

MALEHA Environmental Health Forum

Minutes from October 20th 2022, 4:00 PM DRAFT

Meeting held via Microsoft Teams

Board of Directors 2022/23:

X Anthony Drautz* Oakland CHD President
X Don Hayduk* Jackson CHD Secretary
X Steve King* CMDHD Director
X Kristin Schweighoefer* Washtenaw CHD Director
X Addie Hambley* Ottawa CHD Director

X Sara Simmonds* Kent CHD Past President
X Chris Westover* Monroe CHD Treasurer
X Tanya Rule* WUPHD Director
X Scott Withington* City of Detroit HD Director

Due to the Secretary's oversight, the MALEHA Member Attendance List for the October 20th Meeting is by Health Department Name Only:

Allegan CHD, Bay CHD, Benzie-Leelanau DHD, Berrien CHD, Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph CHA, Calhoun CHD, Cass-Van Buren DHD, Detroit HD, DHD #4, DHD #10, Genesee CHD, Huron CHD, Ingham CHD, Ionia CHD, Jackson CHD, Kalamazoo CHD, Kent CHD, Lenawee CHD, Livingston CHD, LMAS DHD, Marquette CHD, Mid-MI DHD, Monroe CHD, Oakland CHD, Ottawa CHD, Saginaw CHD, St. Clair CHD, Shiawassee CHD, Tuscola CHD Van Buren-Cass DHD, Washtenaw CHD, Wayne CHD, Western UP DHD,

Members: X Denotes Attendance * Denotes Voting Member

Randy Rapp* Allegan CHD
Rebecca Long (associate) Allegan CHD
Schott Jones (associate) Allegan CHD
Jay Vanstee* Barry-Eaton DHD
Jodi Pessell (associate) Barry-Eaton DHD
Joel Kwiatkowski* Bay CHD
Eric Johnston* Benzie-Leelanau DHD
Nick Margaritis* Berrien CHD
Brian Murphy (associate) Berrien CHD
Paul Andriacchi* Br.-Hillsdale-St. Joe CHA
Joe Frazier (associate) Br.-Hillsdale-St. Joe CHA
Kevin Green* Calhoun CHD
Bob Overley (associate) Calhoun CHD
Shanay Settles (associate) Calhoun CHD
George Friday* Cass-Van Buren DHD
Suzanne Lieurance* Chippewa CHD
Steve King* CMDHD
Jason Travis (associate) CMDHD
Ian Nelson* Delta-Menominee DHD
Cori Upper* DHD #2
Dave Schmidt (associate) DHD #2
Don Rousseau (associate) DHD #2
Kevin Prevost* DHD#4
Michael Kramer* DHD #10
Wade Dishaw* Dickinson-Iron DHD

Bill Hough* Genesee CHD
Tina Moore (associate) Genesee CHD
Brent Wheat* Grand Traverse CHD
Tip MacGuire* Huron CHD
Rod McNeill* Ingham CHD
Meredith Gregory (associate) Ingham CHD
Chad Shaw* Ionia CHD
Matthew Horning (associate) Jackson CHD
Shawn Monroe (associate) Jackson CHD
Lucus Pols* Kalamazoo CHD
Samantha VanDuinen Kalamazoo CHD
Rachel Steining (associate) Kent CHD
Brendan Earl (associate) Kent CHD
Russell Flewelling (associate) Kent CHD
Steven Stoddard* Lapeer CHD
Kasee Johnson* Lenawee CHD
Cindy Merritt (associate) Lenawee CHD
Matt Bolang* Livingston CHD
Amy Aumock (associate) Livingston CHD
Elizabeth Suggitt* LMAS DHD
Nick Derusha (associate) LMAS DHD
Tom Barnes* Macomb CHD
Andrew Cox (associate) Macomb CHD
Patrick Jacuzzo* Marquette CHD
Lonnie Smith* Mid-MI DHD

