Dr. Ronald Woodson, President of the Oklahoma State Board of Health, called the 398th regular meeting of the Oklahoma State Board of Health to order on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 11:04 a.m. The final agenda was posted at 11:00 a.m. on the OSDH website on April 13, 2015, and at 11:00 a.m. at the building entrance on April 13, 2015.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members in Attendance:** Ronald Woodson, M.D., President; Martha Burger, M.B.A., Vice-President; Cris Hart-Wolfe, Secretary-Treasurer; Jenny Alexopulos, D.O.; Terry Gerard, D.O.; R. Murali Krishna, M.D.; Robert S. Stewart, M.D.

**Absent:** Charles W. Grim, D.D.S.; Timothy E. Starkey, M.B.A.;

**Central Staff Present:** Terry Cline, Commissioner; Henry F. Hartsell, Deputy Commissioner, Protective Health Services; Toni Frioux, Deputy Commissioner, Prevention and Preparedness Services; Mark Newman, Director of Office of State and Federal Policy; Don Maisch, Office of General Counsel; Jay Holland, Director of Internal Audit and Office of Accountability Systems; Mark Davis, Chief Financial Officer; Tony Sellars, Director of Office of Communications; Officer; VaLauna Grissom, Secretary to the State Board of Health; Janice Hiner, Sr. Advisor to the Commissioner of Health; Felesha Scanlan, Diane Hanley, Maria Souther, Commissioner’s Office.

**Visitors in attendance:** (see sign in sheet)

**Call to Order and Opening Remarks**

Dr. Woodson called the meeting to order. He welcomed special guests in attendance.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

Dr. Woodson directed attention to review of the minutes of the March 10, 2015 Regular Board meeting.

Ms. Burger moved Board approval of the minutes of the March 10, 2015, regular Board meeting, as presented. Second Dr. Stewart. Motion carried.

**AYE:** Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Krishna, Stewart, Woodson

**ABSTAIN:** Wolfe

**ABSENT:** Grim, Starkey

**STRATEGIC MAP UPDATE PRESENTATION**

Toni Frioux, MS, APRN-CNP, Deputy Commissioner, Prevention and Preparedness Services; Henry F. Hartsell, Jr., Ph.D, Deputy Commissioner, Protective Health Services
Strategic Map: SFY 2011-2015

Central Challenge

- Accelerate required improvements in the
  health status of Oklahomans

- Improve local health systems

- Improve public health systems

- Improve public health workforce

- Improve health information technology and health information exchange

- Collaborative public and private partnerships

2015 annual report to Public Health Accreditation Board
- Organization changes
- Phase two – quality component
- Core accreditation team

141 G1 projects since 2011
- Four nominations for Quality Oklahoma Team Day 2015
- Quarterly & annual strategic plan reviews
- External G1 projects
- Key health outcomes projects with OMHA, ODHHSAS
- Ad Hoc committee on nurse aide abuse investigations
- Health facility plan review team

College of American Pathologists (CAP) accreditation
- Completed internal inspection of laboratory by CAP team
- Maintained CAP accreditation and CLIA certification
- County health department laboratory inspection improvements
- Revised checklist and process for inspections by OSDH Public Health Laboratory personnel
- Standardized and improved turnaround time for report
- Changing oversight of Hemoculture instrumentation quality control data and reporting process

- All Immunization systems interoperable by SFY 2016
- Engage with CDC
- Achieve meaningful use standards
- All electronic lab reports for reportable diseases in Public Health Investigation and Disease Detection of Oklahoma (PHIDD) by SFY 2016
- New Laboratory Information Management System, estimated completion 4/20/15
- Large labs use electronic reports – 25% complete

- Oklahoma Health Improvement Plan 2020 – coordinate, integrate state workforce with health workforce
- Electronic application system (jobAps)
- Employee exit surveys
- 2014 Climate Survey improvements
- Workforce Wellness Center
- Continuous recruitment and hiring

