

**Approved
May 25, 2016**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Dr. Horwitz called the meeting to order at 3:04 pm.

Attendance was as follows:

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

A quorum was established.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

3. MINUTES ADOPTION

- Adopt Board of Health March 23, 2016 minutes

The motion was made and seconded (Mr. Rojas / Ms. Trowbridge) that the March 23, 2016 minutes be adopted as written. The motion carried 9-0.

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS – PIMA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

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 of Health. Dr. Horwitz, Dr. Smith and Mr. Emich volunteered to serve on the Nominating Committee. The Committee reported back to the full Board for officers to be elected. The Nominating Committee's ballot recommendation was to have Dr. Horwitz as Board President and Ms. Trowbridge as Vice President.

The motion was made and seconded (Dr. Rojas/ Dr. Smith) to have Dr. Horwitz as Board President and Ms. Trowbridge as Vice President.

5. NOMINATING BOH MEMBER TO THE PACC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dr. Horwitz stated that Dr. Smith has done a great job attending and participating in the PACC Advisory Committee meetings and would like to make a motion to have Dr. Smith remain on the PACC Advisory Committee to represent the Board of Health.

The motion was made and seconded (Dr. Horwitz/ Mr. Rojas) to have Dr. Smith remain on the PACC Advisory Committee to represent the Board of Health. The motion was passed with unanimous support.

6. COMMUNICABLE DISEASE UPDATE

Dr. Francisco García, Health Department Director stated the main topic he has been working on has been the Budget due to the Board of Supervises (BOS) budget hearing that will be held on May 3, 2016. Dr. Garcia informed the Board that the information that will be presented to the BOS has already been address to the Board of Health in past meetings. Dr. Garcia also stated on April 1, 2016 he attended the Zika Summit where he had the opportunity to interact with both National and other State entities with regards to what kind of planning is being done surrounding Zika virus. There has been reposted about 300 Zika cases in Puerto Rico and more than half the cases are reported in women and about over 100 of them are pregnant. Puerto Rico historically has not had a strong family planning infrastructure so there is a great need is to improve their family planning infrastructure to help avoid pregnancy during this time of high number of Zika virus cases.

Dr. Garcia stated he has learned other innovative ways his Puerto Rico colleagues are implementing their Zika prevention outreach by using their other Public Health programs. They are using their WIC offices to disseminate their Zika kits which contain products such as information about contraception, mosquito netting and mosquito prevention information. Dr. Garcia informed the Board there has not been any reported cases in the Pima County and only 1 Zika case reported in Phoenix, Arizona. The Health Department vector control has been doing surveillance on the Aedes Aegypti mosquitos and they have been finding them in the earlier months due to changing climates which may affect their lifespan. The county is putting out a lot of mosquito prevention information to the community to help with mosquito control. Dr. Garcia also said he keeps a very close eye on a week to week basic with what's going on in Mexico. Pregnant woman should avoid traveling to some parts of Mexico to avoid getting infected.

7. CRISIS RESPONSE CENTER AND THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PAVILION UPDATE

Dr. Francisco García, Health Department Director introduced Danna Whiting, Behavioral Health Program Manager. Ms. Whiting stated the Pima County Behavioral Health consists of two buildings which are the Crisis Response Center and the Behavioral Health Pavilion both of which were paid for with 2004 and 2006 bond funds. The Crisis Response Center (CRC) received 18 million to be built. The CRC has a Psychiatric Crisis Center on the first floor and level 1 acute beds on the 2nd floor; there are separate sections for adults and children and also a call center for Pima County. The call center is run by Cenpatico and they take about 10,000 calls a month and have the ability to send out Mobile Acute Crisis teams and transfer calls to warm lines that can help with less critical calls. The Behavioral Health Pavilion (BHP) is part of Banner Hospital and it took \$48 million to be built. The BHP is three stories and level 1 is being rented for outpatient services and on level 2 there are Acute Level 1 beds. Recently a new emergency department was build and a new helipad put in; there is also a dedicated court room.

Ms. Whiting stated the CRC is a psychiatric urgent care not an emergency room because they don't provide medical services but they will triage patients medically. The CRC get about 50% voluntary patient drop offs to divert from jail by law enforcement and they see about 13,000 people per year. The BHP is operated by Banner Hospital and has 66 total psychiatric beds. Over 50% of all patients are behavioral health with an average length of stay of 8.5 days. BHP takes 80% of all court ordered evaluation cases in Pima County. Ms. Whiting indicated the County's has a strong commitment to

supporting access to care to anyone who requests help regardless of their ability to pay. Ms. Whiting's role is to ensure that the CRC/BHP operates in the spirit of voters' intentions through monitoring lease deliverables, proactive communication with stakeholders to understand challenges and support solutions, future bond packages build out of the 3rd floor of the BHP and oversight of COE process and claims payment as required by statutes.

8. RECOGNIZING CHRISTINA MCCOMB-BERGER FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

Dr. Horwitz, Health Department and the Board members presented Ms. McComb-Berger with a framed certificate thanking her for her years of service on the Board of Health. Dr. Horwitz and Dr. Francisco Garcia spoke briefly about how they both enjoyed and appreciated the commitment Ms. McComb-Berger had towards the Pima County community. Ms. McComb-Berger addressed the Board members and thanked everyone for allowing her to sit next to such dedicated individuals that are eager to better the Pima County community as well.

9. PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK – DEPARTMENT DISPLAYS

Marcy Flanagan, Deputy Director informed the Board that the Health Department puts on an Employee Appreciation Day each year for their employees to show them how much they are appreciated for their hard work they do each day. A new theme is selected each year and each department division has to create a display incorporating what their day to day operations are and incorporate the selected theme. Ms. Flanagan wanted to have the entire Board vote for 1 display that is best representation of the theme, 1 display that is most inspirational and 1 display that is the most creative. The health department will then select the 3 top winners and present each department with a trophy at the next department wide meeting held on May 23, 2016.

10. CALL TO AUDIENCE

There were no speakers from the audience.

11. SUMMATION OF ACTION ITEMS AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

Dr. Horwitz gave a summary of the agenda items. Officers were elected. No motions were made.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.