**dNORTHEAST DELTA HUMAN SERVICES AUTHORITY (NEDHSA)**

**Board Meeting MINUTES**

**January 8, 2019**

**Ouachita Parish Health Unit - Community Room**

**1650 Desiard Street, Monroe, LA 71201**2

**5:30PM**

**Call to Order**Meeting called to order by Michael Shipp and prayer was led by Michael Shipp and a quorum was met.

**Adopt Agenda***:* AMotion was made by Latanya Whiteside seconded by Yvonne Lewis to approve /accept the Agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

**Adopt Minutes of December 11:**AMotion was made by Latanya Whiteside and seconded by Thelma Merrells to approve / accept the Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

 **Board Members Present:**

Mike Shipp, Latanya Whiteside, Yvonne Lewis and Thelma Merrells

 **Northeast Delta HSA staff present**: Dr. Monteic Sizer and Delores Harris

**Ownership Linkage-Recognition of Guests**: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD –** No requests for comment.

**BOARD EDUCATION/ ENDS Items for DISCUSSION**

**Upcoming Events/Community Action**

I am proud to report that we have received multiple grants, including a five-year, $2.2 million grant to fund the Louisiana Promoting Integration of Primary and Behavioral Health Care (LaPIPBHC) program. This money will enhance our integrated care services related to screening, diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of mental and substance use disorders. It will also help expand our services with co-occurring physical health conditions and chronic disease as well. In addition, we were awarded $940,568 in opioid funding to upgrade existing statewide prevention, treatment and recovery support services for individuals with, or at risk for, opioid use disorder. To help meet community needs, we will be purchasing a community mobile crisis unit. All of this means our team is doing great work, we’re being recognized for that work and we have a responsibility to fulfill desires and expectations attached to these dollars. This would not be happening without our continuous focus on our vision, mission and tenets. Nor would it be happening without a daily focus on the right things, and doing those things well. We will continue developing our award-winning integrated healthcare delivery model approach, and that means, we will be adding contractors and staff that can help us meet regional needs and fulfill the requirements of the grant funds entrusted to us.

CIT training is starting with regional law enforcement and first responders. There will be a special CIT initiative to take place in Lincoln Parish. Lincoln Parish Police Jury members and law enforcement leaders will be involved. More details to come.

Our regional TV, radio and billboard ads are continuing run to bring greater awareness to our agency and various initiatives.

Our fiscal audit has started. The official letter should come late December or early January 2019. State agencies are audited every two years per statute. We are prepared.

There will be prescription take back events held regionally beginning 2019. Richland, Morehouse, Madison and Franklin Parishes will receive a box placement. Law enforcement and local dignitaries will be invited.

Our housing RFP was announced for our transitional housing program. We are looking to develop a stronger housing continuum of care with regional housing organizations. Our current patients will receive housing priority once an agency selection is made. Neither treatment nor the housing of our current patients will be interrupted during this time.

Our Faith Partnership Initiative will hold leadership training with regional clergy on January 26, 2019 beginning at 9am. The location will be North Monroe Baptist Church.

**GOVERNANCE PROCESS/EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS for DECISIONS**

### Executive Director – Monthly Activity and Fiscal Reports

After the ED’s report was presented, along with monthly Fiscal data, a Motion made by Yvonne Lewis and seconded by Thelma Merrells to approve / accept the ED report, documentation and Fiscal reports as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

 **Financial Planning & Budgeting/Financial Condition and Activities –** *With respect to the actual, ongoing financial condition and activities, the ED shall not cause or allow the development of fiscal jeopardy or a material deviation of actual expenditures from board priorities established in Ends policies.*

NEDHSA’s FY18-19 appropriated budget is $14,248,950. Our SGF = $10,296,034. Our IAT = $3,179,072. Self-generated = $773,844

**BOARD**

**Prioritized Strategic Initiatives for coming year/Updates (Policy Manual p. 11)**

The board approved to leave the Strategic Priorities (MEANS) as written in the policy Manual. A Motion was made by Latanya Whiteside and seconded by Yvonne Lewis to approve/accept Prioritized Initiatives as written. Motion passed unanimously.

**Board MANAGEMENT** – *Ongoing*

* Parish Outreach
* Board Members Terms/Renewal of Appointments -***New Board Member, Amanda******Booth*** *is expected to start her term in February, representing Union Parish. She will replace outgoing Board Member, Alisa Lear.*
* Travel Forms

**ADJOURN** by Latanya Whiteside and second by Thelma Merrells. Motion passed unanimously.

**Next Meeting** **– February 19, 2019 - 5:30 pm**

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