



Public Health
Advisory Commission
of Alexandria, VA

Minutes of the Thursday, January 19, 2023

PHAC Meeting

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Hybrid 4480 King Street and via Zoom

Alexandria Health Department

Present- In Person	Chair - Andrew Romero (AR), Patricia Rodgers (PR) Richard Merritt (RM), Anita McClendon (AM), Sylvia Jones (SJ) Jerome Cordts (JC) Julie Stahlhut (JS)
Virtual	JeanAnne Mayhan (JM), Lisa Chimento (LC), Dr. Michael Trahos (MT) Melissa Riddy (MR)- 6:22pm,
Absent (Excused)	Brian Hricik (BH) Dr. Jessica Hill (JH),
Absent (Unexcused)	
AHD Representatives	Casey Colzani (CC), Dr. David Rose (DR) Natalie Talis, (NT)
Guests	

I. Establishment of a Quorum

- Meeting called to order at 5:33 pm by Chair Andrew Romero (AR) role taken.

II. Approval of the December 2022 Minutes

- Patricia Rodgers (PR) motioned to approve December 2022 minutes, Sylvia Jones (SJ) Second. No discussion, All in favor, motion passed

III. Updates from the Chair

- **New Member-** Julie provided brief introduction, welcome Julie.
- **Vice-Chair-**AR is planning on resigning Chair position at June Meeting. Discussed the expectations of Chair and Vice-Chair positions. Consensus to have a Chair that is a volunteer member of the public instead of an appointed member.

IV. Administrative Updates/Reminders

- PHAC 2023 Calendar- December 2023 Meeting falls on 3rd Thursday which is December 21st. Proposed changing the meeting to one week earlier to December 14th.
 - i. Lisa Chimento (LC) Motioned to move the date of the December Meeting, JeanAnn Mayan (JM)second. All in favor, motion passed.
- In-Person and Virtual Meetings CC provided refresher about virtual meeting rules:
 - i. The member has a temporary or permanent disability or other medical condition that prevents the member's physical attendance. - Notify Staff Liaison and Chair that you will attend virtually due to a medical condition- you do not need to disclose this medical condition. (There have not been any noted time limits on this, , but please discuss with Staff Liaison and chair if your condition may be ongoing)
 - ii. A medical condition of a member of the member's family requires the member to provide care that prevents the member's physical attendance. - Notify Staff Liaison and Chair that you will attend virtually due to a family member's medical condition- you do not need to disclose this medical condition. (There have not been any noted time limits on this, but please discuss with Staff Liaison and chair if their condition may be ongoing.)
 - iii. The member's principal residence is more than 60 miles from the meeting location identified in the required notice for such meeting; (Most commission members are not eligible for this – unless you were appointed by your organization.)
 - iv. The member is unable to attend the meeting due to a personal matter and identifies with specificity the nature of the personal matter. (Out of Town, etc.) This is limited to 2 or 25% of our meetings rounded up. (9-12 meetings=3 personal matters per calendar year)
- Discussed commissioner's concerns. Contact Staff Liaison or Chair for questions

V. Updates from AHD

- Legislative updates- Have not sent the letter about the local administrations.
- Requested City Metrics and state of Health in Alexandria, who updates the City Council on health in the city, so that PHAC can support the work that the Health Department does. Will discuss this in depth at the next meeting ways PHAC and AHD can work together to inform Council on status of Health in Alexandria.

- Working with City to coordinate the move to Mark Center Colocation building. Tentative date in early March. Have selected internal move contacts and are creating communications plans. Waiting on final approvals between City and State. Reducing services, less than a week, setting up telehealth or referrals to neighboring jurisdictions for urgent needs while closed
- Casey Clinic and Teen Wellness Center will continue as usual with no disruptions.
- Local Administrative legislation- approval has been given to investigate moving Alexandria under local administration. AHD is not directly engaged in this legislation but will share information as requested.

VI. CHIP Updates-

- JM provided an update on CHIP. Had a strategy meeting of approximately 87 strategies. PHAC is the owner of several strategies. JM will provide a survey for PHAC to review and share. Thank you to Anita for working on health literacy, and Tricia on Health Homes.
- Contact JM with input or questions.

VII. Medicare For All-

- AR will preparer a letter for Grassroots Alexandria that they have approached PHAC, but no consensus made.

VIII. Announcements

- JM gave an announcement about the upcoming community Glaucoma Event, asl commissioners to share with their networks
- RM proposed revisiting the Flora K. Casey award at next meeting.

IX. Public Comment

- No members of the public in attendance.

X. Adjournment

- SJ motioned for meeting adjournment, JM second. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.