

Present:

Ronalie Abeyratne

Ixya Vega

Kimberly Kelly

Jenny Thoma

Sabina Nduaguaba

Margaret Karcher

Not present:

Lynn Castro

AGENDA Feb 3, 2022

HEALTH & WELLNESS COMMISSION

Online-Zoom

Time: Jan 11, 2022, 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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February 3, 2022

7:00 pm

Mission Statement

The Health and Wellness Commission strives to advance a culture of wellbeing and vibrant quality of life in Morgantown, West Virginia.

Vision Statement

Morgantown is a place where West Virginians work together to achieve optimal wellbeing for all.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 7:05 PM
- Introductions

2. APPROVE MINUTES:

January 11th, 2022 minutes

3. REPORT ON CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS

4. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

COVID CLINIC

- A stockpile of vaccines and they did the planning for mass vaccinations clinic and a list of people on stand by

5. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS:

A. Survey

- Not everyone is following our pages but they are on the other pages like the greater Morgantown forum gives more views and interactions
- Masters is in Research methodology and
- Maybe do one very strategic survey for the city because things have strategically changed and made it good enough where we could do one every couple of years instead of every year
 - Do them when things strategically change
- Kim will work with her students on a basic survey that will help us narrow down some items to focus on

B. Policy from the state legislature

- Making vaccinations accessible to folks no matter what their citizenship status is
 - Opening code of public health that the state abides by. This year folks are more worried about it. In WV we have a certain amount of vaccines that you need to have for public health
- No standardized training and de-credentialing

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Support studies for Community Engagement

- New faculty that are working on community engagement grants and are submitting applications soon. There are two projects and they are interested in the engagement of the city and HWC.
- It would mainly be a letter of support
 - Sabina has one: training pharmacists to become certified tobacco specialists- it allows them to help patients who want to end tobacco use. WV provided this to pharmacists but there is a clause that pharmacists are not specialists. This would allow them to provide prescriptions for treatment at the same time as the patient to make the process easier for the patient (Re: Smoking specialist)
 - This could help medically underserved populations. It would be a 10 K grant
 - We will be writing a letter in support of this made by
- Community engagement application for Farmaco genomics- for community pharmacists to get training in pharmacologist. Adverse events are fairly frequent in that pharmacists can get training in understanding which medication will have more adverse events and training them to understand genetic testing of interaction of drugs. For people that are receiving anti-depressants, some will take medication something

B. BOPARC

- A lot of surveys and trying to get their ideas ready
- Very fun planning stages

7. PUBLIC PORTION:

ADJOURNMENT: 8:27

Next meeting: March 3, 2022, via Zoom