



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING SUMMARY NOTES

What: Environmental Health Committee

When: July 16, 2020

Participating by GoToMeeting: Board members Fran Bessermin, Keith Grellner, Stephen Kutz, Jill Wood, and Bob Lutz. Board staff Hannah Fernald, Michelle Davis, Kaitlyn Donahoe, Stuart Glasoe, Kelie Kahler, Cait Lang-Perez, and Sam Pskowski. Department of Health staff Peter Beaton, Mike Dexel, Mike Ellsworth, Joe Graham, Laura Johnson, Joe Laxson, Mike Means, Theresa Phillips, Todd Phillips, Susan Shelton, Tami Thompson, and Brian Walsh. Six members of the public.

Summary Notes:

Note: Chair Grellner announced an additional agenda item to be added following August Board Meeting preparation.

Rulemaking Project Updates

- Stuart Glasoe referenced a summary table of the Board's EH rulemaking projects, noting that estimated milestones for each project are subject to change due to COVID-19 and other factors. Staff will continue to monitor and update project timelines.
- Theresa Phillips provided updates for Group A Public Water Supplies (PFAS) and Drinking Water Lab Certification (PFAS). Peter Beaton provided an update on Food Service. Sam Pskowski and Cait Lang-Perez provided updates on Handling of Human Remains. Stuart provided an update on Keeping of Animals. Michael Dexel provided an update for On-Site Sewage Systems. Peter and Kaitlyn Donahoe provided an update on Water Recreation rules.

August Board Meeting Preparation

- Chair Grellner requested an informal briefing to refresh members of the key proposed revisions to the Food Service rules in either the August Board meeting or September EH Committee meeting in preparation for the rules hearing in October.

- Kaitlyn Donahoe discussed the possibility of a dual-purpose update on K-12 schools at the August Board meeting related to COVID-19 School Reopening Guidance as well as Childhood Immunizations. Members discussed the re-opening of schools amid the pandemic, and provided guidance regarding the potential briefing on re-opening guidance from the Department of Health and the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction at the August meeting.
- Mike Means previewed a presentation for a rulemaking update on per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) involving Group A Public Water Supplies and Drinking Water Laboratory Certification and Data Reporting. Board members discussed with Mike the strategy for future outreach on the draft rules, as well as the timeline and considerations for future adoption of a rule revision.

New Agenda Item: EH Committee Chair

- Chair Grellner recommended that he step down from the position of EH Committee Chair and nominated Member Wood for the position of EH Committee Chair. Member Bessermin moved the motion, and Member Kutz seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Next Steps:

- The Environmental Health Committee may meet in September in advance of the October Board meeting. Topics for that meeting will be determined later.

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