

**Board of Health Meeting
Minutes
January 31, 2024**

The re-organizational meeting of the Dickinson-Iron District Board of Health was **Called to Order** by Mr. Deyaert on Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Dickinson County office in Kingsford, Michigan.

Roll Call was taken: Present were Board Members: Joe Stevens; Mark Stauber; Barbara Kramer; Mike Stafford and Henry Wender. Also, present were Dr. Robert Van Howe, Medical Director; Daren Deyaert, RS, Health Officer; Angela Applekamp, RN, Community Health Services Director; Tina Edlund, Finance Director, Wade Dishaw, Environmental Health Director and Kristina Santilli, Office Supervisor. Excused: Ean Bruette

Mr. Deyaert called for nominations for **Election of Chairperson**. M/S/C (Wender/Stauber) to nominate Mr. Stevens. Mr. Deyaert called 3 times for additional nominations. M/S/C (Wender/Kramer) to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Stevens.

Mr. Stevens called for nominations for **Election of Vice-Chairperson**. M/S/C (Wender/Kramer) to nominate Mr. Stafford for Vice-Chairperson. Mr. Stevens called 3 times for additional nominations. M/S/C (Wender/Stauber) to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Stafford.

M/S/C (Kramer/Stafford) to **Adopt the Agenda** as presented.

M/S/C (Stafford/Stevens) to **approve the December 27, 2023 Minutes**.

M/S/C (Stauber/Kramer) to accept the **Director Reports**.

Mr. Deyaert spoke about the **Kindergarten Oral Health screenings**. DIDHD will be contracting with Smiles on Wheels in conjunction with Western U.P. Health Department and Delta-Menominee Health Department. Smiles on Wheels will begin providing the screenings at local schools beginning the 2024-2025 school year. DIDHD will be the fiduciary. Mr. Deyaert spoke about the possibility of a **school linked clinic with Bay College**. Mr. Deyaert will review the RFP; he will contact the Board for a special meeting if it is something he would like to move forward with.

Ms. Applekamp discussed the **Bridges program**; it provides COVID vaccines to those with no insurance coverage. Staff administered COVID vaccines to jail inmates who were interested. The immunization program is looking at ways to make immunizations more accessible for children; recently staff provided **childhood immunizations** at Norway school to help with transportation issues. DIDHD staff attended the **Healthy Day at Forest Park**; information about health department programs was shared with 105 teens. The **WIC** program brought in \$595,120.34 to local stores in Dickinson and Iron Counties during fiscal year 2023.

Mr. Dishaw talked about **Radon Action Month**. The health department offered radon test kits at a reduced rate of \$5.00. Almost 200 kits were sold in Dickinson and Iron counties.

Dr. Van Howe spoke about the **Community Health Needs Assessment** that is required in 2024. The assessment is due every three years for tax-exempt facilities. He is just beginning the process and is open to any recommendations or suggestions.

M/S (Kramer/Stafford) to approve the **Preliminary December 2023 Finance Report**. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes.

The actual **cash balance** at 12/31/2023 is \$1,074,071.61. This does not include State takebacks.

M/S (Stafford/Wender) Approved **December 2023 and January 2024 Vouchers**. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. December: Payroll Expense \$69,248.76 January: Payroll Expense \$ 127,954.50; General Expense \$ 193,664.41 and Travel Expense \$120.52. Total Claims: \$390,988.19.

There was no **Public Comment**.

There was no **Old Business**.

Under **New Business**:

M/S (Stauber/Kramer) to accept the bid from Jimmy Mylchreest and Jocelyn Javoroski in the amount of \$100.00 to purchase the building and property located at 601 Washington Ave, Iron River, MI. Roll Call Vote: All Ayes. Mr. Stafford Abstained from the vote.

Name/Business	Amount	Business Plan
Jimmy Mylchreest & Jocelyn Javoroski	\$100.00	Expand already established Day Care; create more local employment opportunities; office space rentals; short-term or long-term rentals.
Stamford Polytechnic	\$1,000.00	Training center for various competitions related to mathematics and physics.

Mr. Deyaert will work with Mr. Tinti to complete the sale of the Iron River building.

Mr. Deyaert discussed COVID Workforce Development Staff Retention. Some of the funding is starting to filter in. Mr. Deyaert discussed how and when he would like to start distributing the funding.

There was no **Educational Presentation**.

Under **Other Information**:

Ms. Kramer invited Jessica Perry, EPC to speak at the next Dickinson Collaborative meeting to discuss Preparedness.

There was no **Other Business**.

M/S/C (Wender/Stauber) to **Adjourn** at 11:00 a.m. The next Board of Health Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Iron County office in Crystal Falls, Michigan.

Respectfully Submitted:



Kristina Santilli, Office Supervisor



Mike Stafford, Vice-Chairperson



Joe Stevens, Chairperson



Board Member