

DRAFT Meeting Notes

Public Health Advisory Council of Snohomish County

July 27, 2022 | 7:30-9:00 a.m. | Snohomish Health District | Rucker Building Auditorium and Zoom Meeting

Members present:

Jason Biermann, Snohomish County DEM
Jean Doerge, Community Member (Chair-Elect)
Lisa George, PRMCE (Chair)
Robert Goetz, Everett Police Department
Patricia Love, City of Stanwood
Shaughn Maxwell, South County Fire and Rescue
Julieta Altamirano-Crosby, Board of Health, Ex Officio Member

Staff Present:

Shawn Frederick
Nicole Thomsen
Sarah de Jong

Members not present:

Kurt Hilt, International Association of Fire Fighters 1828
Korey MacKenzie, Diamond Knot Alehouse
Karri Matau, Community Foundation of Snohomish County

Comings and Goings:

Jason Biermann arrived at 7:32 a.m.
Robert Goetz arrived at 8:00 a.m.

Guests:

Josh Dugan, Snohomish County
Lacey Harper, Snohomish County
Alessandra Durham, Snohomish County

Recording Secretary: Sarah de Jong, Executive Assistant

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. in the auditorium via Zoom video conference by Ms. Jean Doerge.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken by Ms. Sarah de Jong, who reported there was not quorum present.

Mr. Jason Biermann arrived at 7:32 a.m. With his arrival, the PHAC now had a quorum to conduct business.

Approval of Agenda Contents and Order

Ms. Doerge proposed moving the Snohomish County integration briefing earlier in the agenda to accommodate Snohomish County staff member Josh Dugan, who will be providing the briefing.

It was moved by Ms. Lisa George and seconded by Ms. Patricia Love to approve the agenda contents and order as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Briefing

Snohomish County integration update

Mr. Josh Dugan from the Snohomish County Executive's Office shared that this is a very complex project that will take many months and portions of it will move over into the next year. Many people from both the Health District and the County are working toward the common goal of integrating public health into Snohomish County government.

Mr. Dugan shared a presentation of the current status of the work, what has been accomplished, and work that is still in progress.

The County Council will ultimately confirm the name of the new department. The County has solicited Health District staff's opinion on their preference and a strong majority preferred Snohomish County Health District.

There is space on the Strengthening Public Health Advisory Workgroup, on both government and community stakeholders side, for PHAC participation to help guide the process and influence informed decisions. That workgroup has not yet been formed but should be soon.

PHAC members that have questions after this meeting are invited to email them to Ms. Thomsen or Mr. Shawn Frederick to pass along to the County for answer.

Approval of Minutes of the special meeting of June 29, 2022

It was moved by Mr. Shaughn Maxwell and seconded by Ms. George to approve the minutes of the special meeting of June 29, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting of May 25, 2022

It was moved by Ms. George and seconded by Mr. Maxwell to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 25, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

Special Business

Election of Chair

As Vice Chair, Ms. Doerge declined to accept the position of Chair at this time. Ms. Doerge opened the floor for nominations for the role of Chair and nominated Ms. Lisa George as Chair. No other nominations were received.

It was moved by Mr. Maxwell and seconded by Ms. Love to approve Lisa George to the role of Chair for the remainder of the year. The motion passed unanimously and Ms. George becomes Chair of the Public Health Advisory Council.

Election of Vice Chair

Ms. Doerge opened the floor for nominations for the role of Vice Chair.

Ms. Lisa George nominated Jean Doerge as Vice Chair. There were no other nominations received.

It was moved by Ms. George and seconded by Mr. Maxwell to approve Jean Doerge to the role of Vice Chair for the remainder of the year. The motion passed unanimously and Ms. George becomes Chair of the Public Health Advisory Council.

Public Comment

Ms. Doerge opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment received and Ms. Doerge closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

Action

2022 Meeting Calendar

This revised calendar would cancel the August and December PHAC regular meetings for 2022.

It was moved by Ms. George and seconded by Ms. Love to approve the cancellation of the August and December 2022 regular PHAC meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

Briefings

Workplan Update

Ms. Nicole Thomsen reminded PHAC members that there are now only three regular meetings for the remainder of the year and that achieving quorum at those meetings is very important to continue the work on items such legislative priorities, community health assessment, and the budget.

2023 Legislative Priorities

This item is being introduced earlier in the year than usual because the next legislative session will be a long session. Bringing this item early allows PHAC members time to digest and share feedback on what they see as priorities for the coming year. Those recommendations will then be shared with the Board of Health for consideration.

Administrative Officer's report

Mr. Shawn Frederick shared the following updates:

- The former Board of Health Chair, Stephanie Wright, has stepped down from that position and Dr. Julieta Altamirano-Crosby was appointed as the Board of Health Chair at its July meeting.
- Dr. James Lewis will be starting as the Health District's Health Officer on Monday and has a busy week already planned.
- Mr. Frederick has announced his plans to step down as the Administrative Officer of the Health District at the end of the year.

Council members shared their appreciation to Mr. Frederick for his guidance and leadership.

Information Items

Upcoming Meetings

Ms. Doerge noted upcoming meetings.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 a.m.