

ALAMEDA COUNTY
LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM

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DATE: February 22, 2019

TO: Directors and Alternates
Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

FROM: Larry Brooks, Secretary
Joint Powers Authority

SUBJECT: **Meeting of the Board of Directors**

The next regular meeting of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for **Thursday, February 28, 2019. The meeting will begin a 9:15 a.m., or immediately following the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting at the Alameda County Administrator's Office, 1221 Oak Street, 2nd Floor, Room 255, Oakland, CA.**

Attached is the agenda packet for the meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Lidice De La Fuente at (510) 567-8291.

Please note change in meeting room.

Thank you.

Attachments

ALAMEDA COUNTY LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

AGENDA

General Board Meeting

February 28, 2019

9:15 A.M. or immediately following the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting

Alameda County Administrator's Office
1221 Oak Street, 2nd Floor, Room 255
Oakland, California

NOTICE: All meetings of the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors are open to the public. Those wishing to address the Board of Directors on items not on the agenda may do so during the open forum section of the meeting.

- 1) **Open Forum** (Discussion)
Directors, alternates, staff, or members of the public may address the Board of Directors regarding items not on the agenda. The Board will listen to matters presented but may not take action on these items.
- 2) **Director Report** (Information)
- 3) **March 2019 JPA Meeting** (Action)
- 4) **Letter to California Department of Public Health
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch** (Action) Pg. 1
- 5) **Program Operations Committee**
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- 6) **Administration and Finance Committee**
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- 7) **General Board Meeting**
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- 8) **Announcements by Board Directors** (Information)

Material related to an item on this Agenda, including those submitted to the Board of Directors after distribution of the agenda packet, and are available for public inspection at the Alameda County Healthy Homes Department office during normal business hours.

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William C. Hale, R.E.H.S., Chief
Environmental Program Manager I
Lead Hazard Reduction Section
California Department of Public Health
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch, MS 7507
50 Marina Bay Parkway, Building P, Third Floor, Richmond, CA 94804-6403

Dear Mr. Hale:

As the lawsuit filed by Alameda County and nine other jurisdictions draws to an end, these public agencies will soon receive significant funding to conduct lead hazard abatement work. To successfully complete the work within the four year window created by the court order will be a significant challenge. If the funds are not expended within the court-ordered window for abatement activities, unexpended funds must be returned to the defendants, reducing the amount of lead remediation that will be completed. Consequently, we need to increase the number of certified individuals capable of performing testing, risk assessment, supervision, and completion of lead hazard reduction work by shortening the period of timelines for training and examination.

To prevent the potential loss of funds, the Board of Directors at the Alameda County Lead Poisoning Prevention Program urges the California Department of Public Health to do the following:

- Increase the number of lead hazard-related construction certification exam opportunities
- Arrange to offer certification exams in additional locations so as to increase the number of examinees
- Provide expeditious review and approval of applications for certification

We understand the Department may face barriers or other challenges to expanding testing opportunities and accelerating the application review process. Our Board of Directors and legislative supporters are eager to be of assistance wherever possible. We hope to discuss the above-listed items with you in the near future.

Please contact Larry Brooks, Alameda County Healthy Homes Program Director for further discussion. He can be reached at 510-567-6852 or via email at larry.brooks@acgov.org. Thank you in advance for your partnership.

Sincerely,

John J. Bauters, Chairman
Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors

CC: Paint Litigation Planning Work Group

Hon. Lynette Gibson McElhaney, City of Oakland • Hon. Susan Wengraf, City of Berkeley
Hon. Malia Vella, City of Alameda • Hon. John J. Bauters, City of Emeryville
Hon. Wilma Chan, Alameda County • Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

**PROGRAM OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

January 24, 2019

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Mary Hatsume Vella, Alameda; Susan Wengraf, Berkeley; Lynette Gibson McElhaney, Oakland; John J. Bauters, Emeryville

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

Alternates: Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda

Staff: Lidice De La Fuente; Dale Hagen

Others:

Absent:

Director John J. Bauters opened the Program Operations Committee meeting at 9:35 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

2) **Director's Report**

Healthy Homes Manager, Dale Hagen, informed Directors that Secretary of the Board, Larry Brooks, is attending the California Association of Code Enforcement Officers meeting in Long Beach, CA. Mr. Brooks is expected to attend the February 28th, 2019 JPA meeting.

Board Directors and Department Staff welcomed Oakland Councilmember Lynette Gibson McElhaney who replaces former Oakland Councilmember, Desley Brooks.

