake, Eric Edwards, Patty Cross, Kari Schmidt, Margie Golden, Paul Wake, Tim Bennett, R.N., Richard Anderson, R.N.

- Welcome / Introductions** - Rulon Barlow welcomed those in attendance and thanked the Board for their service. Chris Sorensen, Superintendent from Nebo School District was welcomed as a new Board Member. Rulon expressed appreciation to Superintendent Merrill for his service. Viola Ramos was also thanked for her willingness to accept a reappointment.
- Approval of Minutes** for November 26, 2007.

**MOTION:** Chris Sorensen made the motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Dr. Hess, and passed by unanimous vote.

- Review the 2007 Compliance Audit** by the Utah Department of Health - Ralph Clegg referred to the handout that went out in the packets. The auditors spent three weeks completing the audit. The two items of concern were employees not filling out time sheets at day's end and a few WIC vouchers that were not signed.

4. **Presentation: Cryptosporidiosis in Utah County** - Renny McDaniel, Epidemiology Intern, gave a Power Point presentation defining cryptosporidiosis, explaining the transmission, the 2007 outbreak, sources of the illness, problems identifying the sources, and recommendations. He also gave a handout, "An Investigation of a Cryptosporidiosis Outbreak in Utah County, Utah in the Summer of 2007". The Health Department sent flyers to the swimming pool owners, requesting that they be posted at their facilities. Most healthy people will recover with no treatment. Renny explained that Cryptosporidiosis can be treated with a medication called Alinia. Cryptosporidiosis is a nationwide problem; we anticipate problems again this year. We need to decide what our response will be (closing facilities, super chlorinating, ultraviolet lights, special swim pants, etc.)
5. **State Methamphetamine Campaign** - Richard will present this information at the next Board of Health Meeting.
6. **Review change to the Food Handler's Training in-house and on-line, and consider adopting a \$15, three-year permit fee** - Terry Beebe explained that the change is being adopted to make the fee uniform with other local health departments, and also to accommodate the on-line training which is now available to the public. People taking the on-line course will pay an additional fee for the course in addition to the \$15 permit fee. Currently that additional online course fee is \$6.

**MOTION:** Dr. Hess made the motion to approve the changes, which was seconded by Chris Sorensen, and passed by unanimous vote. This agenda item requires a quorum vote, so a phone survey of the absent board members will be done before the approval is finalized.

7. **Adopt Additions to new on-site waste water regulations, as requested by the Board** - Terry Beebe passed around copies of the new additions and discussed the one paragraph addition to the alternative waste water disposal regulations, explaining how our requirement is a 24" separation (2 feet) separation to ground water and to bedrock instead of the 18" and 12" allowed by the State rule. This is the same as Wasatch County adopted.

**MOTION:** Mayor Washburn made the motion to accept the additions to the new onsite waste water regulations, which was seconded by Dr. Hess and passed by unanimous vote. This agenda item requires a quorum vote, so a phone survey of the absent board members will be done before approval is finalized.

8. **Alert Clinician Award** - Presented by Dr. Miner to Dr. Douglas Hacking. Dr. Miner explained that the State Health Department Bureau of Epidemiology provides this award to health care providers who have been alert to communicable diseases. Our nurse epidemiologists nominated Dr. Hacking for the award for being the first to call to our attention the Cryptosporidiosis outbreak.
9. **Consider Bear River Board of Health recommendation to oppose national accreditation** - Dr. Miner and Rulon Barlow explained that the Bear River Board of Health sent a letter to other local boards of health in the State, asking that they consider supporting this opposition to national accreditation. Mr. Barlow and Dr. Miner agreed with Bear River's concerns that accreditation

diverted too many scarce resources towards meeting accreditation requirements rather than focusing these resources on local public health priorities established by local elected officials and community members.

- MOTION:** Dr. Hess made the motion to write this letter opposing accreditation of local health departments to the State Health Director, which was seconded by Jerry Washburn and passed by unanimous vote.
10. **2008 Legislation Issues:** Dr. Miner distributed lists of proposed 2008 legislation which affected public health and substance abuse policy. The board discussed Representative Steve Clark's House Bill 322, which sets a minimum funding level for local health departments.
  11. **Project with the Center for Multicultural Health** - Jaycie Robinson, the Department's Multicultural Health Coordinator, introduced the project which looks at health behaviors of youth from our three school districts. Focus groups in Spanish and English were held. Topics of discussion were tobacco exposure and access, help quitting, seat belt use, leisure activities, opinions of methods of advertising, and incentives. Jen Tischer explained the tobacco prevention and control program "Outrage" along with incentives for getting kids involved. Many youth, most of them high-risk, are participating in the program. Jen will give the board periodic updates of the program.
  12. **New Employees** - Dr. Miner read the list of new employees. Many are part-time, temporary employees performing undercover alcohol sales compliance checks.
  13. **Other Business:**
    - a. Dr. Miner explained the new Spanish Fork facility for the "Promise Program," which provides daily substance abuse treatment for women with young pre-school children.
    - b. The county still owns the old health department building on 900 East in Provo. Under Commissioner Steve White's leadership, they have decided to renovate it and remodel it into a health services building, which will house the Mountainlands Community Health Center. The building will also house our Orem Promise Program, the Volunteer Care Clinic, our health access program, Community Health Connect, and Wasatch Mental Health's Wellness Recovery Center. The programs anticipate moving into the renovated building within one year.
    - c. An agreement was signed by the county to purchase land for a north county building, located off Interstate 15 on the 500 East exit in American Fork. The building will house most public health services there, as well as Substance Abuse and Wasatch Mental Health services.
  14. **Next Meeting:** March 24, 2008, at 4 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

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**Joseph K. Miner, MD**  
**Executive Director**  
**Utah County Health Department**

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**Rulon J. Barlow, MHA, Chair**  
**Utah County Board of Health**

**ADDENDUM:**

Debbie Eyre surveyed the absent Board Members. They each gave approval of the following changes and additions:

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