

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Tulsa City-County Board of Health**

**June 28, 2023 at 6:00pm**

James Goodwin Health Center

5051 S. 129<sup>th</sup> East Ave.

Tulsa, OK 74134

**Board Members Present:**

Mike Stout, PhD; Chair  
Regina Lewis, DO; Vice-Chair  
Krystal Reyes, MPA  
Mike Jones, DVM  
Sarah-Anne Schumann, MD, MPH  
Ann Paul, DrPH  
Jeffrey Galles, D.O.  
Mousumi Som, D.O

**Staff Present:**

Bruce Dart, PhD, Executive Director  
Reggie Ivey, Associate Executive Director  
Chanteau Orr, Legal & Human Services  
Marcus Anderson, Adolescent and Child Health Services  
Jumao Wang, Finance Department  
Adam Austin, Environmental Health  
Leslie Carroll, PhD, Community Health & QI  
Priscilla Haynes, Associate Director Preventative Health  
Kelly VanBuskirk, Prevention, Preparedness and Response  
Makeda Thompson, Executive Assistant

**Others Present:**

Scott Adkins, Legislative Consultant  
Alex Adkins, Legislative Consultant

## I. Call to Order and Welcome

Dr. Mike Stout called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

The meeting notice and agenda were posted at the James Goodwin Health Center, the North Regional Health and Wellness Center, and the Tulsa City-County Health Department (THD) website, and emailed to the Tulsa County Clerk, the Tulsa City Clerk, and the Tulsa City-County Library on June 20, 2023.

## Approval of the Meeting Minutes

Mike Stout entertained a motion to approve the February 15, 2023 minutes. A motion was made by Dr. Mousumi Som and seconded by Dr. Jeffrey Galles. ***The May 17, 2023 minutes were approved:***

Dr. Stout	abstained
Dr. Lewis	aye
Dr. Paul	aye
Ms. Boyer	not present
Dr. Som	aye
Dr. Jones	aye
Dr. Schumann	aye
Ms. Reyes	aye
Dr. Galles	aye

## II. Chair's Report

Dr. Mike Stout wanted to ensure everyone was doing okay after the wind storm in Oklahoma. He stated he lost power for half the week, which wasn't fun, but the one positive thing that came out of it was the fact that he got a chance to talk to his neighbors. One thing that is nice about this community is that when people are struggling, they step up and help out. He wanted to thank everyone for doing the one-on-one meetings with Elsa Marquez and Linda Jenkins, who are the consultants handling the strategic planning process. He was on the call last night with them, and he said it was an excellent call. They talked about the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats. He also spent an hour talking with Linda this afternoon to make the one-on-one conversation. They are doing an excellent thing because they have reached out to over one hundred health department staff already, and most people from the board have participated in the one-on-one or group discussions or both, and that matters. There are many challenges right now regarding issues that people are facing in the community related to social determinants of health, social disparities, mental health struggles, and those types of things. He feels like the way that they are going about doing the process will lead to some positive, potentially innovative



approaches to engage the community around what matters to them and elevating those voices so that we can take on some more community center approaches to thinking about how we go about doing work as a health department as a board. He thanked the board and said it was an honor to serve with the board.

### III. Director's Report

Bruce Dart stated that Dr. Mike Jones and Dr. Ann Paul were reappointed to the board by the County board. Dr. Dart stated that they're focusing on the strategic planning process and pushing employees to engage and be a part of the process. He also briefly talked about Title X.

### IV. THD Reports/Action Items

### V. Legislative Update

Scott Adkins said this past week that he saw more community engagement because of the windstorm than he has seen in a long time, which is a blessing. He stated the legislature is going through some transition right now. The legislature is in the middle of special sessions and is very limited in its topics. The leadership in the House is going to change in the next year. Leadership in the Senate is also going to change within the next year. There will be new leadership in the legislature. We are starting to transition into the interim and looking forward to next year. He thanked the board and told them how much he appreciated each of them.

