

GOVERNOR'S LEAD POISONING PREVENTION COMMISSION

Maryland Department of the Environment
1800 Washington Boulevard
Baltimore MD 21230

Approved as written (2/17/11)

Thursday, January 6, 2011

COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE

Alvin Bowles, Patrick Connor, Cheryl Hall, P. Randi Johnson, Edward Landon, Patricia McLaine, Barbara Moore, Pam Putman, Linda Roberts, and Mary Snyder-Vogel.

COMMISSIONERS UNABLE TO ATTEND

Eric Lomboy, Melbourne Jenkins, and Delegate Nathaniel Oaks

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Kory Lemmert – CECLP, Patricia Vauls – BCHD, Kathy Howard – MMHA, Paula Montgomery – MDE, Tracy Smith – MDE and Donna Webster – Wicomico County Health Dept. (via phone)

Introductions – The meeting began at 9:40 AM.

Old Business - Minutes from the December 2, 2010 meeting were approved.

Future Meeting Dates

First Thursday of every month. All meetings are scheduled for 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM at the Maryland Department of the Environment, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21230. The next Lead Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 17, 2011.

Task Force Update

The next task force meetings are scheduled for January 20, 2010 and January 27, 2010 at the Maryland Department of the Environment.

In response to the letter mailed out in December, Pat McLaine provided a summary of responses as a hand out in this meeting. Pat McLaine stated that the report may have incomplete information. Not all requested individuals responded. Report projected to be completed by February.

Setting the Commissions' Agenda for 2011

Patrick Connor recommends developing a matrix of registration and qualified offer data to establishing an agenda for the Commission in 2011.

Mary Snyder-Vogel recommends the Commission develop a matrix of financial resources for lead. Mary Snyder-Vogel recommends the Commission to focus their efforts on owner occupied.

Alvin Bowles made the recommendation to look at not only owner occupied, but non-affected properties as a whole, because data supports that they are being lead poisoned in these properties.

Pat McLaine recommends that the Commission look at applicable data to make a decision on where the Commission should focus efforts.

Agency Updates

MDE – Alvin Bowles

Registration Bill in Annapolis legislature. This Bill will allow the Department to stagger registration.

DHMH – Pam Putman

Announced the new Secretary of DHMH is Joshua Sharfstein.

DHCD – Ed Landon

DHCD is offering free training for code officials, inspector, etc. Testing is now being offered for ICC- see DHCD website for more information. www.ICCstate.org offers a download for applying green code. Energy is a big portion of green code because there is funding sources available for this.

BCHD – Pat McLaine for Eric Lomboy

Lauren Necochea replacing Madeline Shea at Healthy Homes.

Office of Child Care – Cheryl Hall

Cheryl Hall from the Office of Childcare introduced Patricia Vauls of Baltimore City Health Department, Environmental Inspection Services to present “Lead Safe Environment Report”: for Baltimore City Day Care Centers.

- Sanitarians from BCHD perform these day care center inspections. They are supervised by Ms. Ball.
- Report shows current status of the day care center. Not all centers were on the report only new applicants and those centers wishing to expand.
- Ed Landon of DHCD is requesting that day care centers that are in denial status be referred to DHCD for funding. Kenny Strong is the contact person from DHCD.
- Kory Lemmert of the Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning said that they may be able to coordinate with Office of Child Care for possible funding to aid owners of day care centers that were denied status because they did not meet applicable regulations. Discussions to continue. Kory will update at the next Commission meeting.

- Patrick Connor expressed concerns about day care centers that fail inspections but continue receiving federal subsidies. Cheryl Hall stated that there is a process that may stop “Purchase of Care” subsidies, however this process may involve appeals on the owner’s part before the funds are terminated.
- Pat McLaine recommended that a report of this detail be created statewide, but include not only new and expanding applicants, but all centers status in Maryland.
- For a more complete list of statewide day care centers go to Marylandpublicschools.org

Maryland Insurance Administration – P. Randi Johnson

No updates

Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning – Kory Lemmert

Governor O’Malley is holding a health issues conference at Coppin State University on Monday January 10, 2011 from 9 am - 3 pm. Lead is one breakout session that is occurring from 10:45 am – 12:45 pm. Mary Snyder-Vogel is facilitation this session with Ruth Ann Norton of the Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM