

**Karuk Tribe – Health Board Meeting
August 11, 2022 – Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order by Vice-Chairman Robert Super

Present:

Russell ‘Buster’ Attebery, Chairman (late)
Robert Super, Vice-Chairman
Michael Thom, Secretary/Treasurer
Renee Stauffer, Member at Large
Kristen King, Member at Large
Arch Super, Member at Large
Elizabeth “Liz” Bentley
Arron “Troy” Hockaday, Member at Large

Prayer was provided by Michael Thom. Robert read the Mission Statement.

Agenda:

Renee Stauffer moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve the agenda with changes, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Consent Calendar:

Arch asked about the consent calendar. He asked about resolution 22-R-125 PSA for the Senior Center. The date is wrong on the resolution and should be this month. He then noted that agreement 22-A-101 with media and forms that were submitted were not completed.

Michael Thom moved and Kristen King seconded to approve the consent calendar with changes, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Arch)

Minutes of July 14, 2022:

Arch Super moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve the meeting minutes of July 14, 2022, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Alora Sutcliffe, Public Relations Specialist:

Alora is present to request access to former employee Ren Bronell’s email account.

Arch Super moved and Liz Bentley seconded to approve Alora to have access to Ren’s email account, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

April Attebery, Judicial Systems:

April is present to provide some information on a project that was done with the outreach mobile van. Judicial and HHS entered into an agreement and while there was excessive heat the van was dispatched to provide outreach and water to keep people hydrated and awareness of resources.

The outreach was amazing and Joe Perreira was thankful for the partnership and collaboration within departments. Arch asked that information should be put out to the Membership and allow for communication to be shared. Alora noted that those stories can be promoted and shared. It can be on social media and the newsletter.

Old Business:

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Director Reports:

1) Dr. Vasquez, Medical Director:

Dr. Vasquez submitted his report late.

Arch Super moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve Dr. Vasquez's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

2) Darryl McBride, Youth & Family Activities:

Darryl is present to review his report. His goal is to have approval of the boys and girls club item but she is on vacation. He will seek approval at the upcoming Council Meeting.

The Summer Enrichment program was successful and came to an end. With collaboration with the summer food program they were able to serve more youth.

The summer basketball clinic was a success and was held in all three service areas. There will be an awards ceremony for youth attending 3 on 3 tournament. Arch asked how many youth attended the tournaments. Darryl noted that it was short due to the fire and road closures. For OR there were about 18 and in HC as well. For Yreka there was about 12 youth that attended. Robert asked if there were pictures taken that can be shared in the newsletter. Darryl reported that there was and he can send them in.

Darryl noted that there were youth that attended an outreach discussion regarding student athletes who are interested in collegiate ball.

The Siskiyou Golden Fair was cancelled so they will be working on additional activities.

Michael asked when the minor juniors starts. Darryl noted that it starts in the second week of September and sign-ups started in March. There are 145 athletes signed up. TANF has been helping for the youth to participate. Michael would like to have events more closely together so that the youth transition from the Tribes flag football and then into junior minors. Darryl noted that he registered the Tribe for flag football association and that can only be done in areas where it hasn't been provided as of yet. Robert asked about the youth seeking sponsorships. Darryl noted that that is a fundraiser and the parents have to cover \$150 and the youth can sell tickets. KTHA covers fees for their tenants as well. Darryl will discuss fees with other staff to see if there is youth that needs assistance. Kristen thanked Darryl for coming to Orleans and providing services.

Arch Super moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve Darryl's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

3) Ryan Hammer, Operations Manager:

Ryan is present to review his report. He has been having budget meetings and preparing for strategic planning. The medical and dental facilities are moving along but hit some delays due to road closures.

He included 3-D renderings and loose price estimates that were included in his report. There will be the opportunity to have a covered parking area, lighting and provide a little more security. The cover will be at the back of the facility. Ryan liked the estimated \$73k design because it allows for space and follow lines as well. Michael asked if this is a fixed budget. Rondi is hoping to find grant funding for this project. Michael would also like to have a pavilion there and have

additional space added. He would like to look ahead and increase space. Ryan commented that he would like to increase planning for that area as well.

Rondi noted that a part of strategic planning will be to plan on facilities.

Michael Thom moved and Kristen King seconded to approve Ryan's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

4) Krista Reynolds, RPMS Site Manager:

Krista does not have additions to her report. Michael asked about 49% of Native Americans and this month it is 46% of Native American visits.

Renee Stauffer moved and Kristen King seconded to approve Krista's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

5) Nicole Campbell, PHN:

Not present, report provided.

Michael Thom moved and Arch Super seconded to approve Nicole's report, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

In each area the Clinic Manager will supervise the CHR's in each area and in HC, Jodi Henderson will supervise.

6) Cindy Hayes, Yreka Clinic Manager:

Cindy is present to review her report. She was unable to complete her report due to COVID and fire evacuations. The HVAC is still not working.

She would like 3 \$500 VISA's for fuel. It is really hard to get gas for the cards. The CFN cards was supposed to be cheaper and didn't work out well. Laura advised that CFN was not workable because they were charging more to the Tribe. Laura does not advise VISA's for community use but one fuel card as a checkout.

Michael Thom moved and Liz Bentley seconded to approve a \$1,500 VISA for Cindy to access for fuel, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Buster arrived at 10:49am.