- Tribal Public Health Advisory Committee
- Choctaw Nation/Pittsburg CMO influenza vaccine partnership
- Oklahoma Carin Van Program
- Heartland OK (Million Heart)
- Oklahoma Turning Point
- Oklahoma Partnership to improve Dementia Care in Nursing Homes
- Citizen-Peattowatami Nation/PHS/OIDH for tattoos
- Commercial tobacco dependence treatment partnership
- RTI-2EBRAMB
- Certified Healthy Oklahoma
- Okmulgee County Tai Chi classes
Dr. Woodson asked what interventions are put in place for children, if they are identified as unfit under the Fitnessgram program. Toni Frioux responded that parent report cards are made available to parents outlining recommended interventions for dietary and physical fitness concerns.

Dr. Krishna asked if space requirements for the Public Health Lab were provided in writing as a result of the space deficiencies presented by the College of American Pathologist (CAP) Laboratory inspection. Toni Frioux responded that space requirements were not given only addressed by indicated space deficiencies presented a safety issue.
Dr. Krishna commended Hank Hartsell and staff on the improvements presented. He referenced a recent study published by Rush University Medical Center suggesting a specific diet called the MIND diet, with dietary components such as blueberries, may reduce the incidence of brain disease and lower the risk of Alzheimer’s by as much as 53%.

Dr. Gerard asked if there was an opportunity for the Department to show leadership around the issue of Health Information Exchange. There is a great need for technologies that communicate better with each other. For example, emergency medical record technology doesn’t necessarily communicate well with other departments outside the emergency room in Dr. Gerard’s own organization. Dr. Woodson added that interoperability for electronic health records is also a national problem as well.

Dr. Cline commented that within the Health and Human Services Cabinet, the OSDH is leading a Shared Interoperability Service Committee known as DISCUSS (Deliver Interoperable Solution Components Utilizing Shared Services) that is looking at data sharing with those Health and Human Service agencies. As a state department we have responsibility around meaningful use. We are in the early stages of this work and without many resources it is a heavy lift. Both Oklahoma City-County Department of Health and Tulsa Health Department are working on similar issues.

CONSIDERATION OF STANDING COMMITTEES’ REPORTS AND ACTION

Executive Committee

Dr. Woodson directed attention toward the following reminders discussed in Executive Committee:

- The Board self-assessment survey has been extended through April 17th to give everyone an opportunity to respond. VaLauna will provide a reminder and a link.
- Following the May Board meeting is the Annual Employee of the Year Recognition Ceremony.
- The annual Board of Health retreat will be held August 14-16, at the Chickasaw Retreat Center.
- The Nominating Committee for the election of officers has been assigned. Following the committee’s report in June, the full Board will vote on the new Officers to become effective July 1st.

Finance Committee

Ms. Burger directed attention to the Financial Brief provided to each Board member and presented the following SFY 2015 Finance Report and Board Brief as of March 31, 2015:

Budget and Expenditure Forecast

- As of March 31, 2015, approximately $423 million budgeted for state fiscal year 2015
- Forecasted expenditure rate of 98.06% through June 30, 2015
- “Green light” overall for the department and for each division within the department

The Financial Brief focused on Private Insurance Billing

- Billing private insurance is one step OSDH has taken to adapt to changing federal guidelines and diversify revenue
- For some public health services, individuals with private insurance are now ineligible to receive federal assistance.
- At the urging of some federal grantors, OSDH began billing private insurance for Immunization and other clinical services provided in county health departments
- As of March 31, 2015, the OSDH has billed approximately $2.6 million in claims and collected approximately $640,000.

Accountability, Ethics, & Audit Committee

The Accountability, Ethics, & Audit Committee met with Jay Holland. Dr. Alexopulos indicated there were no known significant audit issues to report at this time.

