

MEETING MINUTES

DATE/TIME: 9.08.2021; 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm CST		LOCATION: Victoria County Public Health Classroom	
OFFICERS: CHAIR: Darla Strother VICE-CHAIR: SECRETARY: David Gonzales		MEMBERS: Erica Briggs, Dr. Lee Zeplin, Dr. Daniel Cano, Darla Strother, Dr. Javier Vasquez-Ortiz, M.D., Dr. Sidney Ontai, Dr. Grant Heller D.D.S, Heather Glaze, R.N. and Henry Holloman Members present: David Gonzales, Heather Glaze, , Henry Holloman, Dr. Grant Heller, Dr. Daniel Cano Guests/ Victoria County Staff Present: Kim Pagel, Ralph Montez, Dr. Amir Sharafi, Charlotte Garner	
AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER	DISCUSSION	TASK ASSIGNMENT
1. Call to Order	David Gonzales	Called to order at 12:04	
2. Introductions	David Gonzales		
3. Approval of Minutes	Motion Made: Heather Glaze Second: Dr. Daniel Cano	Minutes Approved	
4. Discussion Item from the Board		No Action	
5. Director's Report	David Gonzales	David Gonzales introduced Kim Pagel – WIC Director. Kim Pagel stated that WIC was currently working on an outreach program to increase participation in the program. WIC funding is based on participation levels and it is important to maintain levels. WIC is utilizing Facebook, Twitter and billboards to inform the public of WIC Services. WIC is currently	

		<p>providing client services curbside. Both Clients and staff are happy with curbside as it provides safety to mothers and children as well as staff. WIC has implemented software to allow clients to upload eligibility documents, and have an APP that allows clients to check benefits, set appointments, and change appointments. WIC also has added a chat feature that will answer frequently asked questions. The APP allows clients to locate WIC offices and vendors for using WIC cards. WIC is also working with Texas Healthy Communities to obtain a grant to allow WIC clients to purchase fresh produce from the Farmer's Market. The grant would provide the vendors the necessary equipment to accept WIC cards.</p> <p>David Gonzales introduced Ralph Montez – PHEP Coordinator. Ralph Montez informed the board of PHEP duties. He stated that he began his employment shortly before COVID and has been involved with the COVID hotline, vaccine center and assisting the Fire Department with providing COVID vaccine to homebound patients. Ralph Montez also stated that he was involved with Stop the Bleed program along with Ashley Cano – Texas Healthy Communities, and are partnering again to create resource contact card for clients in need of resources during a disaster. Ralph Montez stated that he is teaming with Citizens to establish an Emergency Preparedness System within the hospital. Ralph Montez is also working on building a Victoria County Emergency Response Team made up of citizens at large.</p> <p>David Gonzales advised that the Health Department is currently watching flu cases in our area and that the Flu Vaccine clinic will begin next month. The dates and times will be announced at a later date. The Nursing</p>	
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6. New Business		<p>David Gonzales stated that an election for Vice Chair will be held at the next meeting 12/8/21.</p>	
7. Adjournment		<p>Meeting Adjourned: 12:24 pm</p>	
		<p>Next meeting set for 12/08/21</p>	

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