



Board of Health

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DUBUQUE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2026 | 5 p.m.

Dubuque County West Campus Conference Room, 1225 Seippel Rd. Dubuque, IA & via Zoom

Call to Order: Chair Dolter called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. (in person & Zoom).

Roll Call:

Board Members (In Person):

- Sandra Larson
- Kathy Dolter
- Jeff Metcalf
- Mitchell Edwards

Board Members (Virtual):

- Lynn “Tut” Fuller

Board Members (Absent):

- Jack Dolehide
- Preeti Joseph

Liaison (Virtual):

- Ann McDonough, Board of Supervisors Liaison

Internal Staff:

- Allie White
- Bailey Avenarius (virtual)
- John Sewell
- Emma Hilkin
- Tina Daubenberger

Contracted Staff:

- Stacey Killian
- Kiane Smith

Members of the Public:

- Diane Pape Freiburger
- Jay Schmitt
- Carla Kasal

- Deb Anglin
- Mary Rose Corrigan
- Chuck Isenhardt

Quorum Established: at 5:00 PM

Public Comment: None

Chairperson Announcements & Updates Dolter thanked the VNA for hosting its recent open house and expressed appreciation for the opportunity to learn more about the organization's services and programs. She also requested that the public health impacts of data centers be discussed at a future meeting. Dolter noted that while SF2432 (An Act eliminating a city's ability to create a city board of health or a city health department, which would eliminate City of Dubuque Department of Health) did not pass, it is important to have a plan in place should similar legislation be reintroduced. She concluded by discussing HF2707, which was approved and will divide the state into public health districts. Dubuque County will be included in a district representing approximately one-third of the state's population. She emphasized the importance of public health agencies proactively preparing for these changes, as funding will be distributed equally among the districts.

BOS / BOH Liaison Comments Supervisor McDonough commented on the topic of data centers, noting the significant public interest and concern surrounding the issue. She encouraged the Board of Health to remain informed and consider how the Public Health Department may assist the Board of Supervisors and the Zoning Commission as discussions and planning efforts related to data centers continue.

Approval of Agenda for May 20, 2026: Motion by Larson, seconded by Metcalf; approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Board of Health Meeting March 18, 2026: Motion by Edwards, seconded by Metcalf; approved unanimously.

Board of Health Special Meeting April 20, 2026: Motion by Metcalf, seconded by Edwards; approved unanimously.

Presentations & Reports

DCPH Monthly Report - Allie White White provided her written report, which was included in the meeting packet. No additional questions or discussion were raised by the Board.

VNA Monthly Report - Stacey Killian Killian provided her written report, which was included in the meeting packet. No additional questions or discussion were raised by the Board.

VNA iSmile Annual Report - Kiane Smith Smith provided her written report, which was included in the meeting packet. Edwards inquired whether the system has the capability to distinguish between new and returning clients. Smith stated that she would investigate the

matter and provide additional information. Fuller asked whether funding opportunities exist to provide oral hygiene supplies for students to brush their teeth at school. Smith indicated that she plans to discuss the topic further this summer in preparation for the upcoming school year. Kiane encouraged the Board to remain informed on discussions regarding fluoride, noting that the topic continues to receive attention across the state.

Action Items

SF 2432- Past and Future Action Supervisor McDonough emphasized the importance of understanding the rationale behind the proposed legislation. White stated that she will work collaboratively with City of Dubuque Health Services to proactively prepare should similar legislation be reintroduced in the future. Motion by Fuller, seconded by Edwards; approved unanimously.

Schedule Board of Health Ad Hoc Committee Meeting to Review Opioid Settlement Applications The Ad Hoc Committee will coordinate schedules and identify a date to review the Opioid Settlement Fund applications.

Schedule Board of Health Special Meeting for Opioid Settlement Fund Purchase of Service Recommendations The Ad Hoc Committee scheduled the review of the Opioid Settlement Fund applications for June 8 at 12:00 p.m. Motion by Larson, seconded by Edwards; approved unanimously.

Schedule Board of Health Ad Hoc Committee Meeting for Review of UDC Public Health Ordinances The Ad Hoc Committee scheduled to review the UDC Public Health Ordinances on June 17 at 4:00 p.m. Motion by Larson, seconded by Metcalf; approved unanimously.

Enforcement Provisions for Local Ordinance Chapter 32 Motion to approve enforcement language by Larson, seconded by Metcalf; approved unanimously.

