



ACADIANA AREA HUMAN SERVICES DISTRICT

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Board Meeting Minutes October 18, 2021

Meeting held at 302 Dulles Dr. Lafayette, LA. 70506. Auditorium #4.

Members Present: Elizabeth West (Governor Appointment/Evangeline Parish); Quinta Thompson (Governor Appointment/Lafayette Parish); Carol Broussard (Iberia Parish); Micah Moscovis (St. Landry Parish); Carla JeanBatiste (St. Martin Parish); Yasmin Welch (Lafayette Parish); and David Merrill (Governor Appointment/Iberia Parish)

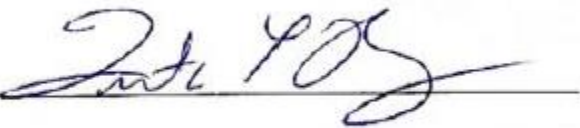
Members Absent: John Stefanski (Acadia Parish); Janise Hardy (Vermilion Parish); and Mitch Pellerin (Evangeline Parish)

Others in Attendance: Brad Farmer, Executive Director; Tosha Latiolais, Administrative Assistant; Troy Abshire, Director of Developmental Disabilities; Tammara Smith, CCO; Tynese Breaux, Tyler Behavior Health Clinic Manager; Daniel Leger, CFO; and Kay Irby, Board Trainer

1. A quorum was present and the meeting called to order 3:22 p.m. by Micah Moscovis.
2. Notice of the meeting posted and copy of Open Meeting Law was available. No audience members of the public were present.
3. A motion made by Carol Broussard and seconded by Elizabeth West to accept the Consent Agenda. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Topic 1 Board Policy Executive Limitations: Treatment of Consumers (Pol 1.3).
 - Topic 2 Executive Director Report
 - Topic 3 Program Reports
4. Recognition of Members of the Public: No members of the public were present.
5. Public Comments/Input: No comments from the public given.
6. Comments from the Vice Chair:
 - Topic 1 Board Advocacy Reports
 - Micah Moscovis asked board members if there were any advocacy reports. No reports given.

- Topic 2 Board Business- appointment of Nominating Committee
 - Micah Moscovis noted that the Chair appoints the nominating committee and the elections for officers will take place at the December meeting.
7. Comments from the Executive Director:
- Topic 1: COVID & Hurricane emergency efforts
 - AAHSD is still part of staff coverage for Chicot and other COVID shelters around the state. This is on a month-to-month basis. OBH is looking at other options to bring in contractors or different groups to relieve the LGEs around the state.
 - Topic 2: Staffing update
 - Mr. Farmer noted that around mid-July we added a new child and adolescent psychiatrist that started with us working four days a week and that is going well. Since that time, we have added two new contract positions for Nurse Practitioners who one started two weeks ago and she is covering the New Iberia clinic for us two days a week. The other Nurse Practitioner is going to start mid-November and she will be covering Crowley two days a week.
 - Topic 3: Class Action suit against LDH
 - Mr. Farmer gave a status report update on the class action lawsuit against LDH regarding lack of services to children with Medicaid.
8. Next meeting scheduled on November 15, 2021. Meeting notices will be sent out and posted.
9. Motion to adjourn by Elizabeth West and seconded by Carla Jean Batiste. Meeting adjourned 3:53 pm.

Submitted by:


Quinta Thompson,
AAHSD Board Secretary