



**Delaware County Health Department
Board of Health Meeting
January 23, 2025**

ATTENDEES

Rosemarie Halt, Chair
Lily Higgins, MD, Vice Chair
Oni Richards
Annemarie Hirsch
P.J. Brennan, MD

Meeting Minutes

- I. There being a duly convened quorum, Chair Rosemarie Halt called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
- II. Chair Announcements
 1. Board of Health Executive Session was held on January 9, 2025
- III. Public Comment - None
- IV. Approval of minutes – motion made by Rosemarie Halt, Annemarie Hirsch approved, Oni Roberts seconded.
- V. Director Updates
 1. Retention analysis
 - a. Compared 2023 staff turnover rate to 2024 staff turnover rate: 81 employees in 2023 and 83 employees in 2024. The turnover rate in 2023 was 33% and 17% in 2024.
 2. Prospect Medical Holdings’ Bankruptcy
 - a. DCHD Wellness Line is available to answer any questions. The DCHD landing page can answer questions as well. DCHD is only receiving a handful of calls but will continue to be available.
- VI. New Business
 1. Epi Update – Dr. Victor Alos Rullan, Epidemiologist
 - a. Presentation on Hep B, RSV, perinatal periods of risk, flu, and infant mortality. It was noted that Delco has a higher number of Flu A in nursing homes and hospitals compared to other counties.
 - b. Today is National Maternal Health Awareness Day. DCHD released its latest Perinatal Periods of Risk (PPOR)
 2. See video recording for the Board’s Q&A regarding the PPOR report findings.
 3. There were no further questions from the Board on the consolidated report.
- VII. Communications 2024 Review – Lora Werner for Matt Rankin, Communications Specialist
 1. Discussed DCHD’s social media presence, earned and paid media efforts, and video productions. Good end-of-year information and showed how things have progressed with DCHD’s accomplishments.
 2. Lora thanked the Board of Health members for their support.
- VIII. Public Comment – None
- IX. Motion to adjourn made by Vice Chair Lily Higgins; approved by Rosemarie Halt, seconded by P.J. Brennan.

Next meeting is March 27 at the County Council Room, 201 W. Front St., Media PA. There will be public notice of the location.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lora Werner, DCHD Director