

STARKE COUNTY HEALTH BOARD MEETING

MARCH 24, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: DONNA BAILEY, ANGIE FLAGG, CARRIE BENOIT, RITA BERGER

ALSO ATTENDING: FRANK LYNCH, DR. BROWNE

NOT PRESENT: DEB HANSEN, ANGIE BANKS

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 PM.

QUESTION WAS ASKED ABOUT BOARD OPENINGS AS THE HEALTH BOARD HAS 1 OPENING AT THIS TIME. ANYONE KNOWING SOMEONE INTERESTED IN THE POSITION SHOULD CONTACT THE HEALTH DEPT OR AUDITOR'S OFFICE.

MOTION WAS MADE BY DONNA BAILEY TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES. 2<sup>ND</sup> BY CARRIE BENOIT. ALL IN FAVOR, NONE OPPOSED.

STAFF REPORTS WERE DISCUSSED WITH NO ISSUES RAISED. COVID VACCINES AND BOOSTERS WERE DISCUSSED RELATED TO RATES.

VACCINATIONS RATES THROUGH OUT THE STATE ARE DOWN RELATED TO REGULAR IMMUNIZATIONS FROM THE PAST 2 YEARS. DISCUSSED IDEAS TO PROMOTE GETTING KIDS CAUGHT UP AND BRINGING RATES BACK UP.

BOARD UPDATE ON CHANGES IN COVID GUIDANCE FOR THE SCHOOLS.

COVID VACCINATION RATES FOR THE COUNTY WERE DISCUSSED AS RATE FOR STARKE IS AT 42.4% FULLY VACCINATED. PRIMARILLY BOOSTER DOSES ARE WHAT ARE BEING GIVEN AT THIS TIME.

CHANGES IN LEAD LEVELS IN CHILDREN REPORTING AND BABY FORMULA RECALL WERE ALSO DISCUSSED.

NEXT MEETING SET FOR MAY 26, 2022

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY CARRIE, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY ANGELA F.