



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
17675 S. Muskogee Ave.
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Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

*Sasha Blackfox-Qualls, Chair
Ashley Grant, Co-Chair*

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Monday, September 15, 2025

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Blackfox-Qualls called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Sam gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Committee membership was established of those Council Members who were part of the 2025 election.

Councilors Coates and Callison attended remotely.

Present 17 - Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Joe Deere; Kevin Easley Jr.; Julia Coates; Dora Patzkowski; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Danny Callison; Ashley Grant; Uriah Grass; Clifton Hughes; Johnny Kidwell; Kendra McGeady; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch and Candessa Tehee

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Deere moved to approve as submitted. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

Claremore Service Unit - Tony Deckard

Dr. Steve Jones combined the Claremore report in with the Cherokee Nation Health Services Report in the absence of Mr. Deckard.

Cherokee Nation Health Services - Dr. Steve Jones

Mr. Jones reported on the upcoming flu vaccines. He provided an update on Claremore including the employee orientations and contracts. He announced the orientation for the Tribal Council is scheduled for this Wednesday afternoon or next Wednesday morning. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair

Blackfox-Qualls requested clarification on the job vacancies at Claremore.

Cherokee Nation Public Health - Lisa Pivec & Dr. David Gahn

Ms. Pivec provided an update from the report. She shared numbers from the Stilwell and Salina Wellness centers. She commented on the upcoming vaccine schedule. A diabetes screening will be held next month. She offered to answer questions from the report. Councilor Sam commented on the Carson Wellness Center in Stilwell.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [25-093](#) PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLNESS FUND ACT - 2025 AMENDMENTS

Councilor Kidwell moved to approve. Councilor Tehee seconded the motion. Chief Hoskin gave an overview of the amendments then offered to answer any questions.

The motion to approve carried with the following roll call vote:

Yea: 17 - Lisa Hall; Daryl Legg; Codey Poindexter; Joe Deere; Kevin Easley Jr.; Julia Coates; Dora Patzkowski; Sasha Blackfox-Qualls; Danny Callison; Ashley Grant ; Uriah Grass; Clifton Hughes; Johnny Kidwell ; Kendra McGeady; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch and Candessa Tehee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Deere moved to adjourn. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:29 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

*Brooke Neff
Corey Bunch
Steve Jones*

*Canaan Duncan
Lisa Pivec*

*Chuck Hoskin Jr.
Camerin Fite Jones*

VISITORS PRESENT:

Todd Enlow

John Young

Teddy Snell