



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

## Meeting Minutes Health Committee

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Monday, December 15, 2008

2:00 PM

Legislative Conference Room

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cobb called the meeting to order at 2:12 p.m.

### INVOCATION

Councilor Soap gave the invocation.

### ROLL CALL

**Present** 13 - Bill John Baker; S. Joe Crittenden; David Thornton Sr. ; Don Garvin; Meredith Frailey; Cara Cowan Watts; Jack D. Baker; Tina Glory Jordan; Jodie Fishinghawk; Janelle Fullbright; Chris Soap; Bradley Cobb and Julia Coates

**Absent** 3 - Harley Buzzard; Curtis Snell and Chuck Hoskin, Jr.

**Late Arrival** 1 - Buel Anglen

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Garvin made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 10th regular session minutes. Councilor Jack Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### REPORTS:

1. Claremore Service Unit - Marty Smith

*Mr. Smith gave a overview of his report. He announced they will interview for the CEO vacancy on the 30th of December. The third party collections are up from this time last year. He reported an error on page 2 of the report where it states the amount billed for October 2008 as \$1.3ml and it should state November. He announced they are just now beginning to process CHS claims through UFMS.*

2. Cherokee Nation Health Services - Melissa Gower

*Ms. Gower announced her report had been provided. She announced the Cherokee Nation Comprehensive Care Cancer Control Coalition will receive the 2008 Exemplary Tribal Award. She included a copy of an article pertaining to access to recover ATR Grants where Cherokee Nation was highlighted.*

*Councilor Fishinghawk inquired if there are now 11 participants at the PACE center. Ms. Gower agreed. Councilor Fishinghawk requested next month the ambulatory care visit chart be separated out by the number Cherokee citizens and non. Councilor Frailey inquired about the SMARTNET information sharing status for implementation. Ms. Gower stated the contract has not been signed by the*

*Cherokee Nation at this time. She stated she has provided the information to the Administration and they are requesting additional information at this time. She stated we continue to be in the test phase of the program.*

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND ENDORSING THE CHEROKEE NATION HEALTH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

**Sponsors:** Councilor Bradley Cobb and Councilor Janelle Fullbright

*Chair Cobb stated this old business item was sent back to this committee from Full Council. He announced the current resolution along with a brief history is included in the packet.*

**Councilor Coates made a motion for approval. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS

*None pending*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Jack Baker moved for adjournment. Councilor Cowan Watts seconded the motion. Motion carried at 2:30 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Melissa Gower</i>	<i>Ida Webber</i>	<i>Jack Farmer</i>
<i>Dana Espinal</i>	<i>Dr. Gloria Grimm</i>	

VISITORS PRESENT:

*Marty Smith*

APPROVAL / DISTRIBUTION

**Minutes submitted by: Shelli Brittain, Legal & Legislative Coordinator**

**Motion to approve minutes made by:** *Jack Baker*

**Minutes attested and concurred by:** *[Signature]*

**Date:** *1-13-09*