Washoe County District Board of Health
Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 26, 2018
1:00 p.m.

Washoe County District Board of Health
Washoe County Administration Complex
Commission Chambers, Building A
1001 East Ninth Street
Reno, NV

Members
Kitty Jung, Chair
Dr. John Novak, Vice Chair
Oscar Delgado
Dr. George Hess
Kristopher Dahir
Michael D. Brown
Tom Young

1. *Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Vice Chair Novak called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.
The following members and staff were present:
Members present: Dr. John Novak, Vice Chair
               Michael Brown
               Oscar Delgado
               Dr. George Hess
               Kristopher Dahir
               Tom Young

Members absent: Kitty Jung, Chair

Ms. Rogers verified a quorum was present.

Staff present: Kevin Dick, District Health Officer, ODHO
              Leslie Admirand, Deputy District Attorney
              Charlene Albee
              Steve Kutz
              Chad Westom
              Dr. Randall Todd
              Christina Conti
              Stephanie Chen
              Yann Ling-Barnes

2. *Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Albee led the pledge to the flag.

Mr. Dick requested a moment of silence for Ms. Darleen Bidlake, Washoe County Health District employee, who had passed away unexpectedly that morning.

3. *Public Comment

As there was no one wishing to speak, Vice Chair Novak closed the public comment period.
4. Approval of Agenda

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Mr. Brown moved to approve the agenda for the April 26, 2018, District Board of Health regular meeting. Mr. Dahir seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

5. Recognitions

A. Years of Service
   i. David Orozco, 25 years, Hired 4/19/1993 - EHS

   Mr. Dick informed that Mr. Inouye has been with the Health District for twenty years and is the Branch Chief for Monitoring and Planning in the Air Quality Management Division, and congratulated him on his years of service.
   Mr. Dick stated that Mr. Orozco was unable to be present at this meeting, but wanted to congratulate him on his years of service and his upcoming retirement.

B. Retirements
   i. David Orozco, 5/1/2018, Environmental Health Specialist – 25 years, EHS

   Mr. Orozco was not able to be present at this meeting.

C. New Hires
   i. Jennifer Pierce, Principal Account Clerk, 4/16/2018 – AHS

   Ms. Heenan stated it was her pleasure to introduce Ms. Pierce as the new Principal Account Clerk in Administrative Health Services. Ms. Heenan informed that Ms. Pierce had previously worked in the Treasurer’s Office and more recently at the Sheriff’s Office as the Principal Account Clerk. She expressed that the Health District is very lucky to have her, and that Ms. Pierce brings with her a wealth of knowledge and that she looks forward to working with her.

Shining Star
   i. Jessi Salim – EHS
   ii. Blair Hedrick – Vitals, EPHP
   iii. Victoria Stebbins – Vitals, EPHP
   iv. Carmen Mendoza – EPHP

   Mr. Dick informed that the Shining Star Program is an employee recognition program for staff that provide excellent customer service to the public or within the Health District.
   He stated that Ms. Salim was unable to attend this meeting, but that she has been recognized by customers for her customer service skills.
   Mr. Dick explained that the next three Shining Stars are the entire EPHP Vitals Program staff. He introduced Ms. Stebbins with four recognition each and Ms. Mendoza who has a total of six Shining Star Awards. Ms. Hedrick who had received four recognitions was unable to attend.

6. Proclamations

   National Bike Month and Bicycle Safety Month and Washoe County Bike Week
Mr. Dick read the Proclamation. Ms. Ling-Barnes informed that the Bike Week is organized by the Truckee Meadows Bicycle Alliance, of which she and Ms. Chen are members. She encouraged all those present to participate if possible, and provided the website address, listed below:

https://bikewashoe.org/

Ms. Chen stated that, as a Health Educator for the Chronic Disease Prevention Program, she is happy to support and promote Bike Month and Bike Week and encourage Washoe County residents to be active in their lifestyles. She informed that, during Bike Week, there will be numerous events organized by the Truckee Meadows Bicycle Alliance and invited everyone to participate.

