



# King County

1200 King County  
Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Meeting Minutes Board of Health

*Metropolitan King County Councilmembers: Joe McDermott,  
Chair;*

*Kathy Lambert, Vice Chair; Rod Dembowski  
Alternate: Reagan Dunn*

*Seattle City Councilmembers: Sally Clark, Vice Chair; Nick  
Licata, Kshama Sawant  
Alternate: Sally Bagshaw*

*Sound Cities Association Members: David Baker, Vice Chair;  
Largo Wales  
Alternate: Susan Honda*

*Health Professionals: Ray M. Nicola, MD, MHSA, FACPM, Ben  
Danielson, MD*

*Non-Voting: Christopher Delecki, DDS, MBA, MPH, Vice Chair*

*Director, Seattle-King County Department of Public Health:  
Patty Hayes*

*Staff: Maria Wood, Board Administrator (206-263-8791)*

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1:30 PM

Thursday, December 18, 2014

Room 1001

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### REVISED

1. **Call to Order**

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*The meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m.*

2. **Roll Call**

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**Present:** 7 - Ms. Lambert, Ms. Clark, Dr. Nicola, Mr. Licata, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski and Dr. Delecki

**Excused:** 4 - Dr. Danielson, Mr. Baker, Ms. Sawant and Ms. Wales

3. **Announcement of Any Alternates Serving in Place of Regular Members**

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*Boardmember Delecki served in place of Boardmember Danielson.*

4. **Approval of Minutes of October 16, 2014**

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*Boardmember Nicola moved to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2014 meeting as presented. Seeing no objection, the Chair so ordered.*

**5. Public Comments**

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*The following people spoke:*

*Michael Graham Squire  
Yosef Amari  
Jonelle Okorogu  
Valerie Thomas-Matson  
Queen Pearl  
L. Adams  
Raushanah K. El'Amin  
Elaine Ishihara  
Alison Drayson*

*Amy Eiden, Legal Counsel, answered questions of the board.*

**6. Director's Report**

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*Patty Hayes, Interim Director, reported that on January 5, 2015 Dr. Jeff Duchin, Chief of Epidemiology, will take over as Interim Health Officer.*

*Ms. Hayes also reported that Luis Salazar, Community Health Services, made a presentation to the Washington Health Benefit Exchange Board regarding the experience of working as an in person assister with the Hispanic community in King County. King County will be featured in a PBS Newshour production comparing King County's work on enrollment and the reduction that it had on uncompensated care demands at Harborview. Ms. Hayes reported that flu cases are increasing and the predominate strain this year is one that leads to more hospitalization and death. She encouraged the public to get a flu shot.*

*The Seattle Times published a story on Public Health's restaurant grading project. Washington State received a large grant that will help move forward the health care system integration of behavioral health, chemical dependency and primary care as well as funding to establish the Accountable Community of Health Organization. Ms. Hayes indicated that the board will hear a briefing on this next year.*

## Briefings

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### 7. [BOH Briefing No. 14-B26](#)

Environmental Health Fee Advisory Committee Update

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*Amy Tsai, King County Council staff, briefed the board on the 2015-16 adopted budget and the provisos that direct Environmental Health's continued work to reduce the fees from the original proposal.*

*Becky Elais, Food and Facilities Program Manager, briefed the board on the stakeholder process as well as initial work on the potential mitigation strategies.*

*The following people spoke:*

*Lauren McCool  
Anthony Williams  
Judy Kirkhuff  
Ivy Fox  
John Schofield  
Oleera Perry  
Steve Towey  
Art Stone  
Morgan Hickel  
Chris Curtis  
Ben Franz-Knight  
Barbara Armani  
Ryan Reiter*

**This matter was Presented**

### 8. [BOH Briefing No. 14-B27](#)

Ebola Update

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*Dr. Jeff Duchin, Chief of Public Health's Communicable Disease Epidemiology and Immunization section and Carina Elsenboss, Manager of the Public Health Preparedness section presented an Ebola Update.*

**This matter was Presented**

### 9. [BOH Briefing No. 14-B28](#)

Secure Medicine Return Program, Annual Report

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*Taylor Watson, Secure Medicine Return Program Manager and Dave Galvin, Local Hazardous Waste Management Program, gave an update on the Secure Medicine Return Program.*

**This matter was Presented**

**10. BOH Briefing No. 14-B29**

Legislative Update

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*Jennifer Muhm, Legislative Affairs Officer, Public Health, presented a legislative update.*

**This matter was Presented**

**11. Chair's Report**

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*The chair introduced Brad Banks, Managing Director of the Washington State Association of Public Health Officials. Mr. Banks presented recognition awards to the following Department of Public Health employees acknowledging their work on the Title 19 Medicaid Administrative Claiming Program:*

*Patty Hayes, Interim Director; Jan Capps, Program Manager; Jennifer Muhm, Legislative Affairs Officer and Eben Sutton, Interim Chief Financial Officer.*

*The chair reported on the work of the Statewide Advisory Committee to address foundational public health services. The committee spent the year discussing solutions for funding foundational public health services and is in the process of finalizing a report on its findings to present to the Washington State Legislature next year.*

*The chair reminded board members to submit items of interest for the 2015 Board of Health work plan.*

*The chair added item 15 to the agenda.*

**12. Board Member Updates**

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*Boardmember Delecki briefed the board on the October 23-26 Remote Area Medical event that took place in Seattle. Over 1,700 people received dental care. 90% of them needed basic preventative services.*

*Boardmember Lambert reported on a symposium on vision. The symposium included a report on a new program to help strengthen the eye muscles of children so their eyes can track better. The ability of children to track directly affects their success in the classroom.*

**13. Administrator's Report**

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*Ms. Wood reported that Federal Government menu labeling rule making has concluded. The board will hear an initial briefing next year to look at aligning King County Board of Health code and the new Federal Government code changes*

**14. Other Business**

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**Extra Item****15. Substitute Resolution No. 14-05.2**

A RESOLUTION calling on the Washington state Legislature to help improve the health of King County and Washington state residents by maintaining current levels of funding for foundational public health services and by providing new, additional funding for public health, dedicated revenue from a new tax on electronic vaping devices, and encouraging other boards of health to adopt similar resolutions in support of public health funding.

*Boardmember Dembowski offered a verbal amendment to insert the words "at least" on line 56 before 'the current'.*

*Boardmember McDermott accepted the amendment as friendly. The motion passed unanimously.*

**A motion was made by Boardmember Nicola that this Resolution be Passed.**

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Ms. Clark, Dr. Nicola, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski and Dr. Delecki

**Excused:** 7 - Ms. Lambert, Mr. Licata, Dr. Danielson, Mr. Baker, Ms. Sawant and Ms. Wales

**16. Adjournment**

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*The meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.*

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

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Clerk's Signature