

**Karuk Tribe – Health Board Meeting  
April 9, 2026 – Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting called to order at 10am by Chairman Attebery.**

**Present:**

Russell “Buster” Attebery, Chairman  
Kenneth “Binx” Brink, Vice-Chairman  
Scott Quinn, Secretary/Treasurer  
Laura Mayton, Council Member  
Jennifer Goodwin, Council Member  
Robert Super, Council Member  
Kristen King, Council Member  
Alma Mendoza, Council Member  
Arch Super, Council Member

**Absent:**

None

**Prayer was completed by Arch Supr. Chairman read the Mission Statement.**

**Agenda:**

Binx Brink moved and Jennifer Goodwin seconded to approve the agenda with changes, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**Consent Calendar:**

Binx Brink moved and Scott Quinn seconded to approve the consent calendar, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**Minutes of March 12, 2026:**

Jacob corrected that the annual health meeting will be on 4/17. Buster then commented that the programs are currently on hold due to an audit.

Arch Super moved and Laura Mayton seconded to approve the meeting minutes of March 12, 2026 with changes, 7 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Alma Mendoza).

**Guests:**

**1) Adia Supahan, Grant Writer:**

Adia is present to seek approval of resolution 26-R-056 for the IMLS grant. Adia commented that indirect is allowed for staff salaries. He also commented that the organizational chart is old. Scott advised that the Karuk Tribes recognition was re-recognized. Erin asked that that language is sent to Erin so it can be included in all narratives correctly, moving forward.

Laura Mayton moved and Kristen King seconded to approve resolution 26-R-056 with changes, 7 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara (Binx Chairing).

**2) Jack Lantz, Director of Public Works:**

Jack is present to seek approval of 26-A-072 which is a commercial rental agreement on Beverly Manor. Arch asked how the insurance works. Jack noted that our insurance is on there, and each entity provides additional insurance for their activities.

Scott Quinn moved and Kristen King seconded to approve agreement 26-A-072, 7 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara (Binx Chairing).

He then sought approval of a commercial lease agreement template. This will be used for any types of leasing.

Arch Super moved and Robert Super seconded to approve the commercial agreement template for use, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

He then presented a contract for the Yreka Garden project.

Arch Super moved and Robert Super seconded to approve contract 26-C-089, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

He then presented contract 26-C-088 with Norman Croy, also for the Yreka Garden project.

Binx Brink moved and Jennifer Goodwin seconded to approve contract 26-C-088, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**3) Sara Spence, KTHA ED:**

Sara is present to seek approval of resolution 26-R-063 which provides a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for the Spring Street sale from the KTHA to the Tribe.

Laura Mayton moved and Binx Brink seconded to approve resolution 26-R-063, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**Old Business:**

None at this time.

**Director Reports:**

**1) Dr. Skoblar, Medical Director:**

Not present, report provided.

Binx Brink moved and Scott Quinn seconded to approve Dr. Skoblar's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**2) Ray Elliott, Human Services:**

Not present, report provided.

Arch Super moved and Binx Brink seconded to approve Ray's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Buster asked about the expenditures and progress noted that it is spent at 80%, oh neverminded he found the information.

**3) Emma Lee Perez, Grant Writer:**

Emma Lee is present to review her report and seek approval of resolution 26-R-061. It is for the State Indian Health Grant for 2026/2027 grant year. There is traditional health funding included in this grant application.

Binx Brink moved and Kristen King seconded to approve resolution 26-R-061, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

She noted that many staff have received HRSA funding for expansion of nutrition services. She will be tracking that funding to see what it can fund for the Karuk Tribe. It is part of the Administrations project to make America Great Again. Laura asked about the gardens as well. She will be reaching out to a few departments to seek funding.

Binx Brink moved and Laura Mayton seconded to approve Emma Lee's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**4) Tonya Albers, E-Clinical:**

Chad Tiraterra submitted a report in her place because she is out on leave.

Arch Super moved and Laura Mayton seconded to approve Tonya's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Laura asked about the percentage of patients seen in Happy Camp or in Yreka that are Native American. Susanna noted that that may be pulling from other factors, not just hand data. Laura asked about incorrect data being in reports. Jodi will talk to Chad about it today.

**5) Cindy Hayes, Yreka Clinic Manager:**

Cindy is present in Yreka to review her report. She updated the meetings she attended. She has backfilled a referral clerk position but lost a receptionist. She met with RayMac regarding the clinic. When Shawn came in there was a sensor out in the ceiling and it will be replaced as well as the filters. The CO2 protectors have been installed.

Binx Brink moved and Robert Super seconded to approve Cindy's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Arch asked about an annual meeting. There is a Health Board Planning later coming up. There needs to be a discussion on retention.