Mr. Brown moved to adopt the Proclamation for National Bike Month and Bicycle Safety Month and Washoe County Bike Week. Mr. Young seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

7. Consent Items
Matters which the District Board of Health may consider in one motion. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

A. Approval of Draft Minutes
   i. March 22, 2018

B. Budget Amendments/Interlocal Agreements
   i. Approve a Subgrant Award from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public & Behavioral Health retroactive to April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019 in the total amount of $168,597.33 (no required match) in support of the Community and Clinical Health Services Division (CCHS) Ryan White Part B Program IO#11479 and authorize the District Health Officer to execute the Subgrant Award.
      Staff Representative: Nancy Kerns Cummins

   ii. Approve a Notice of Award from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service extending the current award through August 31, 2018 and granting an additional $370,000 ($37,000 Health District cash match) in support of the Community and Clinical Health Services Division (CCHS) Title X Family Planning Grant Program, IO# 11304.
      Staff Representative: Nancy Kerns Cummins

   iii. Retroactive approval of Grant Agreement #A-00905418-0 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for funding in the amount of $547,651 for the period 10/1/17 through 9/30/18 for the Air Quality Management, EPA Air Pollution Control Program, IO 10019.
      Staff Representative: Patsy Buxton

C. Approve an Interlocal Agreement between the Washoe County Health District and Washoe County through its Sheriff’s Office to provide family planning services to female detainees for the period upon ratification by the governing parties through June 30, 2019 with automatic renewal for two successive one-year periods for a total of three years on the same terms and if approved, authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement.
      Staff Representative: Nancy Kerns Cummins
D. Retroactive Approval of Assistance Amendment PM-00T56401-6 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the period 4/1/18 through 3/31/19 for the Air Quality Management, EPA Air Pollution Control Program, IO 10021.
Staff Representative: Patsy Buxton

E. Recommendation to appoint Nick Vestbie, P.E., as a member to the Sewage, Wastewater and Sanitation Hearing Board (SWS Board) and Ray Pezonella, P.E. and Matt Smith as alternates to the SWS Board and reappoint Matt Buehler as a member to the Sewage, Wastewater and Sanitation Hearing Board (SWS Board) for a three-year term beginning April 26, 2018 and ending April 25, 2021.
Staff Representative: James English

F. Approval of Amendment #1 to the Interlocal Agreement For Emergency Medical Services Oversight between the Washoe County Health District, Washoe County, the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, the City of Reno and the City of Sparks to allow representatives of the Advisory Board authority to designate an alternate to replace the representative in the representative’s absence from meetings of the Advisory Board with alternates being a City or County Assistant Manager or Health District Division Director.
Staff Representative: Kevin Dick

G. Acknowledge receipt of the Health Fund Financial Review for March, Fiscal Year 2018
Staff Representative: Anna Heenan

Dr. Hess moved to accept the Consent Agenda. Mr. Delgado seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

8. Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority
Presented by: Paul Burton

A. Review and Acceptance of the REMSA Operations Report for March, 2018

Mr. Burton introduced himself as Director of EMS Operations and stated that Mr. Dow and Mr. Hodge were not able to be present at this meeting due to conflicting schedules, but would be presenting at the next District Board of Health Meeting.

He stated that he was available to answer questions regarding the March Compliance Review.

Mr. Brown moved to accept the REMSA Operations Report for March 2018. Mr. Dahir seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

B. *Update of REMSA’s Public Relations during February 2018

Mr. Burton informed February was filled with community outreach and media relations opportunities around heart health and CPR and AED awareness. He stated that Education Manager, Ms. Cindy Green was featured on a KRNV broadcast where she discussed heart health and how to administer hands only CPR.

Mr. Burton stated that the Education Department hosted a hands only CPR Event at Meadowood Mall, Hometown Health, Discovery Museum and the Little Flower Church during a Spanish Language Outreach Event.

C. *Update of REMSA’s Public Relations during March, 2018

Mr. Burton informed that in March, there were a variety of opportunities for the public. Ms. Green provided an interview about the use of Narcan and how REMSA’s Communications Specialists can help 911 callers administer the drug until paramedics arrive.
Mr. Burton stated that Univision, a local Spanish language television station, participated in a ride-along with a Spanish-speaking crew. He informed that the reporter spent a four-hour shift with the crew and conducted an interview in Spanish only. He stated the story was very positive and had a recruiting angle to it.

