

## **Council of the Cherokee Nation**

Cherokee Nation Tribal Council 17763 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK 74464

## Meeting Minutes - Final HEALTH SUB COMMITTEE - PUBLIC HEALTH

Mike Dobbins, Chair

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Thursday, August 30, 2018 11:00 AM Tribal Council Offices

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dobbins called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

INVOCATION

Councilor Warner gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Councilor Anglen requested clarification as to the duration of this subcommittee and the meeting schedule.

Roll was called to establish membership of this new sub committee.

Present 10 - Mike Dobbins; Mary Baker Shaw; Buel Anglen; Keith Austin; Harley Buzzard; Rex Jordan; E. O. "JR." Smith; Janees Taylor; Victoria Vazquez and Bryan Warner

## **REPORTS:**

CHEROKEE NATION PUBLIC HEALTH
 Lisa Pivec, MS, Senior Director, Public Health
 Julie Deerinwater-Anderson, MPH, Primary Prevention Project Coordinator

Ms. Pivec stated it is an honor to report and congratulated them for being forward thinking as this is the first tribal public health legislative subcommittee in the country. She stated the Cherokee Nation is the only tribe to be public health certified. She gave a powerpoint presentation of an overview of the public health program. A digital story by one of the staff was also shown on how we communicate public health messages.

STATE OF THE CHEROKEE NATION'S HEALTH
David Gahn, MD, MPH, Medical Director, Public Health
Ashley Comiford, DrPH, Epidemiologist

Dr. David Gahn gave a power point presentation on what we look like now in regard to public health through data. Councilor Vazquez inquired about obesity. Councilor Austin inquired about the data source. He also inquired about the jurisdiction for the

data. Chair Dobbins inquired if an epidemiology study could be done from clinic to clinic. Councilor Buzzard inquired if this data is all Native Americans within the area or just Cherokees. Councilor Shaw inquired if they are working with the Lynn Institute. She also inquired about a strategic plan for public health.

**OLD BUSINESS** 

None pending.

**NEW BUSINESS** 

None pending.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Councilor Warner moved to adjourn. Councilor Vazquez seconded the motion. The motion carried at 11:59 a.m.

STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa Pivec David Gahn Ashley Comiford Julie Anderson Shane Dominick John Young

Canaan Duncan Chuck Hoskin Jr.

VISITORS PRESENT:

Tahlina Nofire Blakestad