Alex Adkins talked about diversity, equity, and inclusion. They do have an interim study filed by someone in the Senate. We saw a tax on gender-affirming care, and we saw donkey milk become legalized. We had some really good bills that became laws. We decriminalized fentanyl test strips and allowed schools to use opioid antagonists regardless of prescriptions to save a child's life. Opioid antagonists will be passed out from DOC as well as ERs. We extended the same benefits for TANF pregnant applicants to applicants with children in the home. And then anyone receiving TANF if they're receiving substance abuse disorder treatment will not impact their ability to receive TANF and will also count towards the required training they're required to receive. And there is another related bill that says if you are a parent or guardian and have a deprived child if you receive help anger management, substance abuse disorder treatment, or any sort of treatment like that, they cannot use your seeking of that help against you in those court proceedings.

Increased syphilis testing in pregnant women is huge. The healthcare authority (not a law but a rule) extended postpartum coverage from 60 days to 12 months. A couple of close calls handled with care were pocketed and vetoed, and that was the bill that would allow teachers to be informed if law enforcement was present at home. Another pocket veto was the extension of foster care up to age 25. The community healthcare worker bill passed unanimously and was vetoed by the governor, and he said we should let private employers decide instead of expanding the government. The community healthcare worker bill was passed unanimously. The governor vetoed and said we should allow private employers to choose instead of expanding government. Corporal punishment of students with disabilities The House feared that if they just used the word

disabilities, it would be too broad, so they had an interim study to look into, and it did pass the House. The Senate hopes to broaden that more broadly. Many schools still do corporal punishment if the parents sign off on it. Another bill we hope to come back with is the requirement of seatbelts for children in the backseat. It was a very lean year for legislation.

## VI. Clinic Services Update

Priscilla Haynes talked about Clinical Services. She was focusing on Family Planning Services. Priscilla said as of May 25, 2023, she spoke about Title X being suspended from the state. HHS determined that the Oklahoma Title X program was out of compliance; THD had to modify some of the things they do in the clinic. Modification to Teen Services is confidential, comprehensive family planning services, but a parent or guardian must give legal consent for individuals under 18 years old. There are some exceptions teens may self-consent if they're married or divorced, legally emancipated, independent from parents or guardians, pregnant, or have a dependent child. It significantly impacted the medication because Title X allowed THD to participate in a 340B drug pricing program, allowing contraceptives and devices at a low discount rate of 25% to 50%. THD cannot use any medications purchased using the 340B certification once Title X is suspended sequestration of all birth control methods. Title X also allowed THD to enroll in prime vendor pricing for vaccines and other clinical medications.

The modifications to Birth Control distribution condoms and vaginal film are the only items not purchased using 340B. No current BCM inventory is available for distribution. Temporary suspension of inserts (no inventory available) referral to community partners. She talked about the emergency grant (Take Control Initiative). They provided THD with an emergency grant of \$100,000 for 1-2 months' worth of inventory. THD has already started buying for individuals who qualify for TCI. There is no impact on other services, such as adult health services, cancer screening, cervical, breast, STI, diagnostics/treatment, and comprehensive family planning services.

## VII. Proposed Executive Session

Dr. Mike Stout entertained a motion to call an Executive Session. The motion was made by Dr. Ann Paul and seconded by Krystal Reyes. *An Executive Session was called:*

Dr. Stout	aye
Dr. Lewis	aye
Dr. Paul	aye
Ms. Boyer	not present
Dr. Som	aye
Dr. Jones	aye



Dr. Schumann	aye
Ms. Reyes	aye
Dr. Galles	aye

### VIII. THD Executive Director's Annual Contract

Dr. Mike Stout entertained a motion to vote on the Executive Director's contract. The *THD Executive Director's Contract was renewed*:

Dr. Stout	aye
Dr. Lewis	aye
Dr. Paul	aye
Ms. Boyer	not present
Dr. Som	aye
Dr. Jones	aye
Dr. Schumann	aye
Ms. Reyes	aye
Dr. Galles	aye

### IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

### Announcements

Next Board Meeting Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at 6:00pm | North Regional Health CTR., Rm 208

APPROVED:



**Mike Stout, PhD, Board of Health Chair**

ATTESTED:



**Angela Carter, Tulsa Health Department Assistant**