



# Council of the Cherokee Nation

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

*Dr. Mike Dobbins, Chair*

*Recording Secretary, Shelli Brittain Coke*

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Monday, May 15, 2023

1:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

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### CALL TO ORDER

**Chair Dobbins called the meeting to order at 1:02 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

**Absent** 1 - Wes Nofire

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Councilor Patzkowski moved to approve. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

### REPORTS:

Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

*Mr. Valliere gave highlights from the report provided and offered to answer any questions.*

Cherokee Nation Health Services - Dr. Steve Jones

*Mr. Wayne Coldwell provided highlights from the report provided. Councilor Deere inquired about a re-organization. He also inquired how much the 5% dividend has generated since 2012. Councilor Callison inquired about cancer patient treatment.*

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

*Dr. Gahn gave highlights from the report. Councilor Smith inquired about COVID boosters for elders.*

#### OLD BUSINESS

*None pending.*

#### NEW BUSINESS

*None pending.*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Chair Dobbins provided a handout pertaining to the Study of Native American Pain Risks.*

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Councilor Patzkowski moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 1:20 p.m.**

#### STAFF PRESENT:

*Wayne Coldwell  
Bryan Warner*

*David Gahn  
Taralee Montgomery*

*Corey Bunch*

#### VISITORS PRESENT:

*George Valliere*

*John Young*

*Teddy Snell*