

LEAD POISONING PREVENTION COMMISSION

Maryland Department of the Environment
1800 Washington Boulevard
Baltimore MD 21230

Approved 2/5/09

Thursday, January 8, 2009

COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE

Eric Lomboy, Cheryl Hall, Melbourne Jenkins, Edward Landon, Patricia McLaine, Barbara Moore, Valerie Paton, Linda Roberts, and Mary Snyder-Vogel.

COMMISSIONERS UNABLE TO ATTEND

Alvin Bowles, Patrick Connor, Nathaniel Oaks, and Dr. Lee Woods.

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Terry Phillips – MDE, Pam Putnam – DHMH, Ruth Ann Norton – CECLP, Lesa Hoover – AOBA, Kelley Ordonio – JHHC, Michael Papi – JHHC, Kathy Howard – MMHA, Sarah Keogh – CECLP, Jonathan Nwagbarocha – CECLP, Madeleine Shea – BCHD, Randy Cornish – Connor Environmental, Donna Webster – Wicomico County Hlth Dept (via conference phone)..

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF FUTURE MEETING DATES

Full Commission: All meetings are scheduled to meet the first Thursday of the month, 9:30 am – 11:30 am at the Maryland Department of the Environment, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21230. **NOTE: The Next Commission meetings are scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2009 and March 5, 2009.** There are **NO** meetings scheduled for July, August, October and December.

Housing Sub-Committee: **NOTE: Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 10, 2009.** All meetings are scheduled to meet from 9:30 am – 11:00 am at Connor Environmental, 1421 Clarkview Road, Suite 100, Baltimore, MD 21209.

Health Sub-Committee – **NOTE: Next meetings scheduled for Thursday, January 22, 2009, 9am – 11pm, TEST conference room.** All meetings are scheduled to meet the 4th Thursday of every month.

Old Business

The minutes for the December 4, 2008 meeting were approved.

There will be a full commission meeting in February

Topics requested

Legislative update 30 – 45 minutes

Childcare update – summary about childcare centers located in individual’s homes constructed pre-1950.

CECLP Update

Legislative Agenda for 2009 General Assembly session.

Coalition award from National Ad Council - \$24M national renovation

To begin by end of 2009

Bilingual national website and call center

Outreach using internet, cell phones, magazines, limited newspapers

Baltimore City Housing Authority increased housing choice vouchers allotted to Coalition from 75 to 200 with immediate availability

Authored \$14B proposal for healthy homes energy efficiency stimulus program

Top 10 cities for lead

125,000 houses

Paint companies may increase this to \$150b for more LBP demonstrations

Green jobs skill training – sustainable jobs

Create 10 centers around the country re green jobs

Meeting with Del. Rosenberg regarding potential suits against paint companies

Working with Rifkin lobby firm

Meeting attendees expressed interest in having representative from Rifkin come in for Q & A

Initiating two summer study taskforces

To lower BLL to 5µg/dl

Review state liability and housing codes relative to healthy homes

General Assembly bills

Mandatory pre-1950 dust testing and full risk reduction treatments

Notification of surrounding community about demolition – based on EBDI procedures

Submit waste removal plans

Obtain state licensure of plan (via DLLR)

Permit issued by locality

Pat McLaine suggested working with DLLR and MDE to obtain cases of poisoned children can help testimony

Lead Safe Annapolis has launched a grant program (leadsafeannapolis.org)

Following text excerpted from website:

- Provide free lead hazard reduction services to 10 qualifying properties

- Provide outreach and education on lead poisoning prevention to 1,000 Annapolis residents
- Conduct hands-on Lead Safe Work Practices seminars for 50 owners
- Distribute free Lead Safe Work Practices kits to 50 owners participating in Lead Safe Work Practice seminars
- Provide free Maryland Lead Worker Training and Certification for 10 Annapolis residents and contractors

Gives priority to pregnant women

Also available for owner occupied homes

Will have CDC and Harvard students visiting to learn about and evaluate CECLP programs

Eric Lomboy discussed the year's proposed agenda:

Addition of 2 CECLP bills acknowledged

February meeting reinstated

Requested input from Commissioners regarding any larger issues they would like addressed

Kathy Howard – MMHA

which subcommittee is working on toys/products? Health subcommittee

Cheryl Hall – Office of Child Care

need for MDE data regarding poisoning at licensed home care facilities

Baltimore City inspection forms capture data about childcare activity, but state does not. MDE confirmed.

Pat McLaine - Explore possibility of merging databases of MDE and Baltimore City registrations

Eric Lomboy – How much data coordination goes on between agencies?

Topic currently under discussion by Health Subcommittee. Will specifically address at 1/22/09 meeting.

Consider asking representatives from Baltimore City and CDC as presenters on topic for full commission March meeting

City/state employees who are noncompliant rental owners (not certain who brought this up)

Pat McLaine – Child Health/Youth Advocate

Data systems' lack of ability to provide data for evaluation

Lack of ability to reliably report on poisoning

Difficulty obtaining blood lead screening data from Medicaid

Plan to enforce laws

Secure funding for achieving 2010 goal

Use of annual report to encourage movement toward commission's member agencies' shared goals

Ed Landon – Dept. of Housing and Community Development

Get lead safe work practices incorporated into local maintenance/livability code

Require jurisdictions to report on notification of home owners who are remodeling/renovating

As part of permit application process

Funding – current usage; lack of flexibility; possible statewide pooling to comprehensively address work/issues

Mel Jenkins – Property Owner Pre 1950

State of Maryland database system quality

Would like to see more information about encapsulant technology/use

Possible incentives to stimulate renovation of older homes

Linda Roberts – Property Owner Post 1949

Education and outreach efforts – locality level

Agency coordination

Quality of statistics

End meetings with a plan of action regarding main topic(s)

Barbara Moore – Health Care Provider

Blood lead screening database

Report on budgets and funding availabilities, especially state resources

Valerie Paton – Maryland Insurance Commission

Identify obstacles / breakdown of established goals from past 7 years

Education/outreach – How much? Successes?

Funding

Statistics

Mary Snyder-Vogel – Child Advocate

Home owner responsibility

Include/invite home owner(s) to monthly meetings

Products laws

Home maintenance after child/family relocation

Funding for vacuums, furniture, etc.

Education/outreach regarding proper maintenance (owners and tenants)
Pick three issues for narrow focus in 2009

Cheryl Hall – Office of Child Care

Data integration

What programs are working? What is their funding?

Closing Comments

Eric Lomboy – time during February meeting for continued discussion of year's agenda

Reinstate November meeting?

Possibility of realigning/adding subcommittees, creating task groups

HUD NOFA is requiring budget submission one month earlier than previously. There will be no lead outreach portion available for 2009.

Madeleine Shea

Weatherization is a great opportunity for aligning LBP poisoning prevention goals with national stimulus funding. Possible partners?

Pat McLaine – ready something for next meeting re weatherization, green homes, and healthy homes

Ed Landon – federal funding acquisition will be a challenge

Meeting Adjourned