Mr. Burton informed that REMSA participated in the Stop the Bleed Event with Renown Trauma Services and Nevada Air National Guard.

Mr. Burton stated that REMSA Ground Crews began hosting local hospital personnel for ride-alongs, and, as community partners, it was important for the Community Healthcare Team to experience the healthcare continuum from the point of the incident involving REMSA to the hospital. He explained that REMSA’s healthcare providers do clinical rotations on various units within a hospital, but it’s rare to have the hospital healthcare providers have the opportunity to spend time in the field. He informed that the ride-alongs have been very well received by the hospital staff.

Mr. Burton informed that REMSA welcomed a group of Wooster High School comprehensive life skill students for a special tour, and that Telecommunications Manager Ms. Christine Barton led the students through a dispatch center, ambulance and Care Flight helicopter, learned what to expect when you call 911 and how ambulances respond throughout the community.

Because REMSA knows that social media is an important way to engage the public, Mr. Burton announced that REMSA has been putting additional strategies into their Facebook and LinkedIn sites for their followers, and detailed those additions.

Mr. Burton informed that the Nurse Health Line received its reaccreditation from the International Academies of Emergency Dispatchers. He explained that the REMSA Nurse Health Line was the first in the world to be accredited and is one of only two accredited nursing health lines across the globe.

Vice Chair Novak congratulated Mr. Burton and REMSA for their Nurse Health Line being one of only two in the world that are accredited.

Mr. Dahir informed that he is on the Nevada ALS Board and of the walk that organization has planned to be held on May 5th, and asked if REMSA would be interested in participating. He opined that they are heroes and that it would be good for the public to be informed of the vital service they provide.

9. *Regional Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board April Meeting Summary
   Staff Representative: Christina Conti

   Ms. Conti informed that, since the EMSAB Meeting held earlier in April, the upgrade for the REMSA side of the CAD has been scheduled to occur on April 30th and should allow the City of Reno and REMSA to be in communication by June.

   Regarding the 911 PSA project, Ms. Conti presented two formats of educational advertisements to inform residents of the importance of calling 911 only when appropriate. These messages were produced with both English and Spanish versions and will begin to be shown in various media outlets in mid-May.

   The website, thinkbeforeyoudial.com, will route visitors to the pre-existing 911 education page that was developed with regional partners last year and is being updated to be more user friendly for mobile devise users. (link below) Another feature of this site will be the ability to report incidents directly from this site. This part of the website has not gone live yet.

   www.thinkbeforeyoudial.com

   Ms. Conti informed that the Regional Protocols went into effect on April 1st, with eight different agencies in the region now using the same protocols for pre-hospital care.
Also included in the packet for the DBOH Members are the Mid-Year Data Report and an informational paper on the Automatic Vehicle Locator system.

Mr. Dahir inquired if the increased incidence of vehicles being used as weapons is a discussion that is occurring in the EMSAB meetings, and if there might be grant money available to make our community safer.

Ms. Conti informed that there are Multi-Casualty Incident Plans for the region, and that Mass Gathering Guidelines are being revised to lower the number of attendees at a gathering to have EMS personnel on sight, but that the prevention of this type of incident would probably fall outside the scope of their program.

Vice Chair Novak inquired if there is a phone number for REMSA’s Nurse Hotline on the 911 Education site, and Ms. Conti confirmed that all non-emergency numbers are there.

Mr. Delgado requested information on protocol for the care of non-emergent patients seeking care at an emergency room. Ms. Conti informed that, regarding the Record Street example given by Mr. Delgado, there had been meetings with REMSA and Reno Fire initially for the Franchise Map Review and detailed possible options to reduce the number of 911 calls at that location.

Mr. Dick informed of a comment he made at the EMS Advisory Board Meeting in regards to the campaign to reduce unnecessary 911 calls. He stated that, although the Health District has invested in this initiative, they don’t receive economic benefit from that contribution. He informed that REMSA provides in-kind contribution toward that effort as well, and that it is the local jurisdictions and hospitals that receive the economic benefit. He opined that this campaign will require a long term effort to change behaviors in the community and will require participation from each of the jurisdictions and the hospitals contributing toward a larger, more effective campaign.

Ms. Conti informed that EMS had asked on two separate occasions for contribution from the partners to support the broadcast of the promotion they have prepared. She explained that research shows that it takes twelve to eighteen months for progress to be shown, and that REMSA is the only one to have contributed to date.

Mr. Dahir inquired who it was in the cities that had been contacted with this ask; Ms. Conti informed that it is the Fire Chiefs and Dispatch Supervisors that were contacted as Committee Members.

Mr. Delgado requested Ms. Conti to reach out to him to move forward with this request.

10. Discussion and possible action to approve a permit fee accommodation such as a payment plan, adjustment of fee due date, or other accommodation as determined by the Board for the Food Truck permittee, Sunshine Ice Cream ( Permit # F010144), due to the seasonal nature, product type and financial considerations of the operation per Sunshine Ice Cream’s Owner’s March 22, 2018 public comment request. - (For possible action)

Staff Representative: Chad Westom

Mr. Westom informed that this agenda item results from a public comment made at the March 22, 2018 DBOH Meeting by Joseph Williams, owner of Sunshine Ice Cream Food Truck, regarding his opinion that the permit fee to operate his food truck was unreasonable and that he was struggling to pay the fee.

Mr. Westom informed that this fee was established by the District Board of Health and any changes in the payment amount are a policy decision and are to be made by the DBOH, noting that this would be a stand-alone situation.

Mr. Westom explained that they did evaluate the fee and contacted Ms. Admirand for legal counsel, and that staff recommends the Board discuss whether they want to provide
direction to make any changes to the collection of the Sunshine Ice Cream permit fee. He provided options the Board may wish to consider.

Dr. Hess stated he could understand that Mr. Williams could have difficulty with payment of the fee due to his food truck operation being seasonal. He inquired if the fee was the same for all food trucks.

Mr. Westom explained that the food truck fees are the same for all food trucks regardless of size of the truck or product sold and are calculated on an average of the costs of inspection times and food truck related activities in the Environmental Services Division. He informed the fee includes the cost of licensing and inspecting the vehicle and the food truck depot that the vehicle is required to leave from and return to and inspection of the supplies.

Dr. Hess inquired if all food trucks paid the same amount in February. Mr. Westom confirmed the amount was the same, but the payment due date varies depending on the business’s start date.

Dr. Hess inquired if the due date could be changed, and Ms. Admirand opined that it would be a decision for the District Health Officer and the District Board of Health, and that it was not a legal decision. She informed that the inspection is required annually, but the payment due date is a policy decision.

Mr. Dick stated that, as the District Health Officer, he did not believe that he has the authority to change payment due dates, but that it would require policy direction from the DBOH. He opined that it is feasible to adjust the payment date that is based upon the original application date for this annual permit, but if the Board was to provide direction to staff to change the due date, the potential risk could be inability to collect the fee should the business fold before payment is made.

Mr. Dahir expressed concern that any action on this request could set precedent, and that the initial fee would be higher after moving the due date to a point later in the year. He opined that waiving the fee or a portion of it is not a wise decision, and that the DBOH needs to be cautious in any decision made on this request.

Mr. Westom informed that Mr. Williams did pay the fee by the due date for this year.

Dr. Hess inquired when Mr. Williams’ season would begin for his food truck. Mr. Westom informed that Mr. Williams can begin selling ice cream in some years as early as April, but most commonly by May.

Mr. Young inquired if other jurisdictions had a graduated fee structure to accommodate the various types of food trucks. Mr. Westom stated that there are other models of operation concerning food trucks. He informed that data is being collected as a basis to confirm that the fees collected are in alignment with related expenses and will use this information and other models of operation as a basis in FY19-20 for possible change to the fee structure.

Mr. Westom stressed that any decision made on this item only applies to Sunshine Ice Cream. He indicated that the analysis that EHS conducted for the time and effort required for Sunshine’s truck and depot fee is within the ballpark of the other food truck permit fees charged.

**Mr. Dahir moved that the District Board of Health take no action for a permit fee accommodation for the Food Truck permittee, Sunshine Ice Cream (Permit # F010144).** Mr. Delgado seconded the motion which was approved six in favor and none against.

Mr. Young opined it unwise to provide preferential treatment for any vendor, and that fee issues could possibly be addressed in the future for seasonal food trucks.

