

**Lyme Disease Committee**  
of the  
**Board of Health**  
Dover, MA

**Minutes**  
**February 14, 2013**

**Present: Mary Hable, Paul Tedesco, Jim Palmer, Matthew Schmid, Tim Holiner, Diane Fielding**

**Absent: Barbara Roth-Schechter, Steve Kruskall, Angela Wilson-Taylor, George Giunta, Mike Francis, Jay Walsh**

**1. Review and Approval of the Minutes of Jan 31, 2013 meeting**

The minutes of the 1/31/13 meeting were unanimously approved

**2. LDC Survey – preliminary results – Mary, Diane**

Mary reported that the survey count is up to 478, with over 30 additional surveys coming in after the deadline. Mary presented the results, incorporating the comments from the last meeting into the summary page. A few more tweaks to the final format of the summary page were suggested. The survey results will be provided at the Lyme Disease Forum on April 10 and comments/conclusions about the survey will be provided verbally to the attendees.

**3. Lyme Disease Forum - All**

Matt reported that he spoke to Elissa Landre from the Broadmoor Sanctuary and unfortunately she may not be inclined to be a speaker. The group wondered if we should reconsider asking Dr. Rawinski. It was also suggested that we may want to reconsider having a speaker on the ecology issue.

Diane reported that she is making good progress collecting information from sources such as the Department of Public Health and the CDC to be used as handouts for the tables. Diane has also procured a 3' x 9' sign that can be used on the Town Hall lawn to advertise the forum.

It was reported that Steve had talked to Holly Kelsey (Vet) about attending and supporting an information table at the forum, though it was unclear what the outcome of that communication was.

#### **4. Summer Internship- All**

**More brainstorming was done to identify projects (in addition to repeating/extending tick density measurements in sunny vs. shady areas) for the DPH summer intern. Ideas from previous meetings, including screening asymptomatic animals for Lyme, detail mapping of areas to assist deer management, and education regarding prophylactic use of antibiotics, were reviewed. New ideas put forward included: coordinating with MA Wildlife to build an enclosure for small animals, and working on the LDC web site. These and any new ideas will be discussed further at the next meeting.**