The El Paso County Board of Health met at 1675 West Garden of the Gods Road, Colorado Springs, Colorado, March 3, 2020. Dr. James Terbush, President, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Board of Health Members present, in person:**
Dr. Jim Terbush, President
Doris Ralston

**Board of Health Members present, on conference call line:**
Victoria Broerman, Vice President
Cami Bremer
Sam Gieck
Longinos Gonzalez, Jr.
Kari Kilroy
Not present: Yolanda Avila; Dr. Robert Bux

**Directors Present:**
DeAnn Ryberg, Deputy Director

**Others Present at Regular Session:**
Vicki Bennett, Lori Seago, Mary Shin, Adrian Stanley

**Resolutions**

A. Resolution Opposing the Elimination of Local Control Contained in House Bill 20-1065

A resolution opposing the elimination of local control contained in House Bill (HB) 20-1065 was presented. Victoria Broerman provided an update from the Board of Health meeting that took place on February 26, 2020 and explained why this special meeting was called. HB 20-1065 that allows local hospitals to implement needle exchange programs without the requirement of local Board of Health approval. This Board’s legislative policy promotes local control, and the Board agreed action was needed to oppose this aspect of the bill and do what is right for the citizens of El Paso County.

Dr. Jim Terbush mentioned that Lieutenant Governor Dianne Primavera visited El Paso County Public Health (EPCPH) on March 2, and they discussed this Bill and the Board’s opposition. She recommended we write an accompanying letter and send it to her and other legislators with a copy of the resolution.

Dr. Jim Terbush read each paragraph of the resolution into record.

Doris Ralston moved that the Board of Health adopt the Resolution. Longinos Gonzalez and Sam Gieck seconded. Role was called and all Board members were in favor of passing the Resolution with no changes.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Victoria Broerman suggested writing a strong letter from the Board to send to local legislators. A press release was also suggested.
It was decided that Dr. Terbush and EPCPH would draft a letter and a press release, and send to all Board members to review before the documents are sent to legislators. The Board requested the letter be sent by March 4.

Public Comment
None

Next Board of Health meeting
March 25, 2020, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., located in the John Snow conference room.
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