Enforcement Provisions for Local Ordinance Chapter 33 Motion to approve enforcement language by Larson, seconded by Metcalf; approved unanimously.

Enforcement Provisions for Local Ordinance Chapter 34 Motion to approve enforcement language by Larson, seconded by Metcalf; approved unanimously.

Combat Cancer 28E Agreement with Marion County Public Health White reviewed the proposed 28E Agreement, which was included in the meeting packet. Board members discussed several concerns related to the agreement, including subcontracting provisions, fund distribution responsibilities, legal considerations, and language that was perceived as lacking specificity. Following discussion, the Board agreed to table the item until additional information and clarification are provided. Motion by Larson, seconded by Metcalf; approved unanimously.

Response to Public Questions None

Unfinished Business

VNA Carenet Update It was reported that all affected patients were assisted in securing alternative care arrangements to ensure continuity of services.

New Business

Iowa Public Health System Alignment Dolter reviewed the Iowa Public Health System Alignment information included in the meeting packet. Following discussion, the Board determined that it would not pursue as a Lead Entity due to the capacity and responsibilities the role would require. Board members were encouraged to submit any questions or concerns to Allie by June 17 for further consideration.

Board Communication & Reports Larson thanked the VNA for hosting its recent open house and expressed appreciation for the opportunity to learn more about the organization's services. She also reminded the public of the upcoming primary election on June 2 and encouraged voters to participate.

Next Meeting - June 17, 2026 at 5 p.m.

Public Comment Larson requested that a discussion regarding the environmental and public health impacts of data centers be included under New Business on the next Board agenda. Motion by Larson, seconded by Metcalf; approved unanimously.

Adjournment: Motion by Edwards at 7:03 p.m.

January Board of Health Meeting Attendance				
Name	Time In	Time Out	In person or Zoom	If absent, was notice provided
Sandra Larson	4:15 PM	6:22 PM	In person	
Lynn "Tut" Fuller	4:30 PM	6:22 PM	In person	
Preeti Joseph	4:45 PM	6:22 PM	In person	
Mitchell Edwards	4:27 PM	6:22 PM	In person	
Kathy Dolter	4:00 PM	6:22 PM	In person	
Jack Dolehide	4:25 PM	6:22 PM	In person	
Jeff Metcalf	4:15 PM	6:22 PM	In person	

February Board of Health Meeting Attendance				
Name	Time In	Time Out	In person or Zoom	If absent, was notice provided
Sandra Larson	4:15 PM	6:01 PM	In person	
Lynn "Tut" Fuller				No
Preeti Joseph	4:28 PM	6:01 PM	In person	
Mitchell Edwards	4:31 PM	6:01 PM	Zoom	
Kathy Dolter	4:15 PM	6:01 PM	In person	
Jack Dolehide	4:31 PM	6:01 PM	In person	
Jeff Metcalf	4:15 PM	6:01 PM	In person	

March Board of Health Meeting Attendance				
Name	Time In	Time Out	In person or Zoom	If absent, was notice provided
Sandra Larson	5:00 PM	7:09 PM	In person	
Lynn "Tut" Fuller	5:03 PM	7:09 PM	In person	
Preeti Joseph	5:00 PM	7:09 PM	In person	
Mitchell Edwards	5:00 PM	7:09 PM	In person	
Kathy Dolter	5:00 PM	7:09 PM	In person	
Jack Dolehide	5:00 PM	7:09 PM	Zoom	
Jeff Metcalf	5:00 PM	7:09 PM	In person	

April Board of Health Meeting Attendance for Special Meeting				
Name	Time In	Time Out	In person or Zoom	If absent, was notice provided
Sandra Larson				Yes
Lynn "Tut" Fuller	1:08 PM		Zoom	
Preeti Joseph				Yes
Mitchell Edwards	1:01 PM		Zoom	
Kathy Dolter	1:00 PM		In person	
Jack Dolehide				Yes
Jeff Metcalf	1:00 PM		In person	

May Board of Health Meeting Attendance				
Name	Time In	Time Out	In person or Zoom	If absent, was notice provided
Sandra Larson	5:00 PM	7:03 PM	In Person	
Lynn "Tut" Fuller	5:00 PM	7:03 PM	Zoom	
Preeti Joseph				Yes
Mitchell Edwards	5:00 PM	7:03 PM	In Person	
Kathy Dolter	5:00 PM	7:03 PM	In Person	
Jack Dolehide				No
Jeff Metcalf	5:01 PM	7:03 PM	In Person	