VP, Wendy Cary called the meeting to order at 6:04pm noting that a quorum had been reached.

The Board reviewed the February 2021 minutes noting no changes. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Supervisor Stepanski, seconded by Dr. Meyers, and approved by all.

Audit of Claims
The record of claims were distributed for review and discussion.

- Back to normal for the most part – though on the low side from where preschool would normally be
- Transportation was still down as a few schools were fully remote
  - Anticipating that March will go back up to where it will stay for the next 3-4 months
- Other accounts are really low this month
  - Most spending done in November/December

Motion to approve was made by Dr. Elder, seconded by Dr. Barr, and approved by all.
Situation Update – COVID-19

- Case numbers have been static the past few days
  - Averaging 8 new cases per day on a 7 day average
  - 47 active cases
  - 88 deaths
  - 0 Nursing Home residents are positive
  - Regional Hospital and ICU capabilities are around 32% for both (consistent)
  - Percent Positive Madison County 0.8%; 1.0% CNY; 3.3% NYS

- Vaccinations
  - Madison County has vaccinated roughly 19,000 residents → about 30% of population of Madison County
    - Madison County Health Department has not wasted any doses
  - NYS Governor announced this morning that eligibility has been opened up to those 50 years an older
  - We have quite a bit of vaccine
    - Local pharmacy gave us their doses
  - Holding clinics all this week in at least 2 sites, and one day 3 sites simultaneously
    - Clinics this week will be both 1st and 2nd dose
    - Tuesday will be the first clinic at the Oneida site in the former bank building in the Gorman Foundation Plaza
    - Logistics and Scheduling are key focus as we get into running 1st and 2nd dose clinics simultaneously along with different vaccines (Moderna & Pfizer)
      - 2nd dose has to be at same location as 1st dose – and must be the same vaccine
  - Sign up for vaccination clinics are being done numerous ways – online, or calling MCDOH or OFA. Some community groups are assisting with appointment scheduling as well
  - Transportation needs are being arranged as well
  - Phone numbers are listed on the webpage – and can be provided in hard copy as well → Samantha sends out a weekly update
  - Health Equity committee is working on ensuring that populations are being reached → seasonal farm workers, homebound individuals, etc.
    - Doing our best to get all eligible individuals to our sites – making arrangements for transportation wherever possible
  - Next week moving more towards providing information on vaccination, moving away from testing data
    - By zip code → will get screenshot of mock up to the board to review

- Testing
  - This will be the last week of testing at Wampsville
    - Numbers have declined greatly
    - Nascentia nurses are being pulled to work with Onondaga County vaccination clinics
• Guidance
  o CDC just issued guidance for schools
    ▪ 6’ to 3’ with no barriers with low transmission rates
    ▪ Broken down by age-range (elementary, middle, high school)
    ▪ Unknown when/if NYS will adopt
  o State came out with additional guidance for facility gatherings and several other recreational activities and events
• Discussion occurred regarding percent of population vaccinated and infection rates, and variants
  o Eric will ask our Health Statistician about teasing out percentage of individuals who have had infection
  o We are not hearing as much concern over the variants
• Discussion occurred regarding vaccination hesitancy

Presentation
• Dr. Newton gave a presentation about the COVID-19 Johnson and Johnson Vaccination

Reports
• Director’s Report – Situation Update is Director’s Report
• County Report – No Report
• City of Oneida – No Report
• Medical Director’s Report – No Report
• President’s Report – No Report

Old Business
• Previous request to allow parents to attend senior night activities was approved and those events occurred without issue.
• Requests coming from several districts in the County for spectators to be allowed to attend games – similar to that of surrounding counties
  o Proposal to the Board of Health to allow up to 2 spectators per player for the home team only at events – indoor sports only (outdoor already allowed)
    ▪ Note: since the time of the BOH’s approval of allowances with higher-risk sports in February – case numbers in Madison County have continued to go down – no impact seen from high risk sports in terms of additional cases
  o Suggestion to allow spectators from both teams was not approved
• Approval to amend the language of spectator guidance for high-risk sports was allowed
  o Language to be changed by Eric, based on the document request reviewed – guidance will reiterate social distance requirements, and adherence to facility capacity limits
• Question regarding re-inspection of food service facilities
• Lead numbers from last year recurring because children were not retested
  o Challenge to get lead testing redone
Update on Nelson Mobile Park
  o Septic system still in failure – owner still not complying
    ▪ System is now discharging on National Grid property
    ▪ Issued a nuisance abatement letter to National Grid last week, and they have reached out to us – meeting set up this week to discuss
      ▪ National Grid will have legal representation on the call – MCDOH has requested legal representation as well.
    ▪ There have been 2 previous fines issued, and a 3rd is in process

Motion to adjourn made by Dr. Elder, seconded by Marla Velkey-Reger; All in Favor – 7:28pm

Next Meeting Monday, April 26, 2021 @ 6:00 pm
VIA ZOOM – Link to be delivered via email

Respectfully submitted by Deanna Matt