

SANDUSKY COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025

The regular Sandusky County Board of Health meeting was held on Friday, June 20, 2025 @ 8:30 A.M., in the Front Conference Room. President Dean L. Auxter called the meeting to order with the following members in attendance:

Dean L. Auxter, President
Nan Smith
John W. Zimmerman
Robert Gross
James Mason,
John L. Yuhas, D.O.

Excused absence: Ryan R. Zimmerman, D.V.M., Vice-President
Iracema Arevalo, M.D.

Guests in attendance: Jennifer Greenslade-Hohman, M.D., Sandusky Co. Public Health Medical Director; Scott Miller, Sandusky Co. Commissioner; and John L. Yuhas, D.O., medical student, Jarret.

There were three (3) additional agenda items under 6.0 FINANCE 6-4 Approval of Notice of Award in the amount of \$5,000.00 for Ohio Overdose Prevention Network Expansion Opportunity; 6.5 Approval of Contract with Mental Health and Recovery Services – The Board - \$220,000.00 for July 1, 2025-June 30, 2027; and 6.6 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Sandusky Co. Family and Children First Council - \$1,000.00.

There was no public, board, or staff comment.

Mr. Gross made a motion to approve the Sandusky Co. Board of Health, Friday, May 18, 2025 meeting minutes. Dr. Yuhas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

The monthly financial report was reviewed with revenue for the month of \$289,534.29 and revenue year to date of \$1,799,511.81. Expenses for the month were \$434,328.00 and expenses year to date totaled \$1,381,035.71.

Sandusky Co. Board of Health reviewed the monthly bills, which become a part of these minutes. After review, Mr. Mason made a motion to approve payment of the monthly bills. Mr. Gross seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative. The bills: Board of Health, \$40,227.61; Food Service, \$675.83; Private Water, \$822.36; Swimming Pool, \$7.00; Family Planning, \$2,765.30; Public Health Clinic, \$60,722.50; CFHS, \$0.67; Women's, Infants and Children (W.I.C.) \$4,019.85; Solid Waste, \$197.88; Tobacco Prevention, Use and Cessation, \$4,878.24; Community Health Assessment, \$15.00; Public Health Emergency Preparedness, \$49.28; SPF-PFS, \$18,253.93; Help Me Grow, \$3,222.35; Wellness, \$7,345.17; Sewage Treatment System, \$257.90; Immunization Action Plan, \$9,275.00; Scrap Tire, \$60.00; Creating Healthy Communities, \$781.91; Mental Health Levy Capacity, \$2,040.82; Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund, \$12,673.50; Pacific Institute of Research and Evaluation (P.I.R.E.), \$800.00; and Public Health Workforce, \$1,668.09.

Sandusky Co. Board of Health read and reviewed Then and Now in the amount of \$330.00 for Lydia Bruno, REHS, certification testing. After Board of Health review, Mr. Zimmerman made a motion to approve the Then and Now. Mrs. Smith seconded the motion. Voting thereon: Gross, yes; Mason, yes; Yuhas, yes; Auxter, yes; Smith yes; and Zimmerman, yes. Motion carried. Vote 6-yes, 0-Nay.

A report on 2024 annual State of Ohio Auditor fiscal audit was given. Cyber security policies for Sandusky Co. Public Health are being reviewed by the department's IT contractor to satisfy State of Ohio audit requirements.

Mr. Gross made a motion to approve out of state travel for Charlotte Stonerook to Rockville, Maryland, July 15-17, for SPF-PFS new grantees meeting. Dr. Yuhas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Zimmerman made a motion to approve the contract with United Way of Sandusky Co. for Cribs for Kids in the amount of \$14,700.00. Dr. Yuhas seconded the motion. Voting thereon: Zimmerman, yes; Mason, yes; Yuhas, yes; Gross, abstain; Smith, yes; and Auxter, yes. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- 5 and 1 abstain.

Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve Notice of Award in the amount of \$5,000.00 for Ohio Overdose Prevention Network Expansion Opportunity. Mr. Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Gross made a motion to approve the contract with Mental Health and Recovery Services – The Board – in the amount of \$220,000.00 for July 1, 2025-June 30, 2027. Dr. Yuhas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

Mrs. Smith made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Sandusky Co. Family and Children First Council in the amount of \$1,000.00. Dr. Yuhas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

There were no hearings, variances, or orders scheduled for this meeting.

Director of Environmental Health Juston Carpenter gave an update on the recent Food Service Operation Survey, conducted by the Ohio Dept. of Ag and the Ohio Dept. of Health survey of the Sewage Treatment System Program, which is currently placed on Provisional status. Environmental Health is working on a Corrective Action plan for the Sewage Treatment System survey.

Health Commissioner Brown reported on federal/state budget cuts impacting Public Health Emergency Preparedness, which stands to lose \$20,000.00 in grant funding. Other grants impacted are Tobacco Prevention, Use, and Cessation, Immunization Action Plan and Help Me Grow. Sandusky Co. Public Health funds are stable and will allow time to adjust staff and programs. Funding for the State of Ohio Laboratory which does rabies, food sample and other testing is to be slashed. The proposed property tax initiative would affect Sandusky Co. Public Health grants, as a total cap would be reviewed on December 31, for all funding and some health department grants end on June 30, or a different funding

cycle. More definitive budget information will be available July 1, 2025, after Gov. Mike DeWine signs the budget bill. More information will be forthcoming as it becomes available.

Community Health Assessment survey questions were reviewed and selected @ the Health Partners meeting on Thursday, June 5, 2025. A broader, more diverse outcome is the goal.

Charlotte Stonerook reported only forty (40) additional SPF-PFS surveys need to be completed for the grant and is confident the goal will be reached.

Health Commissioner Brown presented the re-accreditation plaque for the next five (5) years to the Sandusky Co. Board of Health, thanking Board, staff and all involved in the process. Congratulations to all for their diligence in the re-accreditation achievement.

Division reported included an update on termination of the CDC vaccine committee and the proposed schedule of vaccines. Vaccines not listed on the schedule may not be reimbursed by insurance companies. Environmental Health staff is working on seasonal programs, food service inspections and daily activities. Health Planning and Education participated in Safety Town @ Campfire fitting bike helmets for upcoming Kindergarteners; partnered with Y.M.C.A. of Sandusky Co. for the bike safety and rodeo on May 17, 2025; attended the Traffic Safety Summit in Columbus, and will be present @ Grove Fest on Saturday, June 21, 2025 and the upcoming Downtown Fremont Farmer's Markets.

THE JULY SANDUSKY CO. BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING IS FRIDAY THE 18TH @ 8:30 A.M. IN THE FRONT CONFERENCE ROOM.

No Executive Session was needed @ this meeting.

Mr. Gross made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carried with all voting in the affirmative.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY