



MINUTES

August 4, 2026

**BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING**

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

A special meeting of the Central District Health Department (CDHD) Board of Health was held Tuesday, August 4, 2026, 5:30 p.m. at 1137 S. Locust St, Grand Island, NE. President Debb Niles called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meeting Act. Legal notification of the meeting was published August 1, 2026, in the Omaha World Herald

MEMBERS PRESENT: Debb Niles, Paul Lacore, Roger Wiegert, Kenneth Wiemers, Rich Fruehling, Rene Blauhorn. A quorum was established.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Stelk (excused), Cody Rush (excused), Francis McDonald (excused), Pat O'Neil (excused), Pam Lancaster

CDHD EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION: Karly Simonson, Jacqueline De Leon

CDHD STAFF: Celia Webb

RESERVATION TO SPEAK: None

APPROVAL OF HEALTH DIRECTOR CANDIDATE RECOMMENDED FROM SEARCH COMMITTEE: Paul Lacore (Fruehling) moved to approve the search committee recommended candidate Karly Simonson and grant search committee authority to proceed with candidate offer and negotiations. Roll call vote: Aye – Niles, Wiemers, Blauhorn, Lacore, Fruehling, Wiegert. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF HEALTH DIRECTOR SALARY SCALE AND BENEFITS: Kenneth Wiemers (Wiegert) moved to approve the salary of \$135,000. Roll call vote: Aye – Niles, Wiemers, Blauhorn, Lacore, Fruehling, Wiegert. Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT: Adjournment at 6.05 p.m.

Mark Stelk, Secretary



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