Minutes Menard County Board of Health 12/15/2021, 6:00 p.m.

Present: All attended via phone or ZOOM conference

David Bagot, RPh - President

Brian Miller, M.D.

JD Stewart

Brianne Satorius Dianne Markley

Gail O'Neill - Director of Public Health

Carol Graham – Executive Assistant to the Director

Excused: Donald Hartman, D.D.S.

Jeff Fore

Guest: None

I. Call to Order:

President David Bagot called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll call:

David Bagot – here Dr. Donald Hartman – absent

Dianne Markley – here

JD Stewart – here

Jeff Fore – absent

Brianne Satorius – here

II. Approval of Minutes:

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2021 meeting was made by JD Stewart, seconded by Dianne Markley, with a roll call of:

David Bagot – yes Dianne Markley - yes

Dr. Brian Miller- yes JD Stewart – yes Brianne Satorius – yes

III. Vote on Board of Health 2022 Meetings Calendar:

A motion to approve the Board of Health 2022 Meetings Calendar was made by JD Stewart, seconded by Dianne Markley, with a roll call of

David Bagot – yes Dianne Markley - yes

Dr. Brian Miller- yes JD Stewart – yes Brianne Satorius – yes

IV. IPLAN Update:

Gail relayed that Dana Brown, Health Educator for Sangamon County, has put together a survey for Menard County for the Community Health Needs Assessment that will be available to the community to fill out online. It is being advertised through the county and Community Resources. Dana will present the results of the survey to the board at the January 12, 2022 meeting. She will present it as a Power Point presentation. This information assists in determining the top needs for the community for IPLAN. There will be a vote on the ranking of these priorities.

V. COVID-19 Update:

Dr. Miller gave a report on COVID-19 stating that the Delta strain still continues and Omicron is coming, but believes that most of the cases will be Delta. At this time does look like Omicron will still hit, but the illness will not be as severe. Vaccine, including boosters, is still the best way to stay protected. He also stated that monoclonal antibodies were in short supply for a little while, but looks like it is getting better now. Hospital numbers going up. Gail also mentioned that Dr. Sundareshan stated the some of the symptoms of Omicron are different than the previous variants. They are dry cough, night sweats, and extreme fatigue, among other symptoms.

VI. Unfinished business:

Gail mentioned the billboards have been left up in Menard County to promote COVID-19 vaccinations. Will discuss more ideas on getting the public to vaccinate.

VII. New business:

See above regarding voting on 2022 Board of Health meetings.

VIII. Next meeting:

Next scheduled meeting will be January 12, 2021 at 6:15 p.m.

IX. Public comment:

No public comments.

X. Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. was made by Brianne Satorius, with a second by Dr. Miller, with a roll call of:

David Bagot – yes Dr. Brian Miller- yes Brianne Satorius – yes

Dianne Markley – yes JD Stewart yes

Respectfully submitted by:

Carol Graham

Executive Assistant to the Director