

ULSTER COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

January 9, 2017

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

- **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Approval of the November 2016 minutes

- **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Board of Health 2017 Schedule

- b. Nomination and Vote of 2017 Officers

- c. Commissioner's Report (Dr. Smith)

- Medical Examiner Office Update
- SUNY New Paltz Mumps POD 12/13 & 12/14
- Flu Update

- d. Environmental Health Update (Shelley Mertens)

- Old Homestead Mobile Home Park Update
- School Lead in Water Update
- Tobacco License Update
- Polystyrene Update

MEETING CONCLUSION

**Ulster County Board of Health
January 9, 2017**

Members PRESENT: Anne Cardinale, RN GCNS-BC, Board Member
Walter Woodley, MD, Chairperson
Mary Ann Hildebrandt, MPA, Secretary
Elizabeth Kelly, RN, Board Member

DOH/DMH PRESENT: Carol Smith, MD, MPH, Commissioner of Health
Shelley Mertens, Environmental Health Director
Douglas Heller, MD, Medical Examiner

GUESTS: None

ABSENT: None

EXCUSED: Nereida Veytia, Deputy/Patient Services Director
Peter Graham, ESQ, Board Member
Marc Tack, DO, Board Member
Dominique Delma, MD, Vice Chair
Amy McCracken, Deputy Commissioner of MH

I. **Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Ms. Cardinale to approve the November 2016 minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Kelly and unanimously approved.

II. **Agency Reports:**

a. Commissioner's Report:

- **Medical Examiner Office Update:** Dr. Heller reported on the status of the Medical Examiner's Office. Dr. Richard Eric Stutt has been hired as a less than half time Deputy Medical Examiner as of January 9, 2017. Dr. Stutt will be covering every Wednesday and one weekend per month. Dr. Heller will cover Tuesdays and Thursdays and every third weekend. Dr. Grovenburg will cover Mondays and weekend coverage as well. Still wanting to hire or contract with one more MD to complete the 1:4 (1 day per week and 1 weekend per month) coverage plan for the ME office. The new full time, Monday - Friday, 9:00-5:00, Deputy Medical Examiner for Mediolegal Investigations begins on January 30th.
- **SUNY New Paltz Mumps Outbreak:** Dr. Smith updated the Board on the current mumps outbreak at the SUNY New Paltz campus. A Point of Dispensing (POD) was set up on December 13th and 14th to offer the third mumps vaccination for students and faculty. 1505 students and faculty received vaccination. The hope was that by offering a third mumps vaccine the number of new cases would decline. To date there have been 96 combined confirmed and probable cases. Dr. Smith thanked Ms. Veytia and staff for their efforts and cooperation with the College and with NYSDOH to ensure the success of this POD.
- **Flu Update:** Ms. Veytia reported on influenza surveillance. Masks are still to be worn by employees who did not receive

the vaccination. There has been a decline in the numbers attending the clinics as compared to years prior.

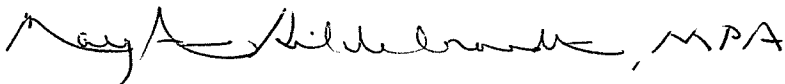
b. Environmental Health Updates: Ms. Mertens reported on the following:

- **Old Homestead Mobile Home Park:** There was another septic failure. Owner never applied for the facility permit and has to date, only paid for \$100 of the \$2000 owed. Currently this matter is in small claims court.
- **Water Testing for Lead in Schools:** All 9 districts are in compliance. There are no lead free buildings. Each district is submitting a remediation plan. Until the remediation plan is implemented, all faucets with lead in them will be either turned off or signage will be posted for hand washing only.
- **Polystyrene and Tobacco Laws:**
 - Polystyrene: There is approximately 100 facilities still using polystyrene. DOH is in the process of creating an affidavit for owners to attest that they are not using polystyrene.
 - Tobacco License: There are 201 facilities. 34 have not applied for a permit. 5 have partial submittals.

III. **Meeting Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Ms. Cardinale, the motion was seconded by Ms. Hildebrandt and unanimously approved.

IV. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2017, 6:30 PM at the Golden Hill Office Building.

Respectfully submitted by:



Mary Ann Hildebrandt, MPA
Secretary - Board of Health