

Erie County Board of Health

Monday, February 9, 2022

Zoom Conference Call

12:00 pm

Present:

Richard A. Ortoski, DO, Chair

Carla Picardo, MD, MPH

Mary Jean Taylor, PhD

Timothy Zieziula, JD

Excused:

Laura Lewis, PhD, LSW

Absent:

Bishop Clifton McNair, III

Also In Attendance:

Breanna Adams

Mark Matlock

Tina Burling

- I. Call to Order - Dr. Ortoski, Board Chairperson, called an ad hoc meeting of the Board of Health to order at 12:06 p.m.
- II. Public Comments - none
- III. Presentations - none
- IV. Approval of Minutes - tabled until next meeting
- V. Board Updates - tabled until next meeting
- VI. Director's Report - tabled until next meeting
- VII. Financial Report - tabled until next meeting
- VIII. Old Business - tabled until next meeting
- IX. New Business
 - i. Appointment of New Board Members
 1. The new member vetting procedure was reviewed.
 2. Curricula vitae of two proposed new members were reviewed.
 3. It was agreed that the two physicians would bring a unique and valued perspective to the board, representing the board in various areas of public health.
 4. T. Zieziula motioned to accept nominations of Ferdinand Merarchi, D.O. and Timothy Pelkowski, M.D. to membership of the Erie County Board of Health, seconded by M.J. Taylor. There was no further discussion. All in favor.
 - ii. Appointment of New Director of Erie County Department of Health

1. E. Mrenak's resume was reviewed. She has worked at ECDH since February 2021 as the Director of Strategy & Policy and then as the Deputy Director.
 2. M.J. Taylor motioned to approve appointment of Erin Mrenak, MPA as Director of Erie County Department of Health, seconded by Dr. Picardo. No further discussion. All in favor.
- X. The next regular meeting of the Board of Health will be March 7, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom.
- XI. Adjournment - T. Zieziula motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:41 p.m., seconded by Dr. Picardo. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Burling, Recording Secretary