

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING – February 24, 2021**

The Board meeting of the Cuyahoga County Board of Health was held virtually by audio/video conference and called to order by Dr. Gregory L. Hall, President of the Board at 9:04 a.m. on February 24, 2021. Members of the public were invited to attend via audio/video conference.

Roll Call: The following members were present: Dr. Gregory L. Hall, Ms. Debbie L. Moss, Mr. Douglas Wang, Dr. Sherrie Williams.

It was moved by Dr. Williams, seconded by Ms. Moss, that the following Motion be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to excuse Mr. James T. Gatt from this meeting due to schedule conflicts at the time of this meeting.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

The reading of the minutes of the January 27, 2021, regular Board meeting was dispensed with as copies had previously been received by each member. Inasmuch as there were no corrections, it was moved by Ms. Moss, seconded by Dr. Hall, that the minutes be approved.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

It was moved by Dr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Wang, that the following Motion be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to amend agenda items as highlighted on revised agenda.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

Public Comments on Agenda Resolutions Only (three-minute maximum) – N/A.

Review of the Financial Statements.

Mr. Gatt arrived to the meeting at 9:12 a.m.

Legislative Updates – N/A

Committee Reports – Diversity Committee

Dr. Williams, Board Diversity Committee Chair, requested that resolution 2021-24, Cuyahoga County Board of Health- Resolution Declaring Racism a Public Health Crisis, be moved up from

Miscellaneous Business on the agenda for consideration at the conclusion of her Committee report.

Dr. Williams asked Martha Halko, Co-acting Director of Prevention & Wellness Services, to provide background and context for the resolution. Ms. Halko described that this resolution builds on more than 15 years of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) work and prioritizes clear actions to address health disparities and inequities in Cuyahoga County. She described that CCBH is joins more than 150 other cities, counties and health departments across the country, including the City of Cleveland and Cuyahoga County Government, to take action to address racism as a public health Crisis. The resolution focuses on key EDI commitments and actions both within the agency and in the community centered on prioritizing addressing racial health inequities as foundational to our work.

Next, Terry Allan, Health Commissioner, described CCBH's commitment to establishing a full time Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion senior level position in 2021, to coordinate and guide agency EDI and anti-racism efforts to inform our internal policies, practices, and processes, while shaping a more equitable and supportive culture at CCBH.

Finally, Dr. Williams summarized the purpose and the intended audience for the resolution. She explained that the resolution is about equity and it is intended for our county residents, community partners and staff. It establishes clear EDI actions for CCBH to which the agency will hold itself accountable. Dr. Williams concluded the Diversity Committee report with the request that the Board entertain approval of resolution 2021-24.

Approval of Resolutions/Motions:

**REGULAR ACTIONS OF THE BOARD:**

It was moved by Dr. Williams, seconded by Dr. Hall, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-24) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to declare racism as a public health crisis.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams; Nays Ms. Moss.

It was moved by Mr. Wang, seconded by Dr. Williams, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-14) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the Health Commissioner to accept additional HealthComp Foundation grant funding in the amount of \$412,717.30 (CCBH to provide an additional \$20,000.00 in In-Kind match).

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

It was moved by Mr. Gatt, seconded by Mr. Wang, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-15) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the Health Commissioner to accept the Ending the HIV Epidemic (EtHE) grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration in the amount of \$180,000.00.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

It was moved by Ms. Moss, seconded by Dr. Williams, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-16) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter and execute a contract with Better World Advertising under the 2021/2022 Ending the HIV Epidemic (EtHE) and 2021 HIV/STI Prevention grants from March 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$99,000.00.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

It was moved by Dr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Gatt, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-17) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter and execute a contract with Case Western Reserve University under the 2020/2021 Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) grant from September 30, 2020 through September 29, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$201,692.00.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

It was moved by Ms. Moss, seconded by Dr. Williams, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-18) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter and execute a contract with Paragon CMS in an amount not to exceed \$30,338.00 for lead remediation work at 11167 Bender and 12904 Phillips Avenue, East Cleveland, Ohio 44112 (CRC 2020-125).

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

It was moved by Mr. Wang, seconded by Dr. Williams, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-19) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter and execute a contract with American Builders & Applicators in an amount not to exceed \$39,300.00 for lead remediation work at 1521-1523 Mars Ave. Lakewood, Ohio 44107 (CRC 2021-11).

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

It was moved by Mr. Wang, seconded by Dr. Hall, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-20) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the Health Commissioner to enter and execute a contract with Paragon CMS in an amount not to exceed \$35,267.00 for lead remediation work at 1451-1453 E 134th Street, East Cleveland, Ohio 44112 (CRC 2021-12).

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

It was moved by Dr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Wang, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-21) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve an amendment to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Ohio Nurses Association (ONA) to provide for overtime pay for work on a Board observed Holiday.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

**BOARD ORDERS, RULES, FEES OR REGULATIONS**

It was moved by Mr. Wang, seconded by Dr. Hall, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-22) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to grant a variance from Section 3701-29-12 (P)(2) of the Ohio Administrative Code for the material utilized as a building sewer for the residence at 10375 Spring Hill Drive in Brecksville, OH (PPN: 605-10-006).

