



Berkshire Public Health Alliance
1 Fenn Street Suite 201, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201

Berkshire Public Health Alliance Governing Board Agenda
Thursday, September 18, 2021
5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

This was a **Hybrid Meeting** as allowed by Ch. 20 of the Acts of 2021 suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30 sec.20.

In-person: 1 Fenn St, Suite 201, Pittsfield, MA and **via Zoom**

Minutes

1. Welcome, Roll Call, Minutes by Chair Jim Huebner
 - Quorum Noted:
 - Active/inactive municipality status
Mt Washington, Florida, W. Stockbridge, Cheshire, Sandisfield
 - Minutes from 9/19/21 approved
2. New Staff Updates:
 - Welcomed Colin Sykes
 - Administrator advertising
 - Epidemiologist/CHW – advertising. Waiting on CHW
3. Grants Update
 - FDA Grant – Update by Sandra Martin
 - i. Governing Board approved the concept for applying for the FDA grants as Groups 1 and 2 based on readiness to meet FDA Program Standards at previous meeting.
 - ii. Governing Board agreed to accept FDA policies in Food Program as they are developed. These policies will be used by the Alliance Inspectors.
 - iii. AFDO Grants ending. Will complete Egremont and North Adams re-assessments for \$2500 each.
 - PHE Grant – Updates by Laura Kittross
 - ELC Grant – Updates by Laura Kittross
4. Annual Budget Report by Laura Kittross
5. Current Public Health Issues by Laura Kittross
 - COVID-19 (cases, hospitalizations, vaccination updates)
 - Pediatric COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics Update
 - Flu Clinic Recap
 - Inspectional Services Report
 - Syringe Access Update (Jennifer Kimball)

6. State & Regional Updates by Laura Kittross
 - SAPHE 2.0
 - Local Public Health ARPA Funding Ask
 - PH Academic Volunteer Corps
 - Coordination w/ the South Berkshire PH Collaborative

7. Any Unforeseen Business - None noted

8. Upcoming Meeting Dates
 - January 13, 2022
 - March 10, 2022
 - June 9, 2022

9. Upcoming Events
 - Alternate Fridays: BOH Working Group (next meeting 12/3 (skip 11/26))
 - Dr. Doyle calls – Wednesday as needed, contact if you want to be added to the list
 - Tuesdays at 3:00 PM, DPH LBOH Webinars
 - ADC Meetings, first Tuesday at 2:00 PM

10. Meeting Adjourned and then Birthday Cake & 10th Anniversary Celebration began.