BOARD OF HEALTH'S PROCEEDINGS

State of Colorado
County of Rio Grande

The Rio Grande County Board of Health conducted the regular session on Wednesday, July 5, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Gene Glover at 2:15 PM. A prayer was led by Commissioner Tyler Ratzlaff, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present were County Commissioner Gene Glover, County Commissioner Tyler Ratzlaff, County Administrator William Schoen, Health Department Director, Dr. Kolawole Bankole, and Dianne Koshak, Public Health Nurse Lead.

Adoption of the Agenda

At 2:19 pm, Commissioners Glover made a motion to approve the agenda and the approval of the June 7th, 2023 minutes. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Public Comment

At 2:20 PM: There were no comments.

Actions as the Board of Health (BOH)

Director's Report- Action Needed

At 2:25 PM: Dr. Bankole presented: SLV HCC RGC MOAs, Professional Service Agreements (PSA), and the Division of Labor (DOL). Commissioner Ratzlaff motioned to approve the SLVHCC sub-award agreement FY24 along with the All Clear Agreement, Readiness and Response Coordinator PSA, Clinical Advisor PSA and SOW, and Division of Labor. Commissioner Glover seconded and the items are approved.

National Fitness Campaign updates and next steps: RGC Adoption Resolution.

At 2:33 PM: Dr. Bankole wrote and submitted the National Fitness Campaign grant application on Friday, June 30, 2023, to the tune of $50,000. He also informed the BOH of the need to have an adoption resolution approved and signed by the RGC BOH. The RGC Adoption Resolution was approved and signed. Commissioner Glover also noted that he would be meeting with the Del Norte council members to talk more about its resolution and commitments, the following Monday. The discussion would be regarding placement and maintenance of the facility.

Director's Report - Informational/ Discussions Required Public Health Community Health Needs Assessment (PH CHNA -2023)

At 3:00 PM: Dr. Bankole explained that there is a requirement by the state for all public health agencies to conduct community health needs assessments and community improvement plan. The last one was conducted in 2018 and is conducted in intervals of 5 years. We are working with the Colorado Health Institute to conduct the original community health needs assessment.
and also a specific county-specific community evidence assessment. Dr. Bankole explained that there are going to be key informal interviews, one will be with the county commissioners the second one will be with the hospitals and the third one is going to be with the community. This will identify needs in the community. This is funded through our public health core services and mandated by the state. Information that we gather from this CHNA will be included in our upcoming inaugural Health of Rio Grande County.

PHEP/EPR Educational Presentation update

At 3:02 PM: This is a series that's being presented by the RGC Public Health agency. Presentation was on key and very informative on how to get prepare for emergency. Presentations were made by Brian Burrell, RGC Emergency Manager, along with Logan Montoya, Regional SLV EPR Generalist. Commissioner Ratzlaff attended the presentation, as well as Sheriff Robinson. There were many staff from various county departments and people from the larger community. At the end of the presentation there were 10 Portable Gun safes that were raffled off.

Public Health Officers' Report, Dianne Koshak Public Health Nurse Lead:

At 3:05 PM: Dianne presented an updated performance management scorecard for the period of 1 year July 2022 to June 2023. On-site and off-site vaccination clinics, vaccines, investigations of communicable diseases, incidents, and outbreaks, a monthly blood pressure clinic an average of 21 per month, and a total of 239. Trying to create another blood pressure clinic and will be a resident in our clinical office. Participating in emergency preparedness, response, and recovery, different types of vaccines, and testing. Mostly for clinical services, we operate under three sections, assessment, assurance, and communications Since 2022 there have been 31 homebound Covid vaccines given and 143 shots to different people in the county. Distributing out baby playpens to families in need. Our local public health agency is a convener of the CFR, Child Fatality Review Services, across the whole of SLV. They meet twice a year as needed to collaborate from different points of view to see how we can help lower the risks for children. We have got healthcare coalition planning, emergency planning drills, and office call-down drills. So, through our ongoing, all-encompassing SLV agency and SLV EPR organization, we are keeping an open conversation going with many outside partner agencies.

At 3:35 PM, County Commissioner Glover made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Ratzlaff seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Gene Glover
Chairman
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Dr. Kolawole Bankole
Director, Health Department