



# ACADIANA AREA HUMAN SERVICES DISTRICT

Serving Acadiana with Quality Compassionate Care

Board Meeting Minutes  
August 15, 2022

Meeting held at 302 Dulles Drive, Lafayette, LA Auditorium #4

**Members Present:**

Carla Jean Batiste (St. Martin Parish); Carol ~~A~~ Broussard (Iberia Parish); Janise Hardy (Vermilion Parish); Quinta Thompson (Governor Appointment/Lafayette Parish); Yasmin Welch (Lafayette Parish); Elizabeth West (Governor Appointment/Evangeline Parish)

**Members Absent:**

David Merrill (Governor Appointment/Iberia Parish); Micah Moscovis (St. Landry Parish); John Stefanski (Acadia Parish) *Vacancy Evangeline Parish*

**Others in Attendance:**

Brad Farmer, Executive Director; Kay Irby, Board Trainer and Monica Echeverria, AAHSD DD Office

A quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 3:45pm by Elizabeth West.

*Pledge of Allegiance led by Board President Elizabeth West.*

- Notice of the meeting was posted and copy of Open Meeting Law was available. No other members of the public present.
- A motion was made by Carol ~~A~~ Broussard and seconded by Carla Jean Batiste to accept the Consent Agenda to the July 18, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Comments from the Chair:**

**Topic 1 Board Advocacy Reports**

- Janise Hardy shared with the Board her experience with assisting a parent to find services with Tyler BH Clinic. She shared that Tynese Breaux had a good rapport with the parent as she explained the services.
- Quinta Thompson shared that the Iberia Parish School System has CIS program at every high school and middle school in the parish as well as some of the elementary schools.

## **Topic 2 Agenda Calendar Item "Treatment of Consumers"**

- A motion was made by Janise Hardy and seconded by Carla Jean Batiste to accept the Ex Director Report regarding "Treatment of Consumers". Motion passed unanimously.

## **Topic 3 Board Vote – Board Governance Policies**

- Kay Irby, Board Trainer, reviewed the updated Board Governance Policies that the Board have been revising over the past year. The Board decided that the revised Board manual will be adopted and a final clean copy will be presented to each Board member at the next Board meeting. A motion was made by Elizabeth West and seconded by Carol Broussard to accept the new Board Governance Policies and Ends Statements to be included in the revised Board Manual. Motion passed unanimously.
- Kay Irby reviewed the documents that will be included in the revised Appendix of the Board manual. A motion was made by Carla Jean Batiste and seconded by Carol Broussard to accept the new appendixes in the revised Board Manual. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Comments from the Executive Director:**

### **Topic 1 CARF Survey Summary Report**

- AAHSD received a three-year CARF accreditation. Brad Farmer reviewed the CARF survey summary report that included a list of strengths of AAHSD. There were only five recommendations written by the three-member CARF survey team.

### **Topic 2 Legislative Audit Review:**

- The Legislative Audit review is almost complete. AAHSD response is in draft format and the Audit office requested clarification of one of the response statements. The review should be finalized by the end of August.
- Brad Farmer gave the board a copy Quarterly CAP Review. Brad requested that the Board review and update the requested information in the CAP review once the new Legislative Audit is complete. The current CAP review information is based on the Legislative Audit from two years ago.

### **Topic 3 CCBHC Update**

- Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic application was submitted. The award should be announced in September as the program has a start of October 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Topic 4 LDH Update – staff changes and HSIC**

- Mark Thomas has left LDH and the new Deputy Secretary is Tonya Joiner. HSIC does meet this month and Brad will be meeting with Tonya Joiner to update her on AAHSD.

Next meeting scheduled September 19, 2022 at 3:15pm. Meeting notices will be sent out and posted.

Motion to adjourn by Janise Hardy and seconded by Carol ~~X~~ Broussard. Meeting adjourned at 5:23pm.

Submitted by: Quinta L. Thompson

Quinta Thompson  
AAHSD Board Secretary