



# **Kanawha-Charleston Board of Health**

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **February 7, 2018**

#### **Members – Present**

Ms. Brenda Isaac  
Mr. Robert Reishman  
Dr. Arthur Rubin  
Mr. James Strawn  
Mr. Stephen Weber

#### **Presenters**

Dr. Michael Brumage

#### **Member(s) Excused**

Ms. Martha Yeager Walker

#### **1. Call to Order - President, Ms. Brenda Isaac**

President Isaac called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

#### **2. Report of the President – Ms. Brenda Isaac**

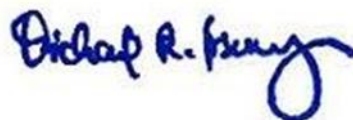
- a. President Isaac asked Dr. Michael Brumage to speak about his appointment by Governor Jim Justice to serve as Director of the Office of Drug Control Policy, in the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, as an employee of West Virginia University. Dr. Brumage thanked the Board and the staff, and said that he loved working for the Kanawha-Charleston Health Department, but felt called to work for the State because of the current opioid epidemic. He added that the final details and contract between WVU and DHHR have not been finalized, and a transfer date has not yet been decided. Ms. Isaac stressed that the Board regrets losing him, but understands he must accept the ODCP job because of the opioid crisis. She reviewed his career and his many advances in care to the community during his tenure at Kanawha-Charleston Health Department. A motion was made by Dr. Rubin and seconded by Mr. Weber to accept the resignation of Michael Brumage as executive director and health officer of the Kanawha-Charleston Health Department at a mutually agreeable date certain. Provided, That for the purpose of ministerial duties of the health officer, including but not limited to billing, standing orders and signing permits, Dr. Brumage will remain as health officer until this board takes further action. Further provided, That after the date of his resignation, Dr. Brumage will receive no financial compensation or other benefits and will not be involved in the active management or policy-making process at the Kanawha-Charleston Health Department. The motion passed.
- b. A motion was made by Dr. Rubin and seconded by Mr. Strawn that Lolita Kirk be appointed acting executive director until this board takes further action. The motion passed.
- c. Dr. Rubin moved and Mr. Reishman seconded that the Board adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel matters. The motion passed.
- d. Dr. Rubin moved and Mr. Reishman seconded that the Board adjourn the executive session. The motion passed.

- e. President Isaac reported no action arose from the executive session. Under public comment, Public Information Officer John Law reported the Kanawha Charleston Health Department would be giving free flu shots in partnership with the Kanawha County Commission at the Town Center on Thursday, February 8, 2018, and at the Kanawha County Courthouse on Friday, February 9, 2018.

#### 4. Adjournment

Mr. Reishman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Weber. The motion passed and meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael R. Brumage, MD, FACP  
Secretary

