

IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

January 15, 2025

Attendance

Board: Dr. Steven Rippentrop, Tanya Powell, and Abby Maas
Environmental Health Staff: Sherry Lutz
HD Staff: Lori Sheeler, Emilie Brecht, and Celinda Clubb
Public: None

Call to Order – Rippentrop called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Approval of Agenda – Maas motioned to approve agenda. Motion seconded by Rippentrop. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from November 20, 2024 – Rippentrop motioned to approve minutes. Motion seconded by Maas. Motion passed unanimously.

Environmental Health Update –

Monthly revenue/expense reports emailed to BOH members.
Monthly numbers reviewed and discussed.

Health Department Update –

Bimonthly reports provided to BOH members prior to meeting.
Focused presentation on Governing Structure, Mission Statement, and Strategic Planning.

Action Items

- Confirmed BOH membership terms. Maas motioned to approve. Powell Seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Dr. Steven Rippentrop (Chair) Term Ends: 12/31/27; Tanya Powell (Vice-Chair) Term Ends: 12/31/26; Jodi Matthes Term Ends: 12/31/25; Abigail Maas Term Ends: 12/31/26; Teresa Sauerbrei Term Ends: 12/31/27
- Confirmed dates/times for the 2025 BOH meetings. With the addition of January's meeting date, motion to approve by Maas. Meeting dates for 2025 are: January 15, March 19, May 21, July 16, September 17, November 19.
- Approved FY2026 Environmental Health budget. Motion by Powell to approve budget with 7% wage adjustment but will reduce accordingly to the BOS recommended percentage. Seconded by Maas. Motion passed unanimously.
- Approved Home Health Aide base wage adjustment. Rippentrop motioned to approve a base wage increase of \$3/hr. The \$3 increase would apply to current staff effective today, 1/15/25. Seconded by Powell. Maas – nay. Motion passed. The base wage may need to be reevaluated if the open position remains unfilled.
- Approved FY2026 Public Health budget. Motion by Rippentrop to approve budget with the required adjustments of the HHA base wage increase. Seconded by Powell. Maas – nay. Motion passed.

At 10:07 a.m. Maas motioned to adjourn. Motion seconded by Rippentrop. Motion passed unanimously.