



Council of the Cherokee Nation

Cherokee Nation Complex
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Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH COMMITTEE

Dr. Mike Dobbins, Chair

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Tuesday, January 17, 2023

12:30 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dobbins called the meeting to order at 12:33 p.m.

INVOCATION

Chair Dobbins gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 16 - Keith Austin; Julia Coates; Shawn Crittenden; Joe Deere; Rex Jordan; Daryl Legg; Dora Patzkowski; Mike Shambaugh; Mike Dobbins; Candessa Tehee; Victoria Vazquez; E. O. "JR." Smith; Joshua Sam; Melvina Shotpouch; Danny Callison and Johnny Kidwell

Late Arrival 1 - Wes Nofire

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

REPORTS:

Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

Mr. Valliere gave an overview of the report provided. Councilor Callison inquired about the process when patients are not taken by ambulance to Claremore Indian Hospital as requested. He also inquired how the process could be quicker for broken bones over the weekend or when an orthopedist isn't on duty. Chair Dobbins requested clarification from the report provided as to the number of babies born.

Cherokee Nation Health Services - Dr. Steve Jones

Dr. Jones gave highlights from the report and added the temporary RSV clinic will discontinue at the end of this week. They have implemented a new salary schedule. He gave an update on the construction projects. He offered to answer questions from the report provided. Chair Dobbins inquired about the Healthy News quarterly report. Councilor Smith commented on discussion held during Inter-Tribal pertaining

to nursing shortages. He inquired if they are considering any new training programs to help with the shortage. Councilor Callison inquired if we actively advertise for nursing positions. Chair Dobbins commented on a State bill that would lower doctor bills for patients.

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

Ms. Pivec gave highlights from the report provided. Clarification was requested in regard to the WINGS programs races. Chair Dobbins inquired if there was anything relevant to report from the Inter-Tribal meetings pertaining to Public Health. Councilor Smith inquired about vaping.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Dobbins announced a report would be given next month on Stroke Care. He also announced the Health Committee would start meeting at 1:00 p.m. instead of 12:30 p.m. beginning in February.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Sam moved to adjourn. Councilor Patzkowski seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:09 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

<i>Steve Jones</i>	<i>Lisa Pivec</i>	<i>Emily Rackiffe</i>
<i>Taralee Montgomery</i>	<i>Corey Bunch</i>	

VISITORS PRESENT:

<i>George Valliere</i>	<i>John Young</i>	<i>Teddye Snell</i>
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