

Council of the Cherokee Nation

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Meeting Minutes - Draft HEALTH COMMITTEE

Frankie Hargis, Chair

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Monday, October 12, 2015

2:00 PM

Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Councilor Hargis called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Baker gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present 16 - Janees Taylor; Harley Buzzard; Frankie Hargis; Don Garvin; David

Thornton, Sr.; Jack D. Baker; Joe Byrd; Curtis Snell; Victoria Vazquez; Rex Jordan; Wanda Hatfield; Shawn Crittenden; Buel Anglen; Bryan

Warner; David Walkingstick and Keith Austin

Late Arrival 1 - Dick Lay

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Anglen moved to approve the September 14th regular session minutes as submitted. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

1. Claremore Service Unit - George Valliere

Mr. Valliere gave an overview of the report provided along with an update on the MRI situation. Councilor Buzzard requested clarification on the Orthopedic Clinic being contracted out to Oklahoma City and inquired as to why not Tulsa. Councilor Austin requested clarification on the doctor recently let go in the news. Mr. Valliere inquired if there was any additional information the Council would like to see in the report provided.

2. Cherokee Nation Health Services - Connie Davis

Ms. Davis commented the report looks a little different than usual. They are unable to provide exact visits for the month due to issues with the launch of the electronic health records. She provided information on the new cleft lip and palate clinic. She

announced a breast cancer survivor's luncheon will be held on October 28th and the surgery technology graduation will be the 3rd of November. She reported they are working on the pharmacy issues due to the electronic health records implementation. Dr. Montgomery provided an update on the pharmacy issues. Councilor Byrd inquired how to answer questions of the people regarding the pharmacy issues. Councilor Buzzard inquired why the pharmacy has issues with the implementation. Councilor Walkingstick inquired about the status of the IHS joint venture project. Councilor Taylor requested additional information on the cleft lip and palate inter cranial program. Councilor Garvin commented on the revenue for Three Rivers Clinic. Councilor Lay inquired if the providers at Nowata have been hired. He inquired if the cleft palate program is new and requested the eligibilities for the program. Councilor Baker voiced concern about a call he received where they received an appointment card with personal information. Councilor Crittenden inquired where he could find information regarding how many doctors are currently at the Mankiller clinic. Both Councilors Byrd and Lay requested the Health Department be represented at their upcoming community meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

None pending.

NEW BUSINESS

None pending.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Hargis announced the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 16th. She also reminded everyone of the ribbon cutting for the Wilma P. Mankiller Clinic expansion at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Walkingstick moved to adjourn. Councilor Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried at 2:40 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Steve Jones Brian Hail Dr. Charles Grim Connie Davis Canaan Duncan **Bret Hayes** Elizabeth Odell John Paden Claud Stover

Dr. Roger Montgomery Jeff Sanders

VISITORS PRESENT:

Dianne Barker Harrold Teddye Snell George Valliere