

**Capital Area Human Services District Board Meeting
March 11, 2019**

Directors Present: Thomas Sawyer, Chair; Kathy D’Albor, Vice Chair; Rev. Louis Askins; Amy Betts; Christy Burnett; Gerri Hobdy; Gail Hurst; Becky Katz; Virginia Pearson; Rikki Permenter, PhD; and Genny Nadler Thomas

Directors Absent: Laverne Aguillard; Dana Carpenter, PhD; Vickie King; and Gary Spillman

	RESPONSIBLE PERSON	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW-UP
Approval of the March 11, 2019 Consent Agenda and Approval of the Minutes for February 4, 2019.	Mr. Sawyer	<p>Mr. Thomas Sawyer, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 1:05 p.m. A quorum was present.</p> <p>Dr. Kasofsky thanked the Board members for coming to the meeting.</p> <p>Ms. K. D’Albor made a motion to approve the March 11, 2019, Consent Agenda and the Minutes for February 4, 2019. Ms. V. Pearson seconded the motion.</p>	There were no objections and the motions passed.
Public Comment	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was no public comment. 	
Communications	Dr. Kasofsky	<p>Dr. Kasofsky provided an overview of the following upcoming meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BH Collaborative meeting - is on March 22 at 8:30 a.m. at CAHSD. The purpose of the meeting is for CAHSD and other providers to update the community re: the progress made re: the opioid epidemic since the December meeting. The nine topic areas will be discussed. Faith-based Program – A flyer for the program is provided. The program will be at CAHSD on March 26 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and is funded by OPAL. Refreshments will be provided and registration is required. The focus of this meeting is to provide the ministers with information that will help them to address the needs of their parishioners. The next Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training with the Police is from April 22-26, 2019, at CAHSD. A copy of the letter was provided. Dr. Kasofsky stated that sending law enforcement from the rural areas may be problematic and if this is the case, a one day or one-half day can be provided to them. It’s not CIT but is on de-escalating people with behavioral health problems. Dr. Kasofsky is speaking at the Baton Rouge Mental Health Association meeting with a focus on anxiety. The meeting is on April 8th. She will open the meeting with an update on what’s going on in mental health in this region. She will also update on the Opioid Plan and what we are doing with that. April 2-6, BRAF asked Dr. Kasofsky to attend and represent public 	

		<p>mental health in Washington DC at an event with the focus on pre-trial diversion. There are 3 others from the area who will attend. The trip is funded by SAMHSA. Attending this event will put our community in line for more grant money. An overview of the current program was provided.</p>	
Baton Rouge Clinic Satellite Update	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Kasofsky stated that going forward, CAHSD will not have a contract with Baton Rouge Clinic but will contract directly with BCBS for the program. They would like to add two additional social workers to work in the program. CAHSD has approximately 70 hours of social workers per week working at the BR Clinic at this time. • CAHSD now has data on client improvements with a PQH9, measures depression on a scale. BCBS wants to add this information to their Quality Blue Program. CAHSD has been paying a small amount for office space to document the business relationship. 	
OHCC Program	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The OHCC Program downstairs opened 2 ½ weeks ago. A handout was provided to the Board members with program details. To date, 20 patients are participating in the program. The program is going very well there without a lot of push. 	
LDH Contract	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Kasofsky provided status update re: the LDH contract. She stated she's been working hard to get a contract in place with LDH. LDH has made some of the requested changes but not all. Dr. Kasofsky hasn't signed the contract as of today but if LDH changes the last few phrases, she will sign it. 	
Department of Corrections (DOC) Grant Update	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOC Grant – Alma Stewart with the Health Equity Program (LHCE) came to Dr. Kasofsky wanting to implement a program with a focus on employment for people who are returning to the community from being incarcerated. Dr. Kasofsky thought this would be a good program because of the loss of supportive employment programs in the area. CAHSD, in good faith, planned to enter into a contract with Alma Stewart, LHCE. CAHSD was the recipient of approximately \$400K of the \$500K requested and LHCE was the sub recipient. • \$100K had to be cut from the grant budget. Dr. Kasofsky provided an overview of the cuts made by CAHSD and Ms. Stewart and details of a meeting Ms. Stewart requested with CAHSD, DOC, LHCE and a Louisiana State representative. Dr. Kasofsky explained the two options available. • Dr. Kasofsky stated that CAHSD cannot contract with Alma Stewart's organization because it has not had an audited financial statement. Due to LHCE's inability to meet contract requirements, CAHSD chose not to receive the grant money. To date, Dr. Kasofsky 	

