

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

**Board Meeting MINUTES**

**August 9, 2022**

**Ouachita Parish Health Unit, Community Room, 1650 DeSiard Street, Monroe, LA. 71201**

**5:30PM**

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

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

**Adopt Minutes of July 12:** A Motion was made by Yvonne Lewis and seconded by Tasha Washington to approve / accept the Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Board Members Present:**

Mike Shipp, Yvonne Lewis, Tasha Washington, Andy Bryan and Latanya Whiteside

**Board Absent:** Cynthia Mathes, Thelma Merrells and Rev. Shawn Hornsby

**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**

NEDHSA and Mary Byrd Perkins Cancer Center signed a formal MOU and are hosting a range of cancer related screenings regionally. On Monday July 11, 2022, NEDHSA and Mary Byrd Perkins Cancer Center hosted colorectal cancer prevention screenings at NEDHSA's Bastrop Behavioral Health Clinic.

NEDHSA released its FY22 annual recap newsletter on Thursday, July 7, 2022. The newsletter highlighted all the innovative things NEDHSA did regionally in FY22.

NEDHSA and the Black Creatives Circle of Northeast Louisiana hosted a mural reveal in downtown Monroe June 30, 2022. This initiative has generated lots of regional media and community attention. We currently have murals in downtown Monroe, downtown Lake Providence, and on the campus of Grambling State University. The University of Louisiana at Monroe designed our traveling mural. Our traveling mural has been housed and showcased at several regional museums.

NEDHSA participated in a host of back-to-school events last week. For example, NEDHSA was in Lake Providence from [10am to 12pm](#), in West Monroe from [10am to 1pm](#), in Monroe from [10am – 2pm](#), and in Tallulah from [2pm – 4pm](#). Great agency information was shared with the community.

NEDHSA already made public its first independently evaluated six-month Rise Above Stigma results. NEDHSA recently concluded the final six-months of the report and made the entire report public. This work is unprecedented in our region and the state. A copy of the report will be made available to each Board member.

Dr. Sizer continues to share with staff that he expects that Northeast Delta will become fully integrated programmatically and across all business departments. Vendor supply chain issues have slightly delayed the full implementation of this aforementioned objective. To date, all fiscal policies and procedures, analytics, HR, technology, and facilities are being further aligned to support this agency objective. This objective is consistent with the Board-approved agency strategic plan and outcomes focus. We will see more significant innovations and larger population health improvements in Northeast Louisiana when this happens.

## **GOVERNANCE PROCESS/EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS for DECISIONS**

### **Executive Director – Monthly Activity Report, Fiscal Report and Grants and Contracts for Fiscal year 22-23**

After the ED's report was presented, along with monthly Fiscal and Grants and Reports a Motion made by Latanya Whiteside and seconded by Andy Bryan to approve / accept 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 FY23 appropriated budget is \$16,404,881. Total excluding SGR= \$15,631,037. Our IAT = \$4,483,420. Self-generated = \$773,844.

### **Board –**

## **RECOGNITION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

- Tasha Washington (8/1/2022 – 7/31/2025) Franklin Parish
- Andy Bryan (8/1/2022 – 12/31/2024) Union Parish
  
- Review NEDHSA Global Ends Statement (page 3) changes was made to take off Department of Health and Hospital and change to Louisiana Department of Health (LDH)
- Upcoming Events/Community Activities
- Board Development Plan was presented by Mr. Shipp in a Draft

## **BOARD MANAGEMENT – Ongoing**

- Parish Outreach
- Travel Forms
- Board Member Recruitment

## **ADJOURN**

A Motion made by Latanya Whiteside and seconded by Andy Bryan to adjourn meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

**Next Meeting – September 13, 2022 - 5:30 pm**  
Ouachita Parish Health Unit – Community Room  
1650 DeSiard Street, Monroe, LA 71202