Bryan Fowler (associate) Mid-MI DHD
Jim Henry* Midland CHD
Bob Wolfe (associate) Midland CHD
Greg Price (associate) Midland CHD
Jason Childress (associate) Monroe CHD
Michael Eslick* Muskegon CHD
Dniel Thorell (associate) NW MI DHD
Jeremy Fruk* NW MI DHD
Mark Hansell (associate) Oakland CHD
Claudia Terrell (associate) Oakland CHD
Laura Riddell (associate) Oakland CHD
Spencer Ballard (associate) Ottawa CHD

Matt Allen (associate) Ottawa CHD
Chris Klawuhn* Saginaw CHD
Steve Ellis (associate) Saginaw CHD
Steve Demick* St. Clair CHD
Bryant Wilke* Sanilac CHD
Casey Elliott* Shiawassee CHD
Katie Plashek (associate) Shiawassee CHD
Jerry White Tuscola CHD
Jackie Bates (associate) Washtenaw CHD
Brandon Morrill (associate) Washtenaw CHD
Theresa Brestovansky* Wayne CHD
Dave Peter (adjunct) Univ. Mich.

Non-member Guests in Attendance:

X Norm Hess - MALPH
X Becky Vought – MDARD
X Shane Green – MDARD
X Larry Bolt – MDARD
X Tim Slawinski – MDARD
X Vern Johnson – MDHHS
X Molly Contant – MDHHS
X Ashley Mark – MDHHS
X Kory Groetch – MDHHS
X Dana DeBruyn – MDEGLE
X Ian Smith – MDEGLE

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting called to order by Tony Drautz at 9:31 AM. Roll Call conducted by Hayduk via County or District Health Department only. This will be corrected beginning with the November meeting.

2. Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda by Westover, Support by Bolang. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the September 14, 2022 minutes by Simmonds. Support by Green. Motion carried.

4. Guest Speakers:

Kristin Ward and Ashley Mark of MDHHS DEH

Topic: Community Engagement Framework

Ward and Mark provided a presentation that described the newly formed Community Engagement Section of the Division of Environmental Health (DEH) within MDHHS. Currently there are 8 sections within DEH to carry out their Mission, Vision and Goals. Likewise, there are 8 Community Engagement Regions in Michigan that each have a Community Engagement Coordinator.

The fundamental role of the Community Engagement Coordinators is to:

- work with LHDs to help find opportunities to engage with their local community
- keep communities updated about emerging issues of environmental importance
- help to communicate emergency information concerning local issues that occur

A current major project that all eight Community Engagement regions are working on is the Drinking Water Campaign. This campaign will provide key information to Michigan residents so they can make

informed decisions, whether it is a private or municipal source. There are three main goals of the Drinking Water Campaign.

Goal 1 – inform all residents about their drinking water. This will include:

- Best practices to protect drinking water sources
- A robust Care for Michigan Drinking Water website. This can be found at <https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/safety-injury-prev/environmental-health> Select the tab for “Care for MI Drinking Water”
- Periodic newsletters. Residents can subscribe to the newsletter at the bottom of the Care for MI Drinking Water webpage or at https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MIDHHS/subscriber/new?topic_id=MIDHHS_701
- Youth Educational Resources that include Activity books, Children’s books, animated videos and other outreach opportunities

Goal 2 – Educate private well owners including:

- MIWell postcard mailer that will direct the recipients to the MIWell website
- MIWell promotion toolkit where residents can order various resources from DEH
- A Well Assessment Project providing residents an opportunity to have their wells inspected and receive tips for protecting and/or upgrading their private wells. This is currently a Pilot Program to determine viability.

Goal 3 – Educating Municipal Water customers which will include:

- Where to find information concerning their water supply
- Other source water protection activities they can participate in.

Statewide, the CE Coordinators are already attending and participating in health fairs, festivals, conferences, farmer’s markets, and other community and school events.

The presenters opened it up to questions.

Q.1: Simmonds asked how LHDs fit into this campaign? Presenters responded that they want to work directly with LHDs to plan coordinated outreach events. LHDs could take the lead, or support the CE Coordinators in this outreach. It is acknowledged that each LHD will have different needs and resources. The campaign **won’t be** a one size fits all approach.

