

BFHD IFPTE Local 17 Board of Health Meeting Summary

Meeting Type: Regular Monthly	Meeting Date: 3/16/11	Meeting Reported By: J. Coleman
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The objective of meeting attendance:

- To serve as a presence of the IFPTE, Local 17 Bargaining Unit at the meetings.
- To monitor and evaluate agenda items for impacts they may have on members of Local 17 bargaining unit.
- To keep membership informed on items of interest discussed.
- To use the public comment portion of the meetings when appropriate and necessary.

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Major Agenda Topics Discussed

BOH did NOT have a quorum. Only announcements were made.

Announcements made by Dr. Jecha:

-May 1st is the anticipated move in date for DSHS

-A job offer has been made to one of the candidates that interviewed for the administrator position

-A youth health survey for Benton County was released recently and indicates that BC youth health is “about average” compared to other counties in the state. The data from the FC survey is not complete.

-National Public Health Week is April 4-10. BFHD supervisors are working on projects to highlight different aspects of Public Health on each day of the week.

-Concerns regarding radiation coming from Japan’s failing nuclear reactors have been coming into BFHD. Callers have been informed that there is no risk from radiation releases and have been discouraged from purchasing potassium iodide to “protect” themselves. Callers have also been referred to the WA State Department of Health website which has excellent information on the radiation releases from Japan. The site will be updated on a daily basis (if necessary) for the time being.

<http://www.doh.wa.gov/Topics/japan2011.htm>

-Dr. Jecha said that a recent poll indicated that the public health work force had been reduced by 19% nation-wide in the last three years...one of the largest reductions compared to other businesses

Positions or Statements of Particular Importance

none

Items Voted Upon During Meeting

none

Agenda Items Unresolved

none

Additional Information