Mr. Delgado stated that he supports flexibility for the various types of entrepreneurs in the community, but agreed that adjustment to the fee structure is a separate and more in-depth conversation.
11. *Staff Reports and Program Updates

A. Air Quality Management, Charlene Albee, Director

Program Update, Divisional Update, Program Reports

Ms. Albee presented a video advertising the educational program for students through the Alliance for Climate Education. She informed that this group provides entire lesson plans online for schools to use in the classroom and the tools to empower students in their efforts to make a difference.

Ms. Albee informed that Air Quality Management will be promoting this program throughout the community to any schools, children’s groups or organizations, and stated that it supports AQM’s Ozone Advance Program through their Outreach and Education Program.

Ms. Albee informed that she attended the Reno City Council Meeting held on April 25th to be present for the discussion regarding the potential sale of property where AQM’s Reno3 monitoring site is located. Ms. Albee stated that they are working closely with the city to find another location that meets EPA siting requirements.

At that meeting, Ms. Albee informed that she had the opportunity to meet with the developers and talk with City of Reno staff, and thanked Councilman Delgado for his assistance in helping her access the podium when she needed to speak on the item.

Ms. Albee informed that City of Reno Assistant City Manager Bill Thomas discussed the possibility of the City of Reno assisting in finding a location for a dedicated monitoring site to hopefully prevent any future need to relocate it again. She stated that the developer was very supportive in their understanding of the timeline it will take to relocate the monitoring site, and that their development could begin in approximately nine months.

Ms. Albee explained that EPA has already been notified that this relocation would occur and will proceed to obtain initial approval of the new site when identified, which will help the City of Reno in the dedication of this land. She explained the many steps required for this process.

Mr. Delgado stated that Ms. Albee did a great job in outlining the importance of working with the developers and making sure that data collection was uninterrupted in the move of the monitoring site for air quality control purposes. He thanked Ms. Albee for her involvement and education of those present at the meeting.

Ms. Albee informed that the Reno3 site is AQM’s Ozone Design Value Site and all of the data collected there went into the Attainment Designation and Exceptional Events Package, so is very important to Air Quality Management.

Mr. Dahir expressed the importance of Health District staff being present for City meetings involving subjects related to their Division to provide their expertise.

Mr. Dahir informed that the entity that may be purchasing the property that the Reno3 monitoring site is located on might also help pay to move the monitoring equipment. Ms. Albee confirmed that the City of Reno had suggested that, as part of the purchase of the property, the relocation expenses could potentially be negotiated into the sale. She stated that she was hopeful this would be the case, and that she announced at the City of Reno meeting that there was not budget authority this year or next year for the expense to move this monitoring site which will cost approximately $150,000.

Vice Chair Novak inquired who owns the video that was shown for Alliance for Climate Education. Ms. Albee informed that Alliance for Climate Education is a nationwide organization that will provide a Launch Kit for their lessons to any
organization that wishes to use them, and that the video trailer she presented is advertising for this program.

B. Community and Clinical Health Services, Steve Kutz, Director
Divisional Update – National STD Awareness Month; National Infant Immunization Week; Annual CCHS Training Day; Data & Metrics; Program Reports

Mr. Kutz stated they were excited to announce that Ms. Howell, Sexual Health Program Coordinator, will be on Ask the Doctor this coming Monday, April 30th, as part of National STD Awareness Month, and will be highlighting congenital syphilis.

From his report, Mr. Kutz highlighted the new healthy living mural created in partnership with the Washoe County Health District, City of Reno Housing Authority and Washoe County Schools Glenn Duncan and Trainer Middle School, and that the mural will be unveiled at noon on May 3rd at the Reno Housing Authority Offices. He informed that Councilman Delgado, Chair Jung, District Health Officer Mr. Dick, himself and many others would be in attendance and looked forward to the great efforts of the Chronic Disease Prevention Program and the partnership with Reno Housing Authority and the Washoe County School District being highlighted at the press conference.

Also within the Chronic Disease Prevention Program (CDP), Mr. Kutz spoke of their work regarding addressing the health impacts of marijuana in Washoe County, particularly second-hand smoke, and the educational media campaigns being developed around that subject. He informed that CDP has been expanding their partnerships within Washoe County to educate the public regarding the use of marijuana and second-hand smoke.

Regarding his invitation to Ms. Heidi Parker, Executive Director for Immunize Nevada, to speak at either the April or May District Board of Health Meeting, Mr. Kutz informed that she would not be available until the September meeting where it is planned that she will recap Washoe County’s recent flu season and discuss the plans for the 2018-2019 flu season outreach and education efforts.

Mr. Delgado informed that he’d received very positive feedback regarding the healthy living mural and that they were able to participate in its creation.

C. Environmental Health Services, Chad Westom, Director
Environmental Health Services (EHS) Division and Program Updates – Community Development, Food, Land Development, Safe Drinking Water, Schools, Vector-Borne Disease and Waste Management

Mr. Westom informed that there had been a case of salmonella from tainted Kratom product last week wherein Washoe County Health District’s Environmental Health and Epidemiology Programs responded to locations with the product for sale to put that product on hold indefinitely, and that a press release had been issued regarding this incident.

Mr. Westom highlighted his monthly report data is inclusive of 2017 totals for comparison as was requested at the last DBOH Meeting.

Mr. Westom informed that his Division has been working very hard with the land development and community development projects, that their turn-around times are being reduced with staff working very diligently.

Mr. Westom stated that there were staff recognitions that morning for staff regarding their great work in completing over 2,000 routine inspections in the first quarter of 2018.

Mr. Dahir inquired if it is anticipated there will be need for additional mosquito abatement chemicals in the coming season. Mr. Westom informed that he had been
working with Mr. Shaffer, Vector Supervisor, to develop a schedule for application and chemicals to be used, and expects there to have been enough budgeted at this time for abatement activities through the season.

Vice Chair Novak inquired whether spray or pellets were being used for abatement. Mr. Dick informed that the products used are the larvicide, which is a pelletized product that is sprayed from the helicopters and, when West Nile Virus is present in the mosquito population, a liquid pesticide that is aerosolized and sprayed.

Mr. Young congratulated Mr. Westom and EHS for their impressive number of inspections completed in the first quarter of 2018.

Mr. Dick informed that the Kratom issue came to light late on Friday, April 20th, and wished to acknowledge the collaborative effort that it took to remove this product from a retailer’s shelves that initially had not voluntarily cooperated in doing so. He acknowledged Ms. Admirand for her help in drafting a letter instructing steps the retailer needed to take to cooperate with the Health District, and stated that both the City of Reno Business License and Police Department assisted with leverage to encourage compliance which was achieved. He expressed thanks to all those that brought about the desired outcome.

D. Epidemiology and Public Health Preparedness, Dr. Randall Todd, Director
Program Updates for Communicable Disease, Public Health Preparedness, and Emergency Medical Services

Dr. Todd informed that the salmonella found in Kratom products is not unique to our area, and stated that there have been 132 cases of salmonella in thirty-eight states associated with this product.

Dr. Todd explained that the confirmed case of measles was a significant incident due to the rarity of the disease’s occurrence. He informed that EPHP, CCHS, EHS and AHS staff all assisted in the effort to control the outbreak.

Dr. Todd informed that the definition of “outbreak” as having more cases of a disease than is expected. With the last case of measles reported in Washoe County having been approximately 1998, no cases of measles are expected here. He stated that measles have been declared eliminated which constitutes twelve or more months without any continuous transmission of measles.

Dr. Todd explained that the cases of measles reported in Washoe County tend to be imported here by persons traveling overseas who are exposed and can potentially infect others that are not immunized. In this recent case, the person had been vaccinated but is one of the small percentage that can contract measles regardless of the vaccination’s 97% efficacy. He informed that the person had been exposed to measles in California and detailed the statistics of the incident.

Dr. Todd gave a brief history of measles in the U.S., informing that, before 1963 when the vaccine became available, there were three to four million persons infected with measles per year with between 400 and 500 deaths per year.

Dr. Todd commended the work of all Health District staff who worked to keep the measles outbreak limited to one case.

Dr. Todd stated that he and Dr. Chen were interviewed again regarding their report on the Pan-Resistant New Delhi Metallo-Beta-Lactamase-Producing Klebsiella pneumoniae by a German television crew whose report will air sometime in 2019.