**6) Paul Peterlin, CWS:**

Paul is present to review his report. He updated that he attended the NICWA Conference. He was able to attend a listening session with Secretary Kennedy's staff. His Deputy has invited staff to come out and meet with the Council to personally discuss assistance from HHS.

An advertisement of a Social Worker position will be posted.

Laura asked about changing to a IV-E Tribe. There was some Administrative Work that needed done. Laura noted that it has been a long struggle and there has been extra funding to help get it up and running. The Tribe is the same for payment and reimbursements as the State. However, there is a second part that is paid. Jennifer is looking forward to his training report. She asked that a copy of the report be sent to the Committee.

Scott Quinn moved and Jennifer Goodwin seconded to approve Paul's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**7) Cecilli, Gonzalez, PHN:**

Cecilli is present to review her report. She has included a description of the services for Elder services.

They continue to work on the diabetic grant and getting it put into the system. They did a site visit for the Orleans walking trail. They propose to use a site that Misty recommends. It is a nice site and the plan is to get a walking trail there with fencing, benches (with notations of those who have overdosed), plants with native language, herbal garden. The old town trail used to run down by the water and behind MKWC. Binx advised to look for artifacts and to ensure there is review of the sensitivity there before they do additional work on that site.

The traditional medicine project is attempting to pilot a program out of Orleans. They want to prescribe from the Orleans Clinic and they are excited about that as well. She hopes to get that going and working well. There is an applicant for the OR CHR position. There will be a foot check clinic in HC and YR with the goal to get folks fitted for adequate shoes. They did do the survey for the diabetic program and they will adjust and make changes to provide better education.

Scott asked about the data being further identified and digested to see more information. This was pulled out of the program so she will see if it can be pulled further.

Robert asked for other herbal medications that can be taken for diabetes.

Arch asked about blood pressure checks and following up on them. Arch noted that between CHR's and Elders there were services provided, so he asked that that could happen. If CHR's do a home visit they are supposed to check vitals. Or if patients call, they can go check on them.

Kristen asked about the foot checks and asked for transportation for Orleans patients to come to HC. Cecilli commented that the diabetic population in Orleans is very small, but if there is a need they will transport Orleans patients to Happy Camp.

Arch Super moved and Binx Brink seconded to approve Cecilli's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**8) Nikki Hokanson, Deputy Dental Director:**

Nikki is present to review her report. Her Happy Camp staff have been going to Yreka to assist at that site. Bre is covering the front and they will conduct tele-med visits. Emergency patients are being seen in Yreka as best as possible.

Arch asked about a dentist departure. The discussion was moved to closed session.

Binx Brink moved and Jennifer Goodwin seconded to approve Nikki's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**9) Travis King, Orleans Clinic Manager:**

Travis is present to review his report. They are still waiting for a new generator and propane tank to be installed for Orleans Clinic. Eli explained that they are waiting because they can't install the generator without a tank. Eli will look into this.

There haven't been any other changes in day to day operations. They are currently reviewing the Orleans Clinic Custodian position and it should be posted soon.

Susanna offered that using other communities on-call custodian services. Buster asked how long it takes to get position descriptions reviewed. Susanna noted that it doesn't take much time. Jodi noted that they have asked for the process to be more streamlined and they changed it and then changed it again. Arch asked about the old days and getting this done faster. Eli explained that new templates should be updated at annual evaluations and then it will take less time as this process moves forward.

Arch Super moved and Kristen King seconded to approve Travis' report, 7 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara. (Binx chairing).

**10) Robert Thompson, HRSA:**

Not present, report provided.

Arch Super moved and Kristen King seconded to approve Robert's report, 7 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara (Jennifer absent for vote).

**11) Jodi Henderson, Operations Manager:**

Jodi is present to review her report. The UDS report was submitted. She has not been to the other sites as much, due to personal reasons, but she has had several WebEx meetings and tries to stay very involved.

Selena has returned and is seeing patients in Happy Camp. There were dental provider interviews.

Binx Brink moved and Robert Super seconded to approve Jodi's report, 7 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara (Jennifer absent).

**12) Susanna Greeno, Happy Camp Clinic Manager:**

Susanna is present to review her report. Susanna will get with Chad to determine how Native American visits are captured. She continues to work getting the conference room set up. The medical record room is organized and Tonya will get in there and upload files into the system and shred others as needed.

They hosted the PHN vaccine clinic. Brian assisted in this. They had hoped to get the word out sooner so they didn't get much outreach. She is unsure of how many vaccines were provided.

There was a CRIHB video that she had and she sent them into i-memories which is nice to have.

