



**MOTION:** Lee Staker made a motion to open the Fiscal Year 2013 budget and increase the spending authority for the Family and Community Health budget \$300,000 in both revenue and expenditures based on the year-to-date activity and expected activity to year end. Kimber Ricks seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **State Appropriation Funding Allocation Change**

Richard Horne reported on the Funding Formula which has been discussion topic of the Trustees and Directors. It has become necessary to redesign the Funding Formula as pertinent information required for the current formula is now unavailable.

### **Complaints in Municipalities**

Kellye Eager explained that the Environmental Health staff frequently receives complaints regarding issues such as bed bugs, mold, odors, and open sewage. After receiving advice from District legal counsel, Gregory Crockett, the proposed "Response to Complaints" policy was developed.

After discussing the policy, it was determined that Number Two be changed to state the following:

2. EIPHD will not supersede and exercise our authority in areas that already have ordinances that pertain to open sewage discharge; but we will be reporting these incidences to the city or county prosecutor when an ordinance is violated.

**MOTION:** Motion made by Kimber Ricks to accept the "Response To Complaints Policy" as amended for the Environmental Health Division. Barbara Nelson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **Influenza and Pertussis Update**

Tamara Cox reported the Eastern Idaho Public Health District area has been hit hard by influenza this year. Influenza is not a reportable disease, but we are investigating it as an unusual occurrence. We have been receiving weekly reports on the number of visits to the emergency rooms with influenza-type symptoms. Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center is reporting the new pediatric ICU is full and overflowing. During the last two weeks, ninety cases of RSV have been reported.

Gary Rillema reported that 2,800 additional doses of pertussis have been given and in January alone the District had approximately 1,000 walk-ins.

### **Executive Session**

**MOTION:** Chairman Cope made a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345 to discuss personnel issues. Roll call: Kathy Rinaldi, aye; Lee Miller, aye; Barbara Nelson, aye; Lee Staker, aye; Kimber Ricks, aye; Wayne Butts, aye; Robert Cope, aye; and Brian Farnsworth, aye.

Chairman Cope reconvened the meeting after the Executive Session.

## **DIRECTOR CANDIDATES**

**Chairman Cope reported that after completing interviewing process Geri Rackow was selected as the new director of Eastern Idaho Public Health District. This position will be effective on April 1, 2013, at a salary of \$82,000 per year.**

**It was also determined by the Board that any disciplinary action involving the two Eastern Idaho Public Health District Exempt positions would require prior Board approval.**

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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Robert Cope  
Chairman

