

MALEHA Environmental Health Forum
MPHI, 2436 Woodlake Dr. Okemos
August 16, 2018

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Guests: (TC = teleconference)

Orlando Todd, MDHHS

Ian Smith, MDEQ

Steve Crider, MDHHS

Dana DeBruyn, MDEQ

Matt Gamble, MDEQ

Jeremy Hoeh, MDEQ

Laura de la Rambelie, MDHHS

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1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Vern Johnson at 9:30am
 2. **Approval of Agenda:** nominations for open Board positions added to agenda. Motion to approve by Matt Bolang, support by Chris Klawuhn. Motion carried.
 3. **Approval of July 19, 2018 Minutes:** Motion to approve by Matt Bolang, support by Chris Klawuhn. Motion carried.
 4. **Officer & Affiliate Reports**
 - a. **President's Report**

See emailed report.

Overview of PFAS response in Kalamazoo. Local public health responding along with MDHHS and DEQ. It is a concern of the continued capacity of these public agencies for long term

response. Recommends that PFAS is on everyone's radar. Believes that there should be an action committee of PFAS.

b. **Treasurer's Report**

Motion by Chris Klawuhn, support by Matt Bolang to approve the July Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

c. **MALPH** – Meghan Swain

Everything quiet on the Legislative area, not expecting too much except for a few committee hearings. Waiting to see what happens after general election. Questions about proposed sanitary code from group that Jeremy Hoeh will respond during DEQ update.

d. **MEHA**—Sara Simmonds

The 2019 MEHA AEC will be held in Battle Creek. Details will be shared as they are finalized.

5. **State Department Reports**

a. **MDHHS** – Orlando Todd, Steve Crider

Orlando Todd: DHHS is hearing the concerns of PFAS from local health, and they want to put a round table together with counties that have already been effected by PFAS. MPART notes will be the way to communicate updates to everyone.

DHHS is starting to put transition documents together and local health information about PFAS will be put into these documents.

Local funding increase of 4.5 million dollars will be distributed using the existing formula. Next year the public health advisory consul will have a report with new formula.

Sue M will retire September 28th

Hep A outbreak has seen a slow down

Liz Braddock asked about payment for med waste program. Dana DeBruyn would look into it.

DEQ and DHHS are looking into the possibility of DEQ using E-grams for disbursement.

Tony Drautz asked if the state was going to identify sources of PFAS. Funding tied to sources. He is concerned about the timeliness of notification some of Oakland's results were over 30 days old. What is the clear expectation of the Health Department when results are between 10ppt and 70ppt? Tony would like the message to be clarified.

Sara Simmonds stated that there seems to be two different guidance for private and public supply.

Ian Smith (DEQ) stated that some of the delays maybe do to the laboratory reconfiguring their report form. He would look into it further to make sure that was the only reason for delay. Dana DeBruyn stated that could express concern to MPART.

b. **MDARD**—Tim Slawinski

Edible marijuana FAQ is being completed. Licensed food cannot sell both food and marijuana. MDARD is still working with LARA about what will be allowed.

Memo license fee increase is will be sent out soon. A correction to record retention is being made. Request was made to have MDARD review record retention to make sure it does not conflict with MPR's. Fair project is going well. Plumbing work group still in process. A list of Smoothie/vitamin shops that might need a change of licensing will be sent out.

Sara Simmonds asked about a retailer where people pick out ingredients and the facilities cooks it for them. Similar to you buy we fry.

c. **MDEQ**—Dana DeBruyn, Ian Smith, Jeremy Hoeh, Kristine Rendon

Jeremy Hoeh: Questions of status of state sanitary code have been made and at this point no new information has been released. Major concern is to get questions resolved. Vern Johnson asked if MALEHA could receive a copy of the draft substitute bill. Jeremy H. stated that other stakeholders have asked the same and he would look into forwarding a copy to MALEHA.

Soils training will be held September 27 and 28 in NW MI DHD.

Great Lakes Water Consortium is creating guidance for what is the appropriate safety equipment at bathing beach's. Scott Smith stated that the Northern Directors have developed signs and information to offer to bathing beaches. DEQ has asked DNR to define what it means to offer bathing beach. Water sampling a bathing beaches cannot be required by local health unless local health opts in to testing program.

Dana DeBruyn: Stated the status of the RTCR work group and they have to meetings Aug 30 and Sept 7. Dana also wants to remind everyone about well construction training. Chemigation valve memo is in final review. Evaluation of PIII has started. Pilot for Harmful Algae Blooms. Update that auditors of the states TII program will make field visits. DEQ is requesting more money for TII.

Ian Smith: PFAS- 452 samples taken 21 (10ppt – 70ppt), 1 greater than 70ppt. What happens when a school gets between 10 and 70. Type to program will reach out to work with LHD and supply. If it is a T1 supply then district deq engineer will reach out to the supply.

Liz Braddock asked about community colleges and universities, are they considered schools. Dana DeBruyn stated that they could all depends how they are listed on water track, and if any college or university wants to be tested to have them call DEQ.

Kristine Rendon: Covered septic smart week and she brought in packets with information and supplies. Every county will receive a packet. If your county proclaims septic smart week please let her know to add to a list. Any activities connected to septic smart week if they could be tracked and sent to her she would appreciate it. If any local is going to have an event covering septic smart week deq could come and give a presentation.

7. **Committee Reports**

- a. Food
 - i. Subgroup has been reviewing potential responsibilities if recreational marijuana passes.
- b. Drinking Water
- c. On-site & Land-use
- d. Legislative
- e. Technology & Training

- f. Vapor Intrusion Ad-hoc

8. MALEHA Member Reports (Non-MALEHA Committees)

See attached spreadsheet for committee assignments and project updates

- a. DEQ Septic Code Workgroup
- b. Cross Jurisdictional Sharing
 - i. Kevin Green stated that a conference call was conducted after first training. The guidance manual will be available soon on MALPH website.
- c. Communication Workgroup
- d. Fentanyl/Carfentanil Workgroup
 - i. Chris Klawuhn stated that a draft clean-up limit standards was released by MDHHS and a copy will be shared with forum.

9. Old Business

10. New Business

- a. Nominations for Board Positions:
 - i. President Elect: Matt Bolang
 - ii. Treasurer: Chris Westover
 - iii. Board Position (3 open): Tony Drautz and Ken Bowen

11. Items from Board

- a. Chris Westover asked members to check with associate members to determine if everyone is receiving emails on listserv, MALPH needs to be updated as MALEHA updates members.

Motion by Scott Smith, and supported by Matt Bolang:

Motion to purchase non-alcoholic snacks for MALEHA Director's Conference.

Motion Carried

Also noted—Board positions are being updated with different tasks to help assist President with various duties.

12. Items from Members

- a. Sara Simmonds—Kent has received calls about people making marijuana butter at home using butane lighters. It was recommended that LARA be notified. Kent County has also seen an increase in West Nile infection in birds.
- b. Chris Klawuhn—Saginaw County has also seen an increase in West Nile through their surveillance.

13. Future Agenda/Items

- a. Sara Simmonds—recommends moving forward with PFAS committee. Andrew Cox recommended a separate committee and not a sub-committee of On-site Committee.

Motion by Sara Simmonds, and supported by Matt Bolang:

Motion to create a new MALEHA PFAS Committee.

Motion Carried

Motion by Matt Bolang, support by Chris Klawuhn to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05am

Submitted by:

Adeline Hambley 9/18/18

(minutes taken by Kevin Greene)

Approved x-xx-2018

_____, MALEHA Secretary

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