Dr. Todd informed that updates to the portion of his report regarding the flu season could be found on the Health District website. He informed that it appears the flu season appears to be in decline and nearing its end.
Mr. Dahir inquired what exactly measles are. Dr. Todd informed that measles is a viral illness with a rash that begins on the face and moves down the rest of the body, and detailed other symptoms. Dr. Todd stated that, when discussing measles, it is usually referring to the Hard measles. He informed that there are also the German measles, a less severe illness.

Dr. Todd explained that the MMR vaccination is for Measles, Mumps and Rubella, and that there were a number of students that had to be excluded from school at the University of Nevada Reno during this case due to them having opted out of the vaccine.

E. Office of the District Health Officer, Kevin Dick, District Health Officer
District Health Officer Report – FY19 Budget, Public Health Accreditation, Quality Improvement, Strategic Plan, Water Projects, Traneer Middle School Mural, Truckee Meadows Healthy Communities, Workforce Development, Advancing Rural Board of Health Capacity to Improve Public Health in Nevada, Washoe Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board, Other Events and Activities and Health District Media Contacts.

Mr. Dick wished to acknowledge the great cooperation from UNR during this measles case in working with Dr. Hug-English and President Johnson regarding communications to the campus and the exclusion of the unvaccinated students.

Mr. Dick informed that Mr. Ulibarri had placed the Washoe County Health District’s 2017 Annual Report on the dais for the Board Members and thanked him for his efforts in developing the report and the Division Directors for their collaboration. He stated there were copies available for anyone in the audience who would like one, and that the report would be distributed more widely within the community.

Mr. Dick stated that the County Manager presented the FY19 Budget to the Board of County Commissioners on April 24th. He informed that the budget for the Health District moved forward with the above base requests funded by Health District revenues, including the positions added and supported by revenues within the Health Fund.

Mr. Dick informed that the above base request to fund mosquito abatement efforts for treatment of standing waters left from last year’s flooding was not approved. He stated that, if it is found that the additional chemical for larviciding is necessary, the Health District’s intention is to go back to the Board of County Commissioners seeking funding as a supplement to the budget during FY19.

Mr. Dick stated that the work for Public Health Accreditation continues and informed that they submitted sample documentation to the Health District’s Accreditation Manager with the Public Health Accreditation Board for review and had received feedback, improving the understanding of what’s required. He stated that they would continue to work to have all required documents within conformity and submitted by the October 1st deadline.

Regarding the water projects review, Mr. Dick informed of news received earlier in the week of an issue between Legislative Council Bureau and Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) on the Nevada Department of Administration’s Codes (NAC) revisions that were in process, which may delay the schedule for State Environmental Commission (SEC) approval prior to the end of the fiscal year. He stated that he will report on any updates received to the DBOH on this subject.

Mr. Dick informed that the Health District is continuing to work on alternative approaches for how the Health District conducts the regulatory oversight of TMWA, and stated that there is a meeting scheduled for Friday, May 4th with NDEP, TMWA and the Health District to formalize an oversite structure. Mr. Dick opined this will be in the form of an interlocal agreement that will be presented to the Boards of the Health
Mr. Dick stated that the Health District continues to work with Truckee Meadows Healthy Communities in the development of a Community Health Improvement Plan. Mr. Dick informed that he spoke with Dr. Slonim regarding Mr. Delgado’s request from the last meeting concerning Renown’s Community Benefits contribution. Dr. Slonim was not available to attend this DBOH Meeting, but he requested to attend the May meeting and his presentation will be agendized for that time.

Mr. Dick showed a presentation of the Healthy Living Mural at Traner Middle School and explained that the silhouettes painted on the wall are actually those of Traner Middle School students, painted with images of their favorite healthy foods.

Mr. Dick informed that he had the opportunity to present to the Interim Legislative Committee on Healthcare in a joint presentation including the three local health authorities in Nevada, the State Division of Public and Behavioral Health and the Nevada Public Health Association, and they had been allowed two hours for their presentation. The topics of the presentation included the Public Health infrastructure in Nevada and funding for and future direction of Public Health. Mr. Dick informed that his portion of the presentation was on Public Health 3.0 that he had presented previously to the DBOH in regards to community engagement and working to address social determinants of health. He informed that they proposed the need for more flexible and sustainable funding from the State for Public Health, explaining that the State of Nevada is 50th out of 51 states in the union, including the District of Columbia, for Public Health funding per capita. If funding were to be increased to $3 more per person it would elevate Nevada to 49th. Mr. Dick informed that they requested a $5 increase per capita for Public Health, which would still have Nevada ranked as 49th in the union.

