

Yolo County Health Council

April 2, 2020

Minutes

EVAN PRIESTLEY, CHAIR
JENEBA LAHAI, VICE-CHAIR

YOLO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
GONZALEZ BUILDING, COMMUNITY ROOM
25 NORTH COTTONWOOD STREET,
WOODLAND, CA 95695

The Yolo County Health Council met on the 2nd Day of April 2020, at 10:00 a.m. via video or teleconferencing.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Wilkes, District 2; Valerie Olson, District 5; Michelle Famula, At-Large Member; Pat Moore Pickett, At-Large Member; John Tan, At-Large Member; Dawn Myers, Commission on Aging & Adult Services; Lori Duisenberg, First 5 Yolo; Kathleen Middings, MCAH Advisory Board; Jeneba Lahai, Yolo County Children’s Alliance; Nicki King, Local Mental Health Board; Evan Priestley, CommuniCare Health Centers; Jessica White, Elica Health Centers; Mark Ho, Kaiser Permanente; Chester Austin, Northern Valley Indian Health; Craig Blomberg, Sutter Health; Tandy Burton, Woodland Health Care

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Carri Ziegler, District 3; Barbara Boehler, District 4; Celeste Armstrong, EMCC; Dustin Lyda, Partnership Healthplan of California; Stacey McCall, Winters Health Care

STAFF & GUESTS PRESENT: Ron Chapman, Health Officer; Jill Cook, County Administrator’s Office; Helen Ng, HHSa; Cyndi Sechler, Secretary, HHSa; Supervisor Don Saylor, District 2; John Troidl, Public; Brian Vaughn, Public Health Director, HHSa; Tia Will, Public

10:00 A.M. CALL TO ORDER

The April 2, 2020 Health Council meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by Evan Priestley, Health Council Chair. Evan announced and welcomed the two new Health Council members, Barbara Boehler, representing District 4, and Michelle Famula, representing Member At-Large.

1. **ROLL CALL** – Cyndi Sechler, *Health Council Secretary*
Roll call for voting members was taken and quorum was confirmed.

2. **UPDATE ON COVID-19 RESPONSE BY COUNCIL MEMBERS** – Evan Priestley, *Health Council Chair*
Evan asked County representatives and Council members to share an overview, a best practice, and one challenge they or their entity are experiencing.
 - **Supervisor Saylor, District 2** – The County’s Emergency Operations Center team is doing an excellent job; and Dr. Chapman’s leadership has been exemplary and has allowed Yolo County to take steps early on to prevent the spread any further than its going to. The continued challenge is the lack of information due to the absence of testing kits. Another possible challenge will be people getting tired of isolation and will want other types of contact.

Supervisor Saylor shared his delight that the County, Cities and healthcare entities are working together and addressing the needs of the unhoused populations so they can be safe. The Food Bank is doing home deliveries, Yolo Bus is using available staff and small vans to do some food drop offs; and Farm Fresh To You is helping out with the food deliveries.

 - **Ron Chapman, Health Officer** – There has been incredible work, partnerships, and communication going on. For the past month we have had weekly Monday meetings with all Public Information Officers from all cities, healthcare systems, and schools including UC Davis. Every Wednesday we have a healthcare provider call which includes all health systems and clinics. The Board of Supervisors instituted a weekly Tuesday morning Coronavirus update during their meeting; and the California Health Alert Network is going out regularly, so there has been a lot of communication being shared.

The Yolo County case count is up to 28 with 1 death. A dashboard was posted yesterday and can be found at www.yolocounty.org and click on the [COVID-19 Dashboard link](#).

- **Brian Vaughn, Public Health Director** – We continue to be cautiously optimistic that we have not yet seen the surge that we are expecting. The information we are seeing now from the state and researchers is that social distancing seems to be working and we need to be diligent in continuing the social distancing; but within the next week or two it will determine how high the surge will go.

We are working with the state in setting up alternative care sites, there is a lot going on at various levels, and there is a real need at the state level to coordinate that. Some counties are trying to find spaces, and others are taking a regional approach. There is talk that we need to do a regional through Regional Disaster Medical Health (RDMH) work, we have our own Region and we are the lead of that Region, so we will coordinate conversations. The good news right now is that we are not currently seeing a surge; but we are preparing for it. We are all curious what the new order from the State is going to do regarding supplies for personal protective equipment (PPE), especially the masking non-masking order.

- Some members shared their overviews, a best practice and one challenge they are experiencing.

3. CONSIDERATION OF ACTIONABLE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGARDING COVID-19 RESPONSE – Evan Priestley, *Health Council Chair*

Evan announced the meeting time limit is just about up; but challenged the members to think through what actionable recommendations the Council would like to make for the Board of Supervisors.

4. DISCUSSION ON HOW HEALTH COUNCIL MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO BE INFORMED MOVING FORWARD – *Evan Priestley, Chair*

Evan asked Council Members how often and what type of communication they would like to have moving forward.

After some discussion, Evan asked members if they were in favor of having a meeting on April 9th from 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Motion: Michael Wilkes **Second:** Michelle Famula **Discussion:** None **Vote:** Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT

5. Next Meeting – April 9, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Cyndi Sechler, Secretary
Yolo County Health Council