

Weber-Morgan Board of Health
Minutes of Meeting
May 19, 2025

The Weber-Morgan Board of Health held its regular and annual meeting on May 19, 2025 in the Health Department Annex at 455 23rd Street. The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m. with Angela Choberka presiding.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Angela Choberka	Sharon Bolos	Lee Schussman	Tiffany Bears
Cheryle Allen	Vaughn Nickerson	Neal Berube	Kevin Eastman
Ali Martinez	Ken Johnson		

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Frank Brown
Bonnie Wahlen
Gina Buttars

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brian Cowan	Michela Harris	Bryce Sherwood	Lori Buttars
Scott Braeden	Sean Hansen	Jarelyn Cox	Bryce Sherwood
Amy Carter	Lekelsi Talbot		

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lauren Thomas Dr. Greg Gouchner
Joy Harris (PHAB)

Welcome and Introductions – Angela Choberka

Angela Choberka calls the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. and welcomes those in attendance.

Approval of Board of Health Minutes of March 24, 2025.

Motion Passes

A **MOTION** is made by Cheryle Allen and **SECONDED** by Dr. Schussman to approve the minutes as written. The **MOTION** passes unanimously.

Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) Presentation
Sean Hansen

Information Only

Joy Harris from PHAB highlighted the benefits of accreditation, including improved quality improvement, employee training, and community health equity. Key metrics: 100% reported stimulation of quality improvement, 93% improved employee training, and 80% applied equity to internal policies. Challenges include limited staff time, staff turnover, and leadership changes. The annual cost for Category 2 departments is \$8,400. The meeting also addressed the feasibility of choosing pathways over accreditation, noting limited data due to the newness of the pathways program. Dr. Schussman asked about return on investment for increased public trust and credibility that may come with accreditation. PHAB provides numerous public information materials including press releases to highlight the department once accredited. Angela Choberka asks for follow-up statistics about LHD retention rates for re-accreditation. Staff will find those numbers and report back.

Dr. Gochmour Presentation**Information Only**

Dr. Gregory Gouchnor introduces himself and outlines his contractual role with the health department, which includes authorizing standing orders and guiding shared clinical decision-making. He discusses various public health programs he supports, including cancer screening, tuberculosis care, immigration health checkups, and infectious disease monitoring, management, and treatment.

2024 Annual Report Presentation – Brian Cowan**Information Only**

Brian introduces the report which includes detailed program service numbers, financial information, progress the department has made on strategic plan goals, and some successful division QI projects

Chair's Report-Angela Choberka**Information Only**

Angela Choberka thanks the presenters, staff and BOH members for their work and participation.

The Annual Meeting adjourns at 5:48 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on June 23, 2025.