1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

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

Attendance was as follows:

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

A quorum was established.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

3. **MINUTES ADOPTION**

- Adopt Board of Health February 24, 2016 Minutes

The motion was made and seconded (Dr. Horwitz / Dr. Smith) that the February 24, 2016 Minutes be adopted as written. The motion carried 8-0.

4. **BOARD OF HEALTH**

- Nominating Committee for Pima County Board of Health Officers:

  Dr. Horwitz indicated that every year a Committee is formed to contact all the Board members to determine who is interested in serving as President and Vice President for the Board. Dr. Horwitz, Dr. Smith and Mr. Emich volunteered to serve on the Nominating Committee. The Committee reports back to the full Board for officers to be elected. The Committee plans to meet prior to the next regular Board meeting.

- PACC Advisory Committee Ordinance Change Update:

  Dr. Horwitz and Ms. Flanagan informed the Board of what the recent ordinance change was and stated that the Board of Supervisors approved to add a Board of Health member to the PACC Advisory Committee on March 15, 2016. Also the Board of Supervisors passed a motion to have all of the PACC Advisory Committee member’s terms be ended on June 30, 2016.
• Paper Conservation:

Marcy Flanagan, Health Department Deputy Director informed the Board of what the Pima County Health Department does to keep the cost of paper down. Ms. Flanagan stated that the county purchases only recycled paper to print on. Also all of the Health Department as well as the offsite locations have recycling boxes that are picked up on a monthly basis to be taken to be recycled. It’s also a county policy to only print/in color if necessary and try to do as much electronically as possible. Dr. Horwitz asked the Board to come to an agreement on what paper items they would like to receive in future meetings. Each member gave Yvette Pina, Board Coordinator their preferences on how they would like to receive the information given at each meeting. Majority of the Board agreed to have all information be sent by email and paper be provided at the meetings.

5. COMMUNICABLE DISEASE - FLU UPDATE

Dr. Horwitz introduced Dr. Carlos Perez-Velez, Health Department Deputy Chief Medical Officer to the Board. Dr. Carlos Perez-Velez updated the Board on the current status on Influenza. There were 2,698 confirmed flu cases in Pima County this year. Flu activity in Arizona is currently widespread. The Flu numbers this year peaked later in the season, but this is not unusual. Arizona’s current influenza-like illness activity is amongst the highest in the country. Dr. Carlos Perez-Velez indicated that there are two different types of Influenza, which are type A and B and the most severe one is the type A and the most feared one would be type A/H1N1. Type B is less severe and is usually present at the end of the season but was seen throughout the year - which is unusual. Dr. Carlos Perez-Velez said there have been 15 adult deaths recorded in Pima County this year from influenza.

There are many things to do to prevent the spread of the Flu, which are to get the flu vaccine, drink plenty of fluids, stay home when sick, wash your hands often to protect other people, cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing and avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Dr. Carlos Perez-Velez informed the Board of what efforts the Pima County Health Department are taking to handle influenza. The Health Department has standing orders to offer the influenza vaccine during the season at every visit in our immunization clinics, community outreach for education regarding influenza prevention (including schools, long term care facilities) and extramural vaccination clinics (schools, fairs).

6. ACCREDITATION SITE VISIT UPDATE

Marcy Flanagan, Health Department Deputy Director introduced Alan Bergen, Program Manager Senior to update the Board on the Accreditation Site Visit. Mr. Bergen informed the Board that it went smoothly. The first day of the site visit included discussions about the Community Health Assessment, Community Health Improvement Plan, and Strategic Plan; a brief building tour; a meeting with community partners; and discussions on specific domains. Mr. Bergen mentioned how exciting it was that approximately 32 community partners participated in the site visit and shared how they interact with the Health Department. The second day of the site visit included more domain specific meetings, a discussion with governance members, and an individual meeting with Dr. Garcia. Mr. Bergen thanked the Board members that were able to attend and participate in the site visit. During the closing session, the site visit team summarized their observations of the Health Department and highlighted areas of improvement and strength. The site visit team also provided what happens next. The Health Departments hopes to hear about the results of this process in May.
COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CHNA) UPDATE

Marcy Flanagan, Health Department Deputy Director introduced Alan Bergen, Program Manager Senior and Sarah Davis, Special Staff Assistant to update the Board on the current status of the Community Health Needs Assessment. Mr. Bergen started with a brief history of the CHNA and said in 2010-2013 the community engaged in a comprehensive community health needs assessment and improvement planning process, and in 2012 the publication of both the Pima County Community Health and Needs Assessment was done and in 2013 the publication of the Community Health Improvement Plan was completed. In 2012-2013 the County held a community planning process, which resulted in identifying 4 health priorities and the county worked with their community partners to develop action plans on how they would address those priorities. The four health priorities were; access to care, health equity, health literacy and healthy lifestyles. All those groups have been working together to develop these plans for those areas. When this process was started in 2010 there were only 15 community stakeholders and now there are about 150 stakeholders representing about 70 organizations that are helping implement the community plans and in 2014 this program was rebranded as Healthy Pima.

Ms. Davis spoke on what key points they will be working on to move CHNA forward, which are formation of a CHNA advisory group to guide the process on behalf of Healthy Pima, PCHD and hospitals, to get the involvement of Tribal partners, increased/improved data collection and analysis, to incorporate Accreditation and Affordable Care Act requirements for conducting a CHNA and also to have a release of only one CHNA report representing all community partners. In 2015 the CHNA formed an advisory group from Healthy Pima members to guide the development of the CHNA. The CHNA partners included: Banner University Medical Center, Carondelet Health Network, El Rio Community Health Center, Health Department, Northwest Medical Center, Pascua Yaqui Tribe and Tucson Medical Center. Ms. Davis informed the Board that Pima County ranks the best among Arizona’s 15 Counties for a range of health behaviors, clinical care, and social, economic, and environmental factors that impact the future of health of the County. Ms. Davis also spoke on the CHNA findings and identify of community priorities and what the next steps are going to be for the following year.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

There were no speakers from the audience.

SUMMATION OF ACTION ITEMS AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

Dr. Horwitz gave a summary of the agenda items.

No motions were made.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:34 p.m.