Q.2: Schweighoefer asked if the content currently on or soon to be on the website had any LDH input? They did an extensive literature search for material, a statewide survey of residents, and acquired comments and questions from local residents and other stakeholders, including a marketing agency, to help develop the website.

Q.3: Margaritis asked how the info is getting out to the residents of Michigan? The presenters responded that they are sharing with MALEHA now, LHDs will be directly contacted later, postcards and

other mailings will go out each quarter from Well Logic. The well assessment program is a pilot project in Calhoun County currently to see what works. In addition, a media campaign with TV, Radio and other Ads will be started at a later date.

Nick M. stated that they already send out postcards every year for new wells in their jurisdiction and this may put some confusion into the process if the state is also doing something similar. Coordination should occur.

Q. 4: Schweighoefer asked what the expected interaction with the Type I water supplies will be? Currently, it will mostly be engaging with residents to understand their water quality from the water supply and where it comes from. This may prompt the resident to inquire further with their water supply. If additional funding occurs with the Executive Directive 9 report, then LHDs may be able to also support their Type I supplies with additional outreach.

Q. 4: Drautz asked if the CE Coordinators are going to be the liaison between MDHHS, LHDs and EGLE for most of the emerging issues such as PFAS, VI and others? Groetsch responded that the CE Coordinators are trying to develop links and partnerships in the communities where these events are occurring. **They are not intended to be site specific project managers though.**

5. MALPH Report

Hess informed the group that Jimena Lovelock is the new MALPH President. Other MALPH leadership roles have been filled. There won't be a meeting until after the mid-term elections.

MALPH put in a card of opposition to HB 6101. The bill will most likely resurface in the new year.

MALPH would like to share MALEHA's previous Statewide Sanitary Code document with MAC. Drautz will provide it.

6. MEHA Report

Drautz provided the report. \$33,000 of MDARD Training Funds was provided to MEHA to fund scholarships for the upcoming AEC in March 2023. \$2000 was provided to support a Virtual Component of the conference. Registration fees are increasing to \$190 from the previous \$165 fee.

7. State Department Reports

a. MDARD

Shane Green indicated that MPHI is releasing their Accreditation checklist and worksheets to the Food Committee in November in preparation for a January restart of the Accreditation process.

Becky Vought provided the following updates:

- new maps of assigned areas coming soon
- FDA to provide the 2022 Food Code by December 3rd.

- A STEC genome different from the previous fast food outbreak was confirmed and linked to falafel from Aldi's chain.
- No regulatory activity is anticipated concerning the Kuntry Garden waste situation. A list of possible retail outlets was provided from the Amish based farming operation.
- WUPDHD informed MDARD and MALEHA of a food truck "serving without a license" situation in their jurisdiction.

Tim Slawinski provided that the Cottage Food bill has had some movement. The sponsors made some edits to enable MDARD to provide a "neutral position" on the bill. The Krakum bill also had some food related language stricken from the that legislative bill. LARA is against the Krakum bill.

b. MDHHS

Groetsch provide a brief update on the ED-9 report due in December to the Governor's Office. Local Public Health is a significant part of this report that consists of 2 parts (Policy and Resource Needs). There will be a collaborative reports from EGLE and MDHHS. EGLE will concentrate on the regulatory review while MDHHS will look at going beyond the regulations to support drinking water protection. There will be additional stakeholder and internal staff input into the reports.

LHDs can still reach out to Vern Johnson to provide more input into the reports. A draft document was sent to the workgroup yesterday and they will be meeting on the 29th of October to review it.

EGLE has done a thorough review of the Part 127 regulations. They asked for LPH input on August 29th. Public Sector Consultants is conducting a summary meeting tomorrow, October 15th.

Dr. Travis is taking a new position in Public Health Administration. Dr. Sarah Lyon-Callo is the interim.

c. EGLE Report

Dana DeBruyn provided a short update on their ED-9 Governor's Office report due in December. Public Sector Consultants was sending invites out today for a November 3rd Well Construction and Private Well summary meeting. Eric Oswald has been requested to attend a MALEHA meeting to answer questions and give an overview of EGLE's ED-9 report.