Mr. Dick opined that Public Health in Nevada needs that level of funding to allow the ability to support work within the community and to be responsive to the health needs identified in the Community Health Needs Assessment, versus the type of funding that is typically received from the State which is tied to a specific federal program for specific services. He informed that the local health authorities and the Nevada Public Health Association are committed to working together to improve the State’s investment in public health.

Mr. Dick informed that, although they were provided two hours, the meeting started late and were still allowed their full two hours and more to present. He stated that the committee was very engaged, more so that he had witnessed previously in his career around Public Health. He informed that the session can be viewed on the archived video on the Nevada Legislature’s website for the Interim Healthcare Committee Meeting of April 24th.

Dr. Hess inquired who chaired the meeting, and Mr. Dick informed it had been Senator Spearman. He informed that the Interim Healthcare Committee is a mixture of both Assembly and Senators from their Healthcare Committees, and that Senators Ratti and Sprinkle are also on that committee as local representation.

Mr. Dahir inquired what increased benefits would be available in healthcare if funding were increased in Nevada to a higher level.

Mr. Dick informed that Dr. Iser from the Southern Nevada Health District presented on Foundational Public Health and informed the Committee of the work done in Washington State to identify those Foundational Capabilities and cost them out. Dr. Iser proposed Nevada’s three local health authorities and the State Division of Public Health work together to identify and cost out those services to then bring back their findings to
the Legislature to consider.

Mr. Dick stated that the ask was to be granted some of the Interim Legislative funding to hire a contractor in support of that effort for Nevada, perhaps one that has done similar work in Washington or another state that has gone through this process. Mr. Dick opined it is probable that this process would not be able to be completed by the start of the next Legislative Session, and explained the initial ask is to be provided block grant funding for the additional five dollars per capita, allowing for much needed support during the Foundational Capabilities process. When the results are determined, those findings would be brought back to the Legislature to be acted on in the following session.

Dr. Hess opined that the next Strategic Planning Retreat would be a good forum to educate the DBOH on this topic. Mr. Dick agreed that to be a good plan, and that he could present the slide deck Dr. Iser used in his presentation to the Interim Committee at that time.

Vice Chair Novak stated that he had just attended the NALBOH Board Meeting in Atlanta during the past week and informed of the three states that are required by their State Health Departments to be accredited by 2020.

12. *Board Comment

Since there was no one wishing to speak, Vice Chair Novak closed the Board comment period.

13. *Public Comment

Ms. Rebecca Anderson introduced herself as Director of Education for Alliance for Climate Education (ACE), and stated that she wished to thank the District Board of Health and expressed that the Air Quality Management Division has been a great partner of ACE for the past five years.

Vice Chair Novak opined that this is a great program and even more beneficial due to its accessibility to all who wish to use it. She informed that they are partnering with Washoe County School District to make sure it is used in their middle and high school classrooms.

Ms. Anderson thanked the Board for their partnership and provided her email address and their website, listed below:

reb@acespace.org
https://ourclimateourfuture.org/

Ms. Brandhorst spoke of her concerns with housing in the community.

Vice Chair Novak closed the public comment period

15. Adjournment

Vice Chair Novak adjourned the meeting at 2:33 p.m.
**Public Comment:** During the “Public Comment” items, anyone may speak pertaining to any matter either on or off the agenda, to include items to be heard on consent. For the remainder of the agenda, public comment will only be heard during items that are not marked with an asterisk (*). Any public comment for hearing items will be heard before action is taken on the item and must be about the specific item being considered by the Board. In order to speak during any public comment, each speaker must fill out a “Request to Speak” form and/or submit comments for the record to the Recording Secretary. Public comment and presentations for individual agenda items are limited as follows: fifteen minutes each for staff and applicant presentations, five minutes for a speaker representing a group, and three minutes for individual speakers unless extended by questions from the Board or by action of the Chair.

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