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

**FIRST READING:**

None

**SECOND READING:**

None

**THIRD READING:**

It was moved by Mr. Gatt, seconded by Dr. Williams, that the following RESOLUTION (2020-158) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to establish the Cuyahoga County Board of Health's Sanitary Sewer Accessibility and Connection Regulations (ref. enclosed) (First Reading-December 16, 2020, Second Reading-January 27, 2021, Third Reading-February 24, 2021).

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

It was moved by Mr. Wang, seconded by Dr. Williams, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-23) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that approval be given of the Consent Agenda as set forth in the attached schedules:

Schedule A	Appropriation Measures.
Schedule B	Cash Transfers.
Schedule C	Routine Personnel Actions.
Schedule D	Employee Training and Travel Expenses.
Schedule E	Approval of Vouchers. (Available upon request)
Schedule F	CRC Report and Other Contracts.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

Health Commissioner's Report – (10:24 a.m. – 11:02 a.m.)  
(1) COVID-19 Response Update (10:24 a.m. – 11:02 a.m.)

Public and Staff Comments (three-minute maximum) – N/A.

It was moved by Ms. Moss, seconded by Mr. Wang, that pursuant to Resolution 1993-43 and O.R.C. Sec 121.22 the Board Adjourn to Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang, Dr. Williams.

Executive Session began at 11:03 a.m.

Dr. Williams left the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Executive Session ended at 11:46 a.m.

Miscellaneous Business –

Thereupon, it was also moved by Dr. Hall, seconded by Ms. Moss, that the following RESOLUTION (2021-25) be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following personnel items:

Promotion(s):

- A. Tom Fink, Sanitarian Supervisor, Grade F, \$64,905.31 annually effective March 1, 2021.
- B. Zachary Levar, Grant Supervisor, Grade F, \$62,578.59 annually effective March 1, 2021.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang.

Thereupon, it was moved by Mr. Gatt, seconded by Dr. Hall, that the following Motion be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

The Secretary called the roll:

Ayes: Dr. Hall, Ms. Moss, Mr. Gatt, Mr. Wang.

**SCHEDULE A**  
**APPROPRIATION MEASURES**

1. Establish Budgets

- A. Establish a budget for the 2021/2022 Ending the HIV Epidemic (EtHE) A Plan grant in the amount of \$180,000.00 (ref. enclosed).

2. Budget Revisions

- A. Budget revision in the 2019/2021 Health Comp grant to increase the budget by \$198,363.00 (ref. enclosed).
- B. Budget revision in the 2020/2021 Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A COVID-19 Response grant to redistribute \$13,306.00 (ref. enclosed).
- C. Budget revision in the 2019/2021 USDA Farm to School grant to redistribute \$4,600.00 (ref. enclosed).
- D. Budget revision in the 2020/2021 COVID-19 Contact Tracing Supplemental grant to redistribute \$466,077.00 (ref. enclosed).

**SCHEDULE B**  
**CASH TRANSFERS**

1. Operating Transfers

None

2. Residual Equity Transfers

None



**SCHEDULE C**  
**ROUTINE PERSONNEL ACTIONS**

Unless otherwise specifically indicated, said appointments shall be effective as of the beginning of the next pay period following completion and satisfaction of any post offer requirements and signature as determined by the Director of Organizational Development.

Ratify Appointment(s):

- A. Kriss Sargent, Sanitarian in Training, Grade C, \$41,149.00 annually, effective February 16, 2021.
  
- B. Melissa Kolenz, Grant Program Manager, Grade E, \$53,968.00 annually, effective February 15, 2021.

**SCHEDULE D**  
**EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES**

Administration

None

Environmental Public Health

None

Epidemiology, Surveillance and Informatics

None

Prevention and Wellness

- a. HIV/STI Disease Intervention Specialists to provide partner notification and linkage to care January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 – Ashtabula, Geauga, Lake, Lorain and Medina counties.

\*Professional education under ONA contract.

**SCHEDULE F**  
**CRC REPORT AND OTHER CONTRACTS**

## A. CRC Report

1. February 2, 2021 Meeting (ref. enclosed):

Tabled Items

CRC 2021-8: Contract - Philip Bartosh - \$7,000.00

Contract Approvals

CRC 2021-9: Medina County Combined General Health District - \$20,000.00

2. February 16, 2021 Meeting (ref. enclosed):

No Exchange of Funds

CRC 2020-10: ODH Equipment Loan Agreement

CRC 2020-11: Contract award authorizations for lead remediation to be rescinded due to home owner requirement not being met:

<u>CRC#</u>	<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Award</u>
2020-126	Paragon CMS	1169 Winston, South Euclid	\$17,183.00

Contract Approvals

CRC 2021-8: Philip Bartosh - \$7,000.00

CRC 2021-14: Cleveland Rape Crisis Center - \$2,100.00

CRC 2021-15: WOVU Burten, Bell, Carr Community Radio - \$9,595.00

CRC 2021-16: A.J. Boggs & IXN dba IXN - \$18,494.25

Contract Recommendations for Board Approval

CRC 2021-11: American Builders & Applicators - \$39,300.00

CRC 2021-12: Paragon CMS - \$35,267.00

Contract Authorizations

CRC 2021-13: TNT Construction - \$20,905.00

## B. Other Contracts

None

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

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*Gregory Hall*

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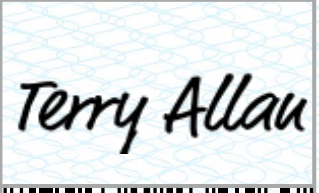

Dr. Gregory L. Hall, President




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