



Connecticut Environmental Health Association

Board of Directors meeting

December 14, 2021

Via Zoom Platform

Call to order: Chris Buter, President at 12:06PM

Attendees: Phyllis Amodio, Tanielle Davis, Chris Buter, Scott Cook, Michelle Hansen, Steven Yenco, Maryam Hosseini, Brian Falkner, Mindy Chambrelli, Kristen Amodio, Erica Mikulak, Kevin Elak, Katie Baldwin, Don Kendrick, Alyssa Brochu, Liz Kavanah

Guests: None

1. **President's Report:** *Chris B.*

Agenda was presented for any changes or additions. None was brought forth. Maryam made a motion to approve the agenda for 12-14-21, it was seconded by Scott. None opposed and no abstention. Motion passes to approve the agenda as it stands.

Bill on reciprocal license for itinerant vendors is gaining traction. More to come once more information is received.

2. **Secretary's Report:** *Tanielle D.*

Board members did not receive the November minutes. Scott motioned to table minutes dated 11-5-21 at the next meeting, seconded by Kevin. None opposed and no abstention. Motion approves.

3. **Treasurer's Report:** *Scott C.*

Full detail of account balances and transactions can be seen in Scott's email that was sent on 12-13-21. A detail discussion was provided from the report which including expenditures from the annual meeting, membership renewals, job ads, scholarships, subscriptions, processing fees, etc. Wild Apricot subscription has increased to \$50. Thad King contributed a scholarship donation of \$250. At the next meeting, approval is needed for the budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

Discussion ensued.

Scott motions to accept the treasurer's report and a second was made by Phyllis. None opposed and no abstention. Motion was carried.

4. **Education Report:** *Not Assigned.*



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Phyllis noted that Jennifer Spark and Dia Dihan will be invited and appointed to the next meeting in January

5. **Workforce Development:** *Alyssa B. & Brianna S.*

The committee is in conversation UConn and SCSU on trying to create an environmental track to get students more interested and ready for a career in environmental health. The goal is to bring awareness to environmental health, get people into the field and keeping them in.

6. **Legislation:** *Liz K.*

Nothing new to report. However, more to come on climate change.

7. **Membership:** *Maryam H.*

Renewals have started to come in and all payments will be forwarded to Scott. Gift cards was sent to the honorary members and the newly retired Bob Scully and Judy Rothchild. Thank you cards were also sent to Dianne and Ryan for their contributions to CEHA board.

8. **Nomination/ Election:** *Phyllis A.*

There are currently no applicants for the vice president/president elect. In January, a memo will be sent out to members making them aware of the position and what it entails with hopes of attractive them to apply.

Contact will also be made to Danielle Holmes about the subsurface position. Chris will invite and appoint her at the January meeting.

9. **Publicity:** *Michelle H. & Lisa Y.*

Several job postings have gone out recently. The committee will reach out to members to try and recruit prospective to the publicity committee. A newsletter will also be sent out for the winter.

10. **Scholarships/Awards:** *Erica M.*

The listserv with the different colleges and universities that provide a public health program will be continuously updated as we become more aware of them.

Technical Committee:

11. **Lead:** *Kristen A.*

The state will be changing the lead wipes clearance come January 2022. A circular letter will be sent with the updates. CDC has lowered the EBLL from a 5 to 3.5. Currently, CT does not recognize that change and there is uncertainty if it will be changed.



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12. **Food Safety:** *Steve Y. & Katie B.*

The reciprocal license for itinerant vendor is moving forward. Pilot program will be conducted through several health departments/districts including Torrington Area Health District, New Haven Health Department, Manchester Health Department, Darien Health Department. The permitting fee/ registration will go to the licensing town where the base of operation is located. The one-time fee is only applicable to local health. All other requirements for other town officials (building, fire, zoning) are still required to be fulfilled. More to come.

Discussion ensued.

13. **Subsurface Sewage:** *Jeff P.*

Not present at today's meeting.

14. **Water/Wells:** *Don K.*

Meeting was held last week. The state will have the ability to test for pfas and mapping well locations. Fannie Mae will require condo association to provide documentation of water supply as of 2022. Well drilling regulations are out for public comment. The big thing to note within the regs is the section geothermal wells.

15. **Body Arts/Personal Services:** *Brian F.*

A lot of inquiries have been received in about tattoo technicians being able remove tattoos by using a laser removal. The removal of tattoos by laser requires a medical doctor. Brian has also been asked by Central CT State University to do a presentation on body art and personal services

Discussion ensued on possibly creating a forum for colleges and universities to bring more awareness to the activities of CEHA

16. **Old Business:** None

17. **New Business:** None

18. **Adjourn:** Scott motions to Adjourn 2nd by Katie. Meeting adjourned at 1:22PM