**NEDHSA BOARD**

**Minutes**

**September 13, 2016**

**Ouachita Parish Health Unit – Community Room**

**1650 DeSiard Street, Monroe, LA 71202**

**5:30PM**

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order and quorum met. Prayer led by Thelma Merrells.

**Adopt Agenda :**AMotion made by Kathy Waxman and seconded by Laura Nettles to approve /accept the Agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

**Adopt Minutes of August 9, 2016:**AMotion made by Mike Shipp and seconded by Alisa Lear to approve / accept the Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Board Members present:**

Laura Nettle, Thelma Merrells, Lorraine Reed, Mike Shipp, Gina Jones, Melba Sandifer, Lekeisha Powell, Alisa Lear and Kathy Waxman.

**Absent Board Members:** Dr. E. H. Baker, Yvonne Lewis and Terri Spence.

**Recognition of Guests**: None

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

**BOARD EDUCATION/ ENDS Items for DISCUSSION-**

**Upcoming Events/Community Action:** Dr. Sizer reported staff of NEDHSA was attending a meeting in Lincoln Parish to renew the monthly stipend given to the Ruston Clinic from Lincoln Parish Police Jury to benefit Lincoln Parish.

He also stated that NEDHSA is working on establishing relations with Grambling and LA Tech Universities.

MIT staff will visit with Northeast Delta Human Services Authority staff on September 19 and 20th.  . They will also visit Clinic facilities and University Health Conway on

April 3- 5, 2017. NEDHSA will partner with MIT to present a at the National Council for Behavioral Health conference in Seattle, Washington..

The fourth Faith Based Summit will be held in November 2016 the exact date and place still to be decided. October 5, 2016 the Northeast Delta Human Services Authority will have a demonstration project in south Monroe. All board members were invited to attend.

On September 16, 2016 NEDHSA along with LA Tech held a community outreach to make the community aware of the different resources available on Suicide Prevention.

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

**ED – Report -** A Motion was made by Thelma Merrells and seconded by Lorraine Reed to approve / accept the ED report as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Condition and Activities –***With respect to 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)* **has not been exceeded.**

**Escrow Report-** *biannual (due September 2017)*

**BOARD**

**Governance Commitment, Style and Job Description** shall continue as described in the Governance Manual. No changes are suggested and these three items are in depth topics for the retreat this weekend. Any changes voted on by the Board in future will be reflected in the minutes. Motion made by Alisa Lear, seconded by Kathy Waxman. Motion passed unanimously.

**Global Governance Commitment –** *The purpose of the board, on behalf of Northeast Delta Human Services Authority …*

**Governance Style –** *The board will govern with an emphasis on …*

**Board Job Description –***The job of the board …*

**BOARD MANAGEMENT**

**Board Members Terms/Renewal of Appointments –** None due this month

**Board Development**– Retreat scheduled Saturday, September 17, 2016 (9:00AM - 1:00PM)

Retreat: Packets with Agenda for 9/17 were provided to each Board member with items to be discussed in depth.

**MONITORING –** Travel expenses due monthly

**Information Requested by Board -** Summary of Initial Grant Request to MIT

Dr. Sizer will send board members a copy of documents associated with Grant for their review.

**Adjourn –**Next Meeting – **October 11, 2016** - Ouachita Parish Health Unit – Community Room