Jodie Shaver of MALPH has sent the Power Point and recording of EGLE's meeting with MALEHA concerning the 6.3 million dollar infusion of LHD support out to MALEHA for those who missed it.

Swimming Pool rules are going to be opened up to address the swim up bar regulations and a stakeholder group will be formed to provide input into these rule edits. It is anticipated to take about a year from start to finish.

SB 184 concerning Lead water filters is generally supported by EGLE. Most of the current language would fall in the EGLE EH Section except for schools on Type II water supplies and Lead filters for day care facilities in which LARA is the lead.

Sara Pearson stated that SB 1169 is an add on to SB 991 that had passed in July of 2022 as Public Act 160. It addresses some of the gaps for adding on/modifying an existing UST by requiring a PE or Qualified Construction Consultant (QCC) to certify that the installation complies with 2018 requirements, including double wall and underneath leak detection systems. Also, deviations from the isolation distances of 800/300 feet is possible if a PE/QCC verifies that groundwater won't be negatively impacted. EGLE is still trying to get Hydrogeological study language inserted into the bill to provide justification for deviations. LARA has also put in a request for this language. The bill is in the introduction stage at this point. There is nothing in this bill for above ground isolation distances.

d. LARA Update

No report provided

8. Officer Reports

a. President

President Drautz sent out the current MALEHA Committee signup lists and indicated that he would like to resurrect the Vapor Intrusion Workgroup from the 2016-17 era. He is asking for volunteers to join. Schweighoefer, Simmonds and Withington indicated their willingness to join. Hayduk will provide background and previous documents to the workgroup.

There will be a meeting on October 25th concerning the Non-community water supply additional LHD funds.

On October 27th, the ED-9 workgroup will meet to discuss the final draft of the report.

In person MALEHA meetings will begin at the December meeting across the street from the MALPH offices at the Michigan Bankers Association located at 507 S. Grand Avenue in Lansing.

b. Treasurer

Treasurer Westover reported that MALEHA has a balance of \$20,177.53 as of October 20th. He is still waiting on a couple of registration payments from the Directors Conference.

9. Committee Reports

a. Food

See the submitted report dated 10/20/22 by Terrell. Key points include Food Committee opposition to HB 5477 Krakum regulations and a neutral position on HB 5671 and 5704 Cottage Food bills. In addition, the food committee drafted an update to the Continental Breakfast handout which has been sent to MDARD for formatting and feedback from industry.

b. Drinking Water

This committee is looking for someone to Chair it.

c. Onsite & Land Use

This committee is looking for someone to Chair it.

d. Legislative

HB 1169 UST Regulation Update covered by EGLE previously. MALPH will be responding to the already passed HB 4455 concerning solid waste. Senate action has not occurred.

e. Training and Technology

Hayduk informed MALEHA that EGLE is piloting a sampling of existing and abandoned drycleaners sites in Jackson and Kent counties similar to the UST Triage program. Based on a risk based algorithm, certain sites are selected for soil gas and groundwater sampling for chemicals associated with dry cleaning operations. MDHHS DEH is also involved to help the LHDs interpret and respond to the sampling results.

10. External MALEHA Reports

a. MALPH NCWS Workgroup

There will be a meeting of the workgroup next week to help determine allocation of the increased funding to LHDs across the state.

b. MDHHS/MALPH/MALEHA ED-9 Workgroup

A near final MDHHS Report will be reviewed by the workgroup on October 27th for final editing. The workgroup has met several times over the last 6 months to develop the report that identifies several areas for public health to “go beyond the regulations” for protecting drinking water for all Michigan residents, regardless of the source of their water.

11. Items from the Board

None

12. Items from Members

None

13. Adjournment

Next meeting will be November 17, 2022 via Microsoft Teams.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Westover, Support Bolang. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:35 AM

Submitted by Don Hayduk 11 15 2022

Approved

MALEHA Secretary