		made DOC aware.	
MAT Clinic and Grief Counseling Program	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medicated Assisted Treatment (MAT) – Dr. Cataldie’s target state date with the CAHSD MAT Clinic is March 25th. The MAT program is in response to the opioid epidemic. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dr. Kasofsky stated that due to the cost of the program, even with some grant funding, CAHSD will need to limit the number of people that do not have a payor source. At any one time, CAHSD can handle 10 MAT clients with 2 slots designated for people with no payor source. Grief Program - Dr. Kasofsky provided a brief status on the Grief Counseling Program starting on April 1 with groups conducted by Ms. Gwen Knox. A flyer with details was distributed. The Grief Program is funded by a grant, is free of charge and open to the public. Participants are not be entered into the CAHSD program. The Grief Program will probably be continued when the grant ends. 	
East Feliciana (EF) ARS Program Expansion	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The East Feliciana ARS Program is being expanded to offer IOP. The program has plans to add a provider to offer 8 hours of IOP group time per week. CAHSD will be able to bill for these services. The group is held at the EF public health unit. Dr. Kasofsky will provide Dr. Permenter the name of the provider. 	
Strategic Plan 2019-2022	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Strategic Plan was distributed at a prior meeting for review by the Board members. Dr. Kasofsky stated that the plan was on the agenda in the event members had questions. There were no questions. Everything is moving forward. Another copy of the Plan can be provided if needed. 	
Self-Generated Revenue (SGR) Report January 2019	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Kasofsky provided an overview of the SGR Report. She stated there is money still outstanding. We are on target in terms of what percentage we’ve collected at this point in the year. We are being audited with the every other year with the Legislative Fiscal Auditors. It’s very intensive and a lot of times it slows down our billers because they are having to pull information for the auditors. There were no questions. 	
Bridge Center	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As Chair of the Operations Committee, stated she is working hard on getting things moving and doing the best she can. At the last regular Bridge Board meeting, she mentioned there were agencies that come in and set them up and run them. The Board thought this was a good idea. Dr. Kasofsky and K. Kliebert have had a few conference calls with companies that actually do this. Bryan Hepburn, MD, with a group called National Association of State Mental Health Program 	

		<p>Directors, provided a presentation. He travels to New Orleans every week from Maryland and works with National Dialogues. Two other companies who setup these types of programs, gave a presentation on Friday.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She will soon be putting together a solicitation of proposals. • There has been a lot of push back at the Council level. She will attend the Council meeting on Wednesday. There are questions as to why CAHSD isn't the recipient of the money. She explained her public response to this question to the Board members. She is supportive of a Bridge Center but has never gotten involved with who the funding should come to. 	
Potential Moves	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Kasofsky provided an update on the CAHSD moves. • Government Street Location: She stated that approximately 40K square feet of space is needed to house the Government street clinics/administration. She doesn't want to separate the functions in this building. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ BRG-Mid City is hiring a master planner to work with CAHSD. The space CAHS recently looked at that would have been a good fit may no longer be available. Apparently a surgical provider interested in that space. At this point, Dr. Kasofsky is waiting on contact from BRG-Mid City to call to discuss. ➤ Dr. Kasofsky shared that a colocation with the Bridge Center would provide a link for ongoing care. • GMHC: The goal is to be in another location because of space concerns. Moving toward the idea to stay in locations where there are medical providers. All payors are pushing for integrated care. • MDMHC – getting closer to getting lease in place to move into Howell Place. The goal is to be moved there before June. 	
Board Membership	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is nothing new to report re: Board membership. 	
Report from Chairman			
Board Policy Review by Direct Inspection/Board Business			
	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no policy review. 	
Policy Review Assignment Member's Code of Conduct & Conflict of Interest Policy	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. G. Hobdy provided an overview of the Member's Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Policy. She presented recommendations for changes. Following discussion, the members decided a group would review the policy in depth and present policy recommendations in markup mode at the April meeting. Members to review the policy are: Ms. G. Hobdy, Ms. G. Hurst, and Rev. Askins. The committee will meet via a conference call and Ms. Hobdy will provide the marked policy to present at the meeting. 	Policy will be reviewed by a group of 3 Board members and provided for review prior to the next meeting.
Next Policy Assignment	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Review Assignment: Board Committee Principles, Ms. Katz. 	

Adjournment	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The meeting was adjourned.	
Next Meeting	Mr. Sawyer	The next CAHSD Board meeting will be on April 1, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. at 4615 Government Street, Building 200, Room 200A.	