

**Karuk Tribe Health Board Meeting
June 12, 2025 – Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Russell Attebery at 9:58 AM

Present:

Russell Attebery Chairman
Scott Quinn Secretary Treasurer
Laura Mayton Member at Large
Jennifer Goodwin Member at Large
Robert Super Member at Large
Kristen King Member at Large
Arch Super Member at Large
Eli Hensher Aubrey Member at Large
Kenneth Brink Vice Chairman (Late 10:00am)

Absent:

Agenda:

Laura Mayton motions Jennifer Goodwin seconds to approve the agenda of June 12 passes 7 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Consent Calendar:

Arch Super motions Robert Super seconds to approve the consent calendar passes 7 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2025:

Arch Super motions Scott Quinn seconds to approve the minutes from May 8th passes 5 haa 0 puuhara 2 pupitihara (Eli Hensher Aubrey, Scott Quinn)

Guests:

1) David Arwood II:

Eli Hensher Aubrey motions Scott Quinn seconds to hold the request of usual services for Ti bar war dance passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

2) Tyvin Whittaker:

TNC is coming to cover the Youth forestry camp and Tyvin is here to present the agreement, he is also seeking approval for the press release that he sent the council.

Arch Super motions Robert Super seconds to approve the press release passes 7 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Scott Quinn motions Arch Super seconds to approve partnership with nature conservatory passes 7 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

3) Emma Lee Perez:

The tribal nations impact grant just got reviewed and approved this week it is a 3 million dollar grant for the Beverly Manor 25-R-113 in the amount of \$3 million.

Laura Mayton motions Robert Super seconds to approve 25-R-113 passes 7 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Old Business:

Director Reports:

1) Ray Elliot:

The Council is interested in exploring the possibility of opening a women's transitional house. The property on Comstock has been identified as a potentially suitable location due to its two-story layout and multiple rooms, which could accommodate several individuals. Amy noted that housing 6–7 women together may present unique challenges, as tensions can sometimes escalate more quickly among women than men. Additionally, specific policies would need to be developed to address the fact that many women may have children with them. One proposed solution is to have a house manager reside on-site to help oversee daily operations and ensure rules are followed.

Arch motions Robert seconds to approve the director of human services report passes 7 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

2) Rondi Johnson:

Arch Super motions Jennifer Goodwin seconds to approve the Health CEO report passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

3) Merris Obie:

The Programs Coordinator has been appointed and has begun her work by focusing on opening foster homes in the three service areas. The Technology Coordinator position is still being advertised and remains open until filled, with hopes of securing a qualified candidate soon.

A new service is now available for tribal children that utilizes neurotechnology to help reverse the effects of trauma. This method is supported by scientific research. Merris may consider sending a staff member to receive the training and return to share the knowledge with the rest of the team. Resolution 25-R-108 will allow the Tribe to become a Title IV-E agency, which would increase access to funding and support the development of additional programs to better serve our children.

Scott Quinn motion Jennifer Goodwin seconds to approve 25-R-108 passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Arch Super motions Eli Hensher Aubrey seconds to approve Merris Obie's report passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

4) Cecilli Gonzalez:

Not audible

Jennifer Goodwin motions Eli Hensher Aubrey seconds to approve the PHN's report passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

5) Dr. Lew:

The 3-day Dentrux training in Yreka went well. Staff are still working on understanding the scanners, as some user errors are occurring while they learn how the system operates. Budget allocations are currently 30% for Happy Camp, 37% for Yreka, and 26% for Orleans.

An orthodontist will soon begin offering services in Happy Camp. These services will be available exclusively to tribal members and descendants. A waitlist will be created, and patient selection will be based on medical need and a first-come, first-served process. Yreka will require a new clinic in order to accommodate additional patients, as the current facility lacks a sufficient number of chairs for treatment. While the Happy Camp clinic is well-equipped, the area does not have enough housing to support new staff being brought in.

Jennifer Goodwin motions Eli Hensher Aubrey seconds to approve the dental directors report passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

6) Tonia Bergin:

No report and not present.

7) Susanna Greeno:

This past month was shorter than usual, and the transition to the new systems has presented some challenges. Laura Mayton noted that the paperwork required for elders is very confusing and asked if there might be a way to better support them through the process. Susanna acknowledged that while assisting with this paperwork does take time away from regular duties, it's necessary to ensure that data is properly transferred into the new system.

Greg Goodwin's last day was May 30th, and since his departure, the clinic is no longer accepting new patients. Susanna would like to request a dedicated Facebook page for her department to share updates and notify the public about upcoming events. Additionally, IHS recently visited the clinic and informed Susanna of a potential funding opportunity of up to \$10 million.

