



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex  
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## Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

*Janelle Fullbright, Chair*

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Monday, October 21, 2013

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

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### CALL TO ORDER

**Chair Fullbright called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.**

### INVOCATION

**Councilor Buzzard gave the invocation.**

### ROLL CALL

**Present** 13 - Janelle Fullbright; Julia Coates; Jodie Fishinghawk; Tina Glory Jordan; Lee Keener Jr.; Dick Lay; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis; Don Garvin; David Thornton, Sr.; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd and Curtis Snell

**Absent** 1 - Cara Cowan Watts

**Late Arrival** 2 - David Walkingstick and Janees Taylor

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Councilor Hargis moved to approve the September 16, 2013 regular session minutes. Councilor Snell seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

### AMEND THE AGENDA

**Councilor Lay moved to amend the agenda to approve the compact for contract health. Councilor Byrd seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

### REPORTS:

1. Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

*Mr. Valliere gave a brief overview of the report provided. He announced they will be getting a chiropractic service one day a week for six months on a trial basis. He provided an update on the contract health numbers as requested last month. Councilor Buzzard requested the contract health numbers be broke down by county. Councilor Fishinghawk requested clarification on the contract health deferrals. She*

requested hard numbers on the deferrals next month from Bret Hayes.

2. Cherokee Nation Health Services - Connie Davis

*Ms. Davis provided an update on the Affordable Care Act and its impact to the Cherokee Nation. She read the awards received by the clinics through the Government Performance Rating Act. An update was provided on the expansions. A brief overview of the report provided was given. Ms. Davis announced on November 4th Chief Bill John Baker will be signing a proclamation declaring November as Cherokee Nation Diabetes Awareness month. Cherokee Nation was honored to be the recipient the Edward P. Loveland Memorial Award which is given out by the American College of Physicians. Councilor Lay inquired about the status of the electronic health records and the cost. He also inquired about a clinic report for Nowata. Councilor Buzzard requested a comparison of the Jay and Salina clinics. Chair Fullbright inquired about the status of a cancer care navigator at each clinic. She also inquired about the status of Medicare and Medicaid for the dialysis center at Redbird. Chair Fullbright requested an update on the ninety day prescription policy.*

OLD BUSINESS

1. [TMP-254](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: THE 5% SET ASIDE PER LA-25-11

**Councilor Lay moved to table for one month. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. [13-126](#) A RESOLUTION APPROVING A COMPACT FOR CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES FOR CRAIG COUNTY AND CHEROKEES ONLY IN ROGERS AND NORTH TULSA COUNTY

*Dr. Charles Grim provided a handout of information showing a breakdown of Craig, Rogers, and North Tulsa contract health service user/funds. Councilor Lay moved to approve with an amendment on the 4th Whereas striking "approval of the compact needs to be approved" and insert "approval to amend the current compact" and within the Be It Resolved clause strike "hereby approves" and insert "hereby amends" and strike "for" following health services and insert "to add". Councilor Baker seconded the motion. Explanation was given as to why only Cherokees in Rogers and North Tulsa counties. Councilor Glory Jordan requested they continue to work on the portion of Wagoner and Ottawa counties within our jurisdiction to find a solution for them as well. She requested numbers for Wagoner and Ottawa counties next month. After additional discussion was exhausted Councilor Baker read the amendments into the record once again for clarification. Those amendments are as follows: in the last Whereas strike "approval of the compact needs to be approved for contract health services" and strike the "and" before the therefore. In the Therefore be it resolved clause strike "approves" and add "amends", strike "for" and add "to add" and insert "all eligible users in" before Craig County, strike "all eligible users" following Craig County.*

**The motion to approve as amended and go to full Council this evening carried with no opposition. All Councilors requested to be added as sponsors.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Chair Fullbright requested a moment for Ms. Davis to show a video of their recent Health Retreat.*

*Councilor Glory Jordan reminded those who haven't had their drug testing that they are waiting in the Speaker's office.*

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Hargis seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:29 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Elizabeth Odell</i>	<i>Dr. Charles Grim</i>	<i>Brian Hail</i>
<i>Jeff Sanders</i>	<i>Dr. Steve Jones</i>	<i>Connie Davis</i>
<i>Lacey Horn</i>	<i>Bret Hayes</i>	<i>Gary Cooper</i>
<i>Chuck Hoskin Jr.</i>	<i>Marsha Lamb</i>	<i>Ron Qualls</i>
<i>Jon Overacker</i>	<i>David Pruitt</i>	<i>Dr. Roger Montgomery</i>

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>George Valliere</i>	<i>Charles Dry</i>	<i>Lisa Long</i>
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