Members Present: Tracy Aaron, Mike Ballard, Kayla Bebout, Janie Cambron, Brandi Gilley, April Harris, Brittany Parker, Lisa Pollock, Becky Kissick, Denise Beach, Judy Mattingly, Becki Casey, Sara Jo Best, Louise Kent, Kelly Alexander, Jennifer Gulley

Staff Present: Jill LeMaster, Dana Nickles

Welcome:
Dana Nickles welcomed the Board. Randy Gooch designated Kayla Bebout as his proxy.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:
Louise Kent made a motion to approve the December 17, 2019 meeting minutes, seconded by Kayla Bebout. Motion carried.

Financial Report:
Lisa Pollock stated that the KPHA/KHDA joint account, as of December 31, 2019 had $100,002.73 in assets. Revenues and expenses are consistent with previous years and ongoing activity. For the KPHA account, as of December 31, 2019 had $69,187 in assets. Administrative activity has increased due to membership dues. Lisa will be distributing her financial reports electronically to the Board. Brandi Gilley made a motion to approve the financial report, seconded by Judy Mattingly. Motion carried.

Executive Director Report:
Dana’s focus has been advocacy, specifically House Bill 129, which is expected to be heard on Thursday, January 16 at noon. She’s been coordinating with the Babbage team to move that forward. House Bill 171 is the pension bill and has not been scheduled to be heard in committee yet. She’s been working with the Cabinet regarding pension costs and the state budget. Dana has also been networking at events such as the Chamber of Commerce annual dinner, an APHA affiliate conference call and other statewide meetings.

Strategic Plan Update:
Last month the Board discussed ways to realign the committees with the work of the strategic plan. Janie Cambron and Dana are working on more solid recommendations, which will require a few by-law changes. A call to action will be sent to membership to encourage involvement.
Membership and Dues Update:
The deadline for renewal was December 31, 2019 and approximately 500 members have renewed their memberships.

Scholarships:
The scholarship application announcement has gone out through email. Judy Mattingly encouraged health departments to share the information on social media, etc. to help get the word out. Applications are due March 1, 2020. The current committee is Judy, Kayla and Lisa and they have a meeting planned in March to review applications.

Legislative Committee:
Dana said that she is starting to go through, read the bills and working with the Babbage team on developing a tracking spreadsheet for this session. There are two Health and Welfare meetings scheduled for this week, which Dana will attend. Expected bills include a medical marijuana, a vaping tax bill, and a bill proposing raising the tobacco purchase age to 21. Janie said that over the past couple months, several members reached out to express interest and a meeting is being planned. As always, if you are interested in joining the committee, reach out to Janie or Dana.

Conference Update:
Kayla reported that 30 oral abstracts have been accepted and most have confirmed. Within the next couple weeks, the abstracts will be scheduled and communicated to the field with updated information. Hotel rooms are currently being booked. We have 23 registrants and 2 sponsors. Nominations for the awards have been sent out. Louise Kent is working with students on posters and student ambassadors. A keynote speaker has not yet been confirmed, but if you have ideas, please send them to Kayla or Dana. The conference committee is meeting every other week to continue planning efforts.

New Business:
Public Health Advocacy Day - This is scheduled for tomorrow, Wednesday, January 15, beginning at 8:30am in Room 125 in the Annex. A legislative lunch is being provided. The Babbage team has helped coordinate this event. Over 50 meetings have been planned throughout the day. Dana will be communicating more details later today to registrants, which are primarily health department directors and employees. Dana will report back to the Board about the day at the February meeting.

KPHA University Chair - Dr. Richard Wilson with the University of Louisville has agreed to be the KPHA University Chair. He is a previous Board member and excited to serve in this capacity.

Vice President - Louise reported that she will be resigning as the KPHA Vice President. She will finish her term in April at the 2020 Conference.

Website - Janie discussed preliminary work to update the KPHA website. More to come.
Closing: The next Board meeting will be announced. Kayla made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Janie. Motion carried.