

May 5, 2022

Teleconference / MS Teams Meeting

Abrams Building, Room 2359

3950 S. Country Club Road

Tucson, Arizona 85714

1. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Horwitz called meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Bin An - Absent

Supervisor Matt Heinz

Mr. Rene Gastelum - Absent

Mr. Charles Geoffrion, Vice President

Ms. Mary Lou Gonzales - Absent

Dr. Paul Horwitz, President

Mr. Mike Humphrey

Dr. Kathryn Kohler

Mr. Miguel Rojas

Dr. Gail Smith

Ms. Carolyn Trowbridge– Arrived after roll call

A quorum was established (7)

Non-Board Members

Dr. Donald Gates, Pima County Health, Budget Manager

2. Board of Health Budget Subcommittee Update: Letter to Board of Supervisors' Supporting the Increase of the Health Department Fund:

- Supervisor Matt Heinz's office provided Dr. Horwitz with a draft ordinance supporting the request for a \$6M increase in Health Department funding in the FY23 County General Budget Fund. Dr. Horwitz reformatted the document as a Letter of Support from the Pima County Board of Health to the Pima County Board of Supervisors.
- Dr. Horwitz asked the Board of Health (BOH) Budget Subcommittee to meet and produce a document outlining the specific needs for the \$6M, listing as much detail per items as possible. That document needs to be finalized and distributed to all BOH members before the next Board of Supervisors meeting on May 17, 2022, to allow time for each BOH member to meet with their individual District Supervisor.
- Dr. Don Gates noted that the Health Department has a roster of expansion needs focused on staffing to expand programming and outreach.
- Dr. Cullen will be asked to provide additional input on the Health Department's plans to best utilize the requested \$6M as well.
- The motion was made and seconded (Mr. Rojas/Mr. Geoffrion):
 - To approve the Letter of Support as written. The Letter of Support will be signed by Dr. Horwitz and Mr. Geoffrion, and then sent to the Board of Supervisors; and
 - That the BOH Budget Subcommittee meet and produce a document outlining the need for the \$6M, listing as much specific information per item as possible. That document will then be distributed to each BOH member to use as is deemed appropriate to meet privately with their District Supervisor and lobby for the \$6M.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. UPDATE:

- **Meeting Location from the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room to the Sheriff's Department Special Operations Center (1750 E. Benson Highway, 3rd Floor)**
 - Dr. Horwitz advised the BOH members that the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room is not available at this point for the BOH to meet.
 - Dr. Horwitz wants a secure location to meet in-person, and toured the Sheriff's Department Conference Room, and will accommodate both in-person and virtual attendance at meetings.

- **Propose Re-Scheduling the Board of Health Meetings from the Third Wednesday to the Fourth Wednesday of the Month**
 - Dr. Horwitz also proposed returning the BOH meeting date to the 4th Wednesday of the month due to the meeting location change.

The motions is made and seconded (Dr. Kohler/Dr. Smith) to move the BOH monthly meeting to the 4th Wednesday of the month at the Sheriff's Department. The motion passed unanimously.

The next BOH meeting will be May 25, 2022.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:32 A.M.