



Muscatine County Board of Health Minutes

Wednesday, July 8, 2026 | 12:30 pm | In-Person – 1609 Cedar Street, Muscatine, IA 52761
Virtual option – Microsoft Teams

Board members

Brandy Olson, Chair | Karen Harper, Vice Chair | Dr. Michael Maharry, Secretary

Michelle Garvin | Cory Garvin

Members Present: Brandy Olson, Karen Harper, Dr. Michael Maharry, Michelle Garvin

Others Present: Jen Craft, Jacob Dornbush, Jake Boucher, Scott Sauer, Jessica Bopes (virtual), Dr. Matthew McKinney (virtual), Rachael Patterson-Rahn, Jamee Hudson, Emily Biddenstadt, Marisa Bunn

Meeting called to order at 12:33 pm by Olson.

A. Introduction – Olson initiated an introduction of board members and guests.

Olson asked for a motion to approve the 5/13/2026 minutes. Motion by Maharry to approve, seconded by Harper. All ayes; motion carries.

Essential Public Health Reports

A. Environmental Health Services

- Boucher was present to provide a status update to the Board of Health (BOH) regarding activities conducted under the Grants to Counties grant.
- Boucher requested that the board confirm the signing of the Grants to Counties contract by Furnas, for the 2027 fiscal year. Motion by Harper to confirm the signing of the Grants to Counties contract, seconded by M. Garvin. All ayes; motion carries.

B. Public Health Operations Update

- Hudson provided an update to the BOH regarding grant activities completed under the Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health contract for fiscal year 2026.
- Bunn & Biddenstadt provided an update to the BOH regarding grant activities completed under the 1st Five contract for fiscal year 2026.
- Patterson-Rahn provided an update to the BOH regarding oral health activities completed under the child and adolescent health contract for fiscal year 2026.
- Craft shared BOH newsletter with board members, discussing department activities that have occurred since the last BOH meeting.
- Craft discussed upcoming events that Public Health staff will be facilitating in the coming months, and provided flyers to board members for the following: Back-to-School Clinic at McKinley Elementary School, Car Seat Safety Event at the Muscatine Community YMCA, and Lead Education Event at the Musser Public Library.

C. Public Health Grants and Contracts

- Craft shared that contract Amendment #3 for the Care For Yourself – Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Program was signed on behalf of the BOH, requesting board approval. Motion by Harper to approve the signing of the amendment by Craft, seconded by M. Garvin. All ayes; motion carries.

D. Community Health Assessments

- Craft shared the communicable disease dashboard statistics to-date, reporting no major outliers.
- Craft reported progress being made on the Community Health Improvement Plan, reviewing activities completed since the last BOH meeting.

E. New Business

- No new business at this time.

Citizens Speak

- A. None to speak at this time.

Next meeting

- A. September 9th, 2026 at 12:30 pm in-person at the Public Health Office – 1609 Cedar Street, Muscatine, IA.

Adjournment

- A. Olson moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1:34 pm.