They are hoping to have parking areas cleaned up and they will go with benches and flower pots and do a dedication for Lessie Aubrey. She would like to reach out to Ralph Starrit to get some ideas.

Binx Brink moved and Robert Super seconded to approve Susanna's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**13) Anthony Ballard, Elders Program Director:**

Anthony is present to review his report. He is continuing outreach in the areas. The Planning and Service Area 2, has invited Anthony to be on the Advisory Council. There is a tentative calendar for the upcoming year to provide early and often communication.

He would like to seek approval of a specific logo for the Elders Department. Laura noted that they will have the Tribal logo, and they need to discuss this again for other departments. Keeping

the same logo that has a trademark is important. Binx noted that the Tribal seal needs to be discussed. At one time the staff were told to use the Tribal seal and put their department name under it on their vehicles. Alma asked that no one use AI for developing logos as well. Alma also asked how many interactions are done with Elders. Anthony will now start to provide data on interactions and services.

Kristen asked about the scheduled events in September and noted the reunion has an event booked. The staff will look at transporting elders to ceremonies, reunion, and other events.

Arch asked what is available in the PSA funding. Anthony noted that they have worked with them to get fall prevention equipment and outreach material. Anthony noted that they are working to build that relationship now and working on several areas to gather information on what resources are available for the program.

Jennifer noted that CIBA is in June and they may want to go to that. It is June 19-21, 2026 and is in Northern CA this year.

Arch Super moved and Kristen King seconded to approve Anthony's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**14) Rondi Johnson HHS CEO:**

Not present, report provided.

Laura Mayton moved and Jennifer Goodwin seconded to approve Rondi's report, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

**Closed Session:**

Consensus: to move forward with Nikki's travel recruitment, rental car, etc.

Laura Mayton moved and Robert Super seconded to approve \$100k to the dental PRC and keep the services the same, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Informational: The dental program should be able to access their spending every 30 days to monitor the budget.

Informational: the Happy Camp Water Board requests temporary fencing to protect the HC River Park during a restoration project, and then they are fine with it.

Binx Brink moved and Alma Mendoza seconded to approve the changes to AB2218, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Informational: The Tribe is not interested in selling equipment from the Frontier at this time.

Council Caucus:

Informational: Review of EcW not serving what PRC needs is an issue. This is being worked on and this will be upgraded.

Informational: Council Member Super advised that the Deputy Dental Director is conducting recruitment and outreach that several staff members should be focusing on.

Laura Mayton moved and Binx Brink seconded to uphold the PRC denial and pay for PRC Case of 393 and try to get waiver of interest, if possible, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Informational: The OR generator project needs to be a priority. The OR Manager position should be posted ASAP.

Jacob Lantz: Laura Mayton moved and Jennifer Goodwin seconded to approve the Trailer Lottery results, first round, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Binx Brink moved and Kristen King seconded to approve the Climate Resiliency position description, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Binx Brink moved and Kristen King seconded to waive policy and offer position of CR Specialist to employee SB, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Jennifer Goodwin moved and Scott Quinn seconded to approve the updated list of check signers to the Council, Eli, Barbara will remain signers, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Binx Brink moved and Kristen King seconded to rescind the seal approval for department of transportation, 7 haa, 0 puuhara, 1 pupitihara (Scott).

Directive: for RRC Management to provide the monthly financial report from RRC.

Directive: for the monthly health financial report, be developed and completed by Controller and Laura will provide assistance if needed.

Informational: Secretary/Treasurer updated ongoing discussions with the COY and RRC.

Informational: Council Member Mendoza asked about interview scheduling and offering times that fit into Council schedules as well. This should be done to allow Committee Member attendance and Council attendance, when possible. Executive Secretary will send notice.

Informational: Council Member Mendoza disclosed that she is working on a research project that was passed by Pikyav.

Informational: CEO will follow up on the Orleans Clinic generator and why that has not been completed.

Consensus: to decline the Hawthorne property.

Informational: Council Member Super discussed non-Native persons and the need for assistance when they have native children. Also discussed the timeliness in position description review.

Binx Brink moved and Laura Mayton seconded to approve the change fee for Chairman Attebery's travel, 6 haa, 0 puuhara, 2 pupitihara (Arch/Robert).

Jennifer Goodwin motioned and Laura Mayton seconded to maintain the current approved employment offer to for the Economic Development position, 8 haa, 0 puuhara, 0 pupitihara.

Informational: Chairman presented a request from Tribal Member #4426. The request will be sent to TERO.

**Next Meeting:** May 14, 2026 at 10am in Happy Camp.

Binx Brink moved and Robert Super seconded to adjourn at 3:59pm.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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**Russell “Buster” Attebery, Chairman**

**Recording Secretary, Barbara Snider**