Public Health Policy Committee

The Policy Committee met on Tuesday, April 14, 2015. Dr. Gerard indicated the Committee discussed legislative agenda items, including discussion around the Senate Appropriations Budget Performance Hearing scheduled for tomorrow, April 15th. There are other important pieces of legislation moving forward such as HB 1685 which is the 24/7 tobacco free schools act. All Board members should be receiving a weekly legislative update report so please let Dr. Newman know if you are not receiving.
The next meeting of the Policy Committee will be prior to the May Board Meeting.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Woodson thanked all who attended the OHIP Launch in March. It was well attended and speaks to the support for Health Improvement across the state. Dr. Woodson invited all to join Gov. Mary Fallin in the annual Walk for Wellness at the State Capitol Complex on May 13th. Additional location details will be provided to Board members as they are available. Dr. Woodson closed his report by thanking Governor Fallin for being a champion for health. He briefly highlighted a few of the initiatives Governor Fallin has taken on to address Oklahoma’s high rates of obesity and smoking-related illness; Governor’s Ban on tobacco use on all state property, Governor’s Get Fit Challenge, and her commitment to worksite wellness (leading by example as a Certified Healthy Agency and closing of the Capitol smoking room to open a gym). We are very fortunate to have Leadership that cares about a healthier Oklahoma.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

Dr. Cline also extended a thank you to Board members who attended the OHIP launch in March. He briefly highlighted the addresses by Governor Anoatubby, Governor of the Chickasaw Nation and the City Manager and City Mayor for Noble, where the launch was held. It was incredible to hear how this community had redefined themselves through their commitment to health.

Next, Dr. Cline thanked Dr. Krishna for his contribution at the recent Women Infant and Children’s Conference. He spoke to several large audiences and of particular note was a session in which Dr. Krishna led the group through a relaxation exercise. There was tremendous feedback and comments from the attendees regarding the effectiveness of the exercise and how it was able to “clean” their minds in preparation for the conference. Dr. Cline stated he was a skeptic one over.

Dr. Cline briefly highlighted the Senate Budget Hearing scheduled for April 15th, rescheduled from April 8th. This will be a great opportunity to educate Legislators about everything the Health Department does. Dr. Cline thanked Mark Newman and staff for all the hard work that goes into preparing for these hearings.

Next, Dr. Cline briefly mentioned the Open Forum for Quality Improvement for Public Health, a National Forum, in which he was asked to speak as Oklahoma is a front leader in public health accreditation. One of the major questions is how do you keep forward moving momentum. The answer, in part, is what you heard today in the Strategic Plan Update through quality improvement initiatives. The goal is to grow into a culture of continuous quality improvement and we do that through utilizing the tools available to outline processes for improvement in the same way presented today for each of our programs.

Lastly, Dr. Cline discussed recent ASTHO Board meetings in which they were able to meet with members of the Federal Administration. Approximately 57% of our budget for us comes from the federal government, so this it’s important they understand the impact and importance of their decision through their funding. Also noted was an opportunity to meet with the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology and to discuss what State Health Departments can do to move this process along.

The report concluded.

Dr. Krishna and Dr. Woodson briefly discussed the recent Tri-Board Executive Committee meeting. This meeting is an opportunity for the Executive Committees of the State Board of Health, Tulsa Board of Health and Oklahoma City-County Board of Health to discuss common issues and desire to improve the health of Oklahomans. The latest meeting was a preliminary discussion with no action taken. The committees will meet on a semi regular basis to continue the discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

**PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No Executive Session.
ADJOURNMENT
Ms. Wolfe moved Board approval to adjourn. Second Dr. Stewart. Motion carried.

AYE: Alexopulos, Burger, Gerard, Krishna, Stewart, Wolfe, Woodson
ABSENT: Grim, Starkey

The meeting adjourned at 12:11 pm.

Approved

Ronald W. Woodson, M.D.
President, Oklahoma State Board of Health

May 12, 2015