

Dover Board of Health COVID-19 Meeting Minutes - April 15, 2021

Held remotely via zoom

Participants: Professor Gerald Clarke, Chairman; Stephen Kruskall, M.D., member; Kay Petersen, M.D., member

1. Meeting called to order 10:03 am
2. There was a brief discussion on whether there would be any in-person Memorial Day Celebration activities this year. The Board has yet to hear from the Memorial Day Committee.
3. The Public Health Nurse will put together an information sheet on the Johnson & Johnson vaccine to help allay possible concerns among recipients of the vaccine. She reported that there are no known variant cases in town to date.
4. Dr. Petersen informed the Board that currently there is a 30% participation rate on pool testing and the positivity rate is almost nil. Athletes participating in high risk sports are required to test.
5. The Health and Hygiene Committee is recommending T-Ball be allowed as long as there are adjustments to play distancing as needed. Dr. Petersen will inform the P&R Director.
6. Senior Celebration (Prom) will take place on May 21 with mandatory testing required beforehand, masks required except when eating or drinking, and no close dancing.
7. Dr. Krukall made a motion seconded by Dr. Petersen, to approve the meeting minutes of October 25, 2020, February 25, March 18, and March 19, 2021 as submitted, and to approve the meeting minutes of March 11, March 15, and April 1, 2021 as amended. The motion passed unanimously.
8. The Board reviewed the Connors Centre protocols for weddings and other events scheduled to take place later this spring/summer. The Board requested the following be specified:
 - No close dancing except within family units
 - Inclement weather policy needed as 120 people are allowed in the gardens but only 100 indoors
 - Tent receptions must have 2 sides up per state regulations
 - Masks required except when eating
 - Attendance to be logged at the gate
 - Connors Center to notify the Board of Health of a positive diagnosis or close contact

9. Messaging this week will center on spring vacation and the new travel guidance.
10. Dr. Petersen made a motion to nominate Dr. Kruskall to take meeting minutes when the Administrative Assistant is out of the office. Professor Clarke seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
11. At 12:23 pm it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.