1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

Dr. Horwitz called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm.

Dr. Horwitz introduced Mr. Humphrey to the Board and Mr. Humphrey updated the Board on his previous employment and the work he has done in the community regarding health.

Attendance was as follows:

- Mr. An
- Mr. Elías
- Mr. Emich - Absent
- Mr. Castelum
- Mr. Geoffrion
- Ms. Gonzales
- Dr. Horwitz
- Mr. Humphrey
- Mr. Rojas
- Dr. Smith
- Ms. Trowbridge - Absent

A quorum was established.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Geoffrion led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **MINUTES ADOPTION**

- Adopt Board of Health December 9th, 2015 Minutes

  The motion was made and seconded (Mr. Rojas/Dr. Smith) that the December 9th, 2015 Minutes be adopted as written. The motion carried 9-0.

4. **DIRECTOR’S UPDATE**

Dr. Francisco García, Health Department Director informed the Board that the Community Health Needs Assignment had been released two weeks ago and was passed out to the board members. This document is a product of collaborative planning that has been done across the nonprofit hospitals, which are Banner, TMC, Northwest, Kindred, Carondelet, El Rio and also the Pascua Yaqui Tribe. The Health department along with the help of these providers has been charged with under taking a review of the needs of the community. That review has been in the works for the last 2 years. The review involved speaking with all different stake holders and also doing a lot of focus groups and data collection. The end resolution was what the community currently perceives as the most important priority areas. The four main priority areas that came up as critical were diabetes prevention, accident and injury prevention, substance abuse and other behavioral disorders.
Dr. García shared that the Pima Animal Care Center will have two Co-Directors in place of Kristin Barney who has stepped down from her position. PACC has been reorganized into two divisions: Internal Operations, and External Outreach. Dr. García has decided to have Jose Ocano be the Internal Operations Director and Justin Gallick be the External Outreach and Community Engagement Director. Together, they have over 30 years of combined experience and will lead PACC during the construction of the new Animal Center.

Dr. García updated the Board on the current status of the Zika virus. The Zika virus is a mosquito-borne flavivirus primarily transmitted by Aegypti mosquitoes and does cause illness. The symptoms are generally mild and self-limited. Currently there is no vaccine or medication that exists to prevent or treat Zika virus infection. The last topic Dr. Garcia wanted to inform the Board that he has decided to divide his work and hire a new Health Department Deputy Chief Medical Officer. He stated he has hired Dr. Carlos Perez-Velez who is an infectious disease specialist of both adult medicine and Pediatrics.

5. ACCREDITATION SITE VISIT PREP

Dr. Francisco García, Health Department Director, introduced Alan Bergen, Program Manager Senior, who addressed the Board on the role they will play during the PHAB Accreditation site visit. The site visit has been confirmed for March 8 and 9, 2016. The meeting with members from the governing body will be held on March 9 from 10am to 11am. The meeting will include County Administration, Board of Supervisors, and the Board of Health. It will take place in the Abrams 1st floor conference room. Mr. Bergen provided the members with talking points tailored specially for them and things to consider for the PHAB site visit.

6. CONSUMER HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY ORDINANCE/FEE UPDATE

Dr. Francisco García, Health Department Director introduced David Ludwig, Program Manager who updated the Board on the proposed changes to Chapter 8.04 General Health Provisions which covers all the health permits regulated by CHFS. Currently, 8.04 Code section includes all of the fees which will be moved into a separate Fee Table. David also covered 8.08 Food Code, explaining the process allowing for the County to upgrade their current 1999 Food Code to the FDA 2013 Food Code. Mr. Ludwig stated he held six public workshops around all five Supervisory Districts in Pima County as well as one in Ajo, Arizona. The outcome of these meeting resulted in recommendations being made here to the Board of Health which included implementing a five year fee phase in plan where no increases would be recommended for 2016 and a total cost recovery system would be completed at the end of 2020. Mr. Ludwig went over the time frame of when these changes would occur requesting for the adoption of the two codes 8.04 and 8.08 along with the new Fee Table.

The motion was made and seconded (Mr. Rojas / Dr. Smith) that the Board will endorse the County’s approach and concept for the ordinances to move forward to the Board of Superiors. The motion carried unanimously 9-0. Supervisor Elias explaining that he always abstains from voting as to not to influence the Board, seeing that he will be voting on this issue once it moves forward to the Board of Supervisors.

7. TOBACCO RETAILER ORDINANCE UPDATE

Dr. Francisco García, Health Department Director introduced Greg Rivera, Program Manager. Mr. Rivera stated that in Pima County, tobacco sales to minors have been on an upward trend annually since
2011. Retail tobacco licensing laws have been shown in several jurisdictions to prevent tobacco sales to minors when the prohibition against tobacco sales to minors is actively enforced to ensure compliance and when violators face criminal and civil penalties as well as license suspension and revocation for violating the prohibition against selling tobacco to minors. Currently, Arizona is only 1 of 12 states without a tobacco licensing law.

Pima County does not have any enforcement role or responsibility in this arena and is not able to take any action against vendors who sell tobacco products to minors. Dr. Garcia stated this ordinance will be presented in the future to the Board of Superiors and he wanted to inform the Board with the information now and it does not need to take any action at this time.

8. **CALL TO AUDIENCE**

There were two speakers from the audience.

- Barbara Carr from the Farmers Market address the Board that she has attended the meetings that Mr. Ludwig has coordinated and was appreciated of Mr. Ludwig’s help and understanding of their concerns about the new food code changes.

- Roxanne Garcia from the Farmers Market stated to the Board that she appreciates Mr. Ludwig’s help and her concerns were the sampling fees for both small and big business were the same.

9. **SUMMATION OF ACTION ITEMS AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS**

Dr. Horwitz gave a summary of the agenda items.

One motion was made:

1. The motion was made that the Board will endorse the County’s approach and concept for the ordinances to move forward to the Board of Superiors. The motion carried unanimously 9-0. Supervisor Elias explaining that he always abstains from voting as to not to influence the Board, seeing that he will be voting on this issue once it moves forward to the Board of Supervisors.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.