Robert motions Scott seconds to approve the Happy Camp clinic managers report passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

8) Tonya Albers:

Jennifer motions Eli seconds to approve the RPMS site manager report passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

9) Cindy Hayes:

Scott motions Arch seconds to approve the Yreka clinic manager's written report passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

10) Jodi Henderson:

Laura motions Eli seconds to approve operations manager report passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Closed Session:

Informational: General discussion was held on extending eye services as well as service based on senior status.

Scott Quinn motions Jennifer Goodwin seconds to uphold PRC denial of \$3,057 and approve PRC case 339 passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Robert Super motions Jennifer Goodwin seconds uphold PRC denial \$6,046 and approve PRC case 669 passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Laura motions Scott seconds to pay 380 for tribal member 370 passes 6 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara (Arch Super and Robert Super Absent)

Informational: The ICWA MOU between Humboldt and Siskiyou county and the Karuk tribe is being drafted and reviewed.

Informational: A tribal employee is here to ask for assistance with going back to school to be a Physician's assistant she hopes to graduate by 2029 and has a total of \$10,000 dollars. The classes would not take her away from her work and would come back and work for the tribe.

Robert Super motions Scott Quinn seconds to approve paying for D.H school to be PA passes 7 haa 0 puuhara 1 pupitihara (Eli Hensher Aubrey)

Informational: An Orleans clinic intern has almost finished her school and would like to hire her on full time when she finishes. She has recently been certified to do SUD counseling and has recently finished her hours.

Russell Attebery stepped out, Scott Quinn, Secretary Treasurer is Chairperson

Jennifer Goodwin motions Laura Mayton seconds to approve L.M to continue her internship until September 30th 2025 passes 7 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Russell Attebery is back to chairing

Jennifer Goodwin motions Laura seconds to approve 25-R-107 passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Consensus: to accept 25-R-095 grant packet

Scott motions Jennifer seconds to approve 25-R-109 passes 7 haa 0 puuhara 1 pupitihara (Arch Super)

Eli Hensher Aubrey motions Jennifer Goodwin seconds to make the standard park model rent \$600 plus utilities for employees unless there is a separately made agreement and signed passes 7 haa 0 puuhara 1 pupitihara (Arch Super)

Jennifer motions Robert seconds to give a 20% discount for work related duties at the Klamath River Resort for employees passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Consensus: To open the McKinney scholarship set at \$1,000

Informational: EClinical has been a little more challenging than previously thought, but there is a select few that understand it more and are teaching the other staff. There were problems in the beginning but they have now been resolved and is now moving a lot faster than RPMS.

Eli Hensher Aubrey motions Robert seconds to approve 25-A-109 passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Eli motions Jennifer seconds to approve letter of support for AB1369 passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Informational: Letter of support SB 507 has been tabled for later discussion.

Informational: General discussion was held on the tribal consortium, and the Parcel B lands. It was also talked about making an advisory board allowing tribes with ancestral ties to the land in the parcel to have a seat including the Shasta Nation.

Informational: BOS Humboldt County: Eli recommends attending or contract Steve Madrone regarding the ICWA issues and to attend when the CDSS report will be provided. Eli should attend any BOS Humboldt County Meeting and attend when available.

Informational: Two trailers were identified to be used as workforce housing possibly 3. They can be sent down there and remain locked. Numbers 6, 86, and 51.

Laura Mayton motions Eli Hensher Aubrey seconds to approve the Health financial report passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Informational: There was another break-in at the Yreka smoke shop, and this time several youth were caught. The Sheriff's Office has reached out to ask how the Tribe would like to proceed. The Sheriff is recommending that the youth issue a formal apology to the Tribe and complete community service hours. After discussing the matter, the Council agreed that requiring the youth to perform community service in the Yreka community garden would be an appropriate and constructive resolution.

Laura Mayton motions Robert Super seconds to send Jennifer Goodwin to the CIBA conference passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Informational: It was also talked about on developing a women's transitional house with at first not having children be allowed just women for now.

Directive: To do the summer food program at the HC Wellness Center.

Arch Super motions Robert Super seconds to adjourn the meeting at 4:57pm passes 8 haa 0 puuhara 0 pupitihara

Next Meeting: June 10th, 2025 at 10am in Orleans CA.

Respectfully Submitted,

Russell Attebery, Chairman

Recording Secretary, Jacob Lantz