Mr. Hagen informed Directors that the Department of Toxic Substances Control is hosting a regional update meeting at Elihu Harris State Building in Oakland on Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019 from 6:00-8:00PM. Topics to be presented include Lead Acid Battery Recycling, Investigation and Clean up. The announcement was distributed at the meeting.

Mr. Hagen referenced an article, "Oakland's Lead Paint Problem Persists", by Oakland Magazine which both Mr. Brooks and Director Gwen Hardy were interviewed. The article informs of a lead poisoned child with high blood lead levels in North Oakland and the city's response in addressing lead hazards.

Furthermore, an article by Discover Magazine June 2018 edition informs of dental evidence of environmental exposures. The article indicates that teeth and bones can reveal past exposure of lead and other elements/chemicals before birth noting that African American children are more exposed.

3) **Outreach and Education Monthly Report**

Assistant Secretary of the Board, Lidice De La Fuente, stated that in December 208 the Department conducted a healthy homes and lead poisoning prevention training for the Berkeley's Tobacco Program and staffed the Emeryville Holiday Tree Lighting.

4) **Announcements by Board Directors**

There were no announcements by Board Directors.

Meeting adjourned 9:43 A.M.

**ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

January 24, 2019

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Mary Hatsume Vella, Alameda; Susan Wengraf, Berkeley; Lynette Gibson McElhaney, Oakland; John J. Bauters, Emeryville

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

Alternates: Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda

Staff: Lidice De La Fuente; Dale Hagen

Others:

Absent:

Director John J. Bauters called into order the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting at 9:43 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

2) **Director's Report**

Dale Hagen stated the JPA Director's contact list had been updated to reflect new Board members contact information. Director Hardy asked for a paper copy.

The Department is in contract negotiations with City of Oakland for minor home repair services. Recently, the Department submitted a Request for Proposal to serve as program administrator for the minor home repair program for city of Union City. If awarded the Department will continue to administer Union City's minor home repair program.

3) **Announcements by Board Directors**

There were no announcements by Board Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM

ALAMEDA COUNTY LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM
GENERAL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES

January 24, 2019

Attendance:

Voting Directors: Mary Hatsume Vella, Alameda; Susan Wengraf, Berkeley; Lynette Gibson McElhaney, Oakland; John J. Bauters, Emeryville

Non-Voting Directors: Gwen Hardy, Community Representative

Alternates: Sarah Oddie, County of Alameda

Staff: Lidice De La Fuente; Dale Hagen

Others:

Absent:

Director John J. Bauters opened the General Board Meeting at 9:45 A.M.

1) **Open Forum**

2) **Director's Report**

Dale Hagen stated the Department hosted a paint litigation planning meeting on January 23, 2019. During the open forum of the meeting, Association of Northern California Environmental Consultants (ANCEC) informed that training resources for qualified workforce is a challenge to carry out lead remediation work and implementing the lead litigation funds. Directors expressed their concern about the training challenges noting the need for expediting training process and certifications, regional and State coordination and spending the funds. Directors asked staff to draft a letter to the State of California Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch and other officials requesting to increase the number of certification exams and to diversify the locations where the certifications are held to make them more accessible to people. Lastly, the Department continues discussions about the lead paint litigation with City of Oakland. Directors asked for clarification on the timeline for implementation.

Mr. Hagen informed that Mr. Brooks appeared before the Grand Jury Subcommittee for independent living homes along with other key stakeholders on January 10th, 2019. The purpose is to gather more information and for the Grand Jury to provide for recommendations. A report on the findings is expected June 2019.

3) **Approval of Minutes -Program Operations Committee**

a) **Minutes (December 20, 2018)**

Action: The Board approved the meeting minutes for the December 20, 2018 Program Operations Committee meeting.

Moved: Susan Wengraf **Seconded:** Mary Hatsume Vella **Ayes:** 3- Vella; Wengraf; Bauters

Abstain: McElhaney

4) **Approval of Minutes -Administration and Finance Committee**

a) **Minutes (December 20, 2018)**

Action: The Board approved the meeting minutes for the December 20, 2018 Administration and Finance Committee meeting.

Moved: Mary Hatsume Vella **Seconded:** Susan Wengraf **Ayes:** 3- Vella; Wengraf; Bauters

Abstain: McElhaney

5) **Approval of Minutes -General Board Meeting**

a) **Minutes (December 20, 2018)**

Action: The Board approved the meeting minutes for the December 20, 2018 General Board meeting.

Moved: Susan Wengraf **Seconded:** Mary Hatsume Vella **Ayes:** 3- Vella; Wengraf; Bauters

Abstain: McElhaney

6) **Announcements by Board Directors**

There were no announcements by Board Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 10:22 A.M.