In attendance for meeting: Molly Polverento, Dr. Maurice Reizen, Garry Rowe, Dr. Nino Rodriguez, Mark Kieselbach, Dr. Christina Dokter, Denae Friedheim, Martha Adams, Commissioner Don Vickers, Dr. Sugandha Lowhim, Tim Perrone, Jim Wilson, Christopher Klauwn, Lisa McGiveron, Bill Haun, Rich Estill, Debbie Edokpolo and Wendy Duke-Littlejohn

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Molly Polverento. Molly called for review and approval of minutes. The minutes distributed had the March meeting date on them, but they were actually April’s minutes. Dr. Nino Rodriguez motioned to accept the minutes, with date correction. Dr. Maurice Reizen seconded the motion. Minutes approved with change of date from March 5, 2013 to April 2, 2013.

Announcements: Reminder, BoH meeting will adjourn early in order to reconvene in its other role as the Sanitary Code of Appeals Board to hear an appeal.
Additions to agenda: None
Public comment: None

Welcome Back Denae Friedheim – Molly Polverento
Denae Friedheim did not renew her term at the end of December 2012 to focus on a new business venture. Now that she has things stabilized and noticed that there was a vacancy she re-applied and was re-appointed to the board.

BoH Webpage – Martha Adams
Martha will continue to monitor the page to add things for March. A Smoke-Free message for Mother’s Day was added to the webpage. Members present requested that the ICHD/County Jobs posting have a link added to the page.

Public Health Update – Nancy Hayward
ICHD Budget – There are proposed cuts requested across the board for all departments within Ingham County. ICHD is looking at how to manage a 5% cut. Updates will be given as information is available.
Several Grants – ICHD has received several grants that are up and running and there will be updates given with possible future presentations on the projects that were funded.
Sycamore Creek Grant – ICHD Bureau of Environmental Health received a DEQ Surface Water Grant for bacteria testing and identification of E-coli. Jim Wilson will update as information becomes available.
Provider Recruitment – ICHD will be aggressively recruiting physicians and nurses as there are quite a few vacancies. They are looking at family practice and internal medicine physicians, and nurse practitioners.
ICHD 75th Anniversary – A formal celebration is being planned for June 12th. Board members will be receiving invitations, along with other members of the community. Dr. Reizen is also being invited to not only speak during the event, but will also be giving a video interview to go into the archives.

Eastern Health Center – An official grand opening was held on April 26th with a huge turn out of community members who learned about the clinic and its operation.

Sequestration – The federal government is still in limbo for funding and budgets. Due to this, place holders have been made where the Medicaid Expansion dollars would go in the house and the senate.

Dr. Dean Sienko – Former ICHD Health Officer is taking year absence from MSU and will be working with Surgeon General of the Army and will be in Washington for a year. He is at the highest level for medical public health which is a promotion to Major General. An inaugural ceremony is being held for him later in the month.

Marijuana Summit – There was a very large turnout for the tri-county area summit which was held on April 22nd. Dr. Reizen reported that it was very well done, and hopes to have a summary in the future or invite Amy Moore back to update.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Board of Health meeting – 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 4, 2013 in Conference Room C at the Ingham County Health Department located at 5303 S Cedar Street in Lansing