Michael asked why there is so much money in her budget toward the end of the year. Cindy reported that Laura Olivas tells her to call her before she does large purchases because there are grants that can be accessed.

Michael Thom moved and Arch Super seconded to approve Cindy's report, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Renee).

7) Joe Snapp, Human Services Director:

Joe is not present, no report.

8) Dr. Lew, Dental Director:

Dr. Lew is present. The Yreka dental office was closed due to fires and as of Thursday regular business resumed. Dr. Lew didn't send her report.

Dental software upgrade on July 27th but Indian Health Services did not complete that update. It has been rescheduled for August 29, 2022.

Yreka dentistry and has a lot of upgrades to equipment which is very nice and efficient.

Arch Super moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve Dr. Lew's report, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

9) Susanna Greeno, Happy Camp Clinic Manager:

Susanna is present to review her report. Patient visits were down this month. There is a lot of COVID lab work for the month. There have been a lot of meetings taking place.

Alex is participating in the CERT program with Jackie Nushi and has been asked to head that activity up.

Dr. Lee will be starting tomorrow and that will be good and allow for access of patients. There is no pharmacy consultant at the Tribe as of this time.

The patient referral position description will be updated and posted soon.

Arch Super moved and Robert Super seconded to approve Susanna's report, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Buster thanked Susanna for her years of service.

10) Tonia Bergin, Orleans Clinic Manager:

Tonia is not present, report provided.

Ryan noted that generally Tonia will send emails to maintenance to deliver the water she orders. Ryan will look into that.

Arch Super moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve Tonia's report, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

11) Rondi Johnson, HHS CEO:

Rondi is present to review her report. The SAP application has been submitted.

The Annual HHS Meeting was well attended and she thanked the Council for attending. The program acknowledged Lessie Aubrey and that was appreciated.

Budgets for health have not been finished as of yet but those will be completed by Laura Olivas and submitted for the Council to review in September.

A locum in Happy Camp will be starting and an interview for Yreka for another locum will happen as well. Michael asked to have local medical providers to work some hours at the clinics. He asked her to look into this and bring up the discussion back to the strategic planning session. Robert asked about the on-call provider services should have been activated during the clinic shutdown. Rondi advised that there was a makeshift call service and there was a provider available.

Robert Super moved and Liz Bentley seconded to approve Rondi's report, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

12) Samala Maloney, Child Welfare:

Samala is not present, written report provided. She is unavailable and is at ceremonies.

Arch Super moved and Liz Bentley seconded to approve Samala's report, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 2 pupitihara (Kristen, Renee).

13) Jodi Henderson, HRSA, Compliance, Accreditation Manager:

Jodi is present to review her report. She noted that the annual meeting was held and it was nice to have the meeting after so much time has passed. She conducted the acknowledgment for Lessie and that went well.

Edwina Bailey who is the quality management and compliance coordinator is working with the risk manager and they are making a good team. Jodi has been taking a lot of online training and receiving guidance on bringing the compliance department up to where it should be.

Senior Nutrition is going well and she will report on those numbers another time. The FCTA application was submitted on time.

Didi has been doing outreach and has conducted COVID testing for Elders when they need it.

Jodi reported on her budgets and then provided training reports. Jodi has attended some webinars on 340B pricing and compliance.

Jodi has two policies that need approved. The DNR policy has changes.

Renee Stauffer moved and Robert Super seconded to approve Jodi's report, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Michael Thom moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve HHS policy 01-001-015 DNR, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Renee Stauffer moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve the Advanced Directive Policy, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Jodi noted that policy changes are required to be approved.

Closed Session:

Michael Thom moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to uphold PRC denial and pay case #353 from Third Party, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Robert Super moved and Kristen King seconded to approve agreement 22-A-106, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Renee Stauffer moved and Kristen King seconded to approve paying YW #Q for non-supervised days due to employer error, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Renee Stauffer moved and Michael Thom seconded to approve out of state for Eileen Tiraterra and Emily Nodalo to Phoenix AZ., September 18-21, 2022, 5 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Arch).

22-R-124 authorizing acceptance of award. Michael Thom moved and Renee Stauffer seconded to approve resolution 22-R-124, 6 haa, puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Informational: Scheduling needs covered by multiple Council Members. The Chairman has multiple double-bookings. Buster would like drop TNGF and participate in the Truth & Healing Council. Michael will attend. Robert noted that if he gets re-elected he will attend as well.

Robert left at 12pm

Informational: Exit interviews from all persons shall be sought by the HR Department and provided directly to the Tribal Council. Also, the Council asked for follow up on contractor background check.

Informational: Secretary/Treasurer would like to have the whole Council present in one room prior to bringing up his items.

Informational: Council Member Kristen King asked if BOR has been approached for a possible release to flush out the river. Dahl was going to check with Ray Haupt to determine this.

Informational: Tribal Council will ask that exit interviews be included for Youth Workers and Interns as well.

Informational: Council would like follow up on the Monkey Pox vaccine and its availability to be prepared.

Informational: Council Member Arch Super would like to follow up on the elders' circle information, it shouldn't take a long time to respond to inquiries.

Arch Super moved and Kristen King seconded to rollover the Siskiyou Golden Fair Grounds fees to 2023, 4 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Next Meeting: September 8, 2022 at 10am in Happy Camp.

Adjourned at 1:53pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Russell "Buster" Attebery, Chairman

Recording Secretary, Barbara Snider