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Executive Board on Aging

**MINUTES OF THE LA EXECUTIVE BOARD ON AGING (LEBA) MEETING
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ELDERLY AFFAIRS
525 Florida St., 4th Floor-Room 427, 10:00 AM Baton Rouge, LA
June 15, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled Quarterly Meeting of the Louisiana Executive Board on Aging (LEBA) was called to order at 10:00 AM by Harold Ritchie, LEBA Chairman; with Jessica Ross serving as Secretary, at the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, 525 Florida 4th Floor Room 427 Baton Rouge LA 70801.

Invocation: Huey Beverly

Pledge of Allegiance: Willie Lewis

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Harold Ritchie
Willie Lewis
Donald Mallet
Terry Courville
Blanche Wilks
Ann Keene
Grace Garon
Worlita Williams
Edward Walters
Mona Gorbett-Cravins
Huey Beverly
Noah Aguillard

MEMBERS ABSENT

June Williams
Ricco Thomas
Ethel Tabor

GUESTS: Council on Aging Directors; Area Agencies on Aging Directors; and Amanda Smith, DOA Legal Counsel

GOEA STAFF:

Karen Ryder, GOEA Deputy Assistant Director; Jessica Ross, Secretary

HAROLD RITCHIE, LEBA CHAIRMAN

LEBA Chairman Harold Ritchie declared a quorum was present with (9) members in attendance. Mr. Ritchie asked for a motion to approve the March 23, 2017 minutes as written. Motion: Edward Walters 2nd Ann Keene- Motion carried. Mr. Ritchie asked for a motion to approve the GOEA Executive Director's Report. Motion: Ann Keene; Huey Beverly 2nd- Motion carried.

KAREN RYDER, ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Karen Ryder announced that the legislature is in a special session and that there will be no cuts. However, GOEA will hold back 2% on Supplemental Senior Centers until the end of the year to see if it will be needed. Mrs. Ryder also announced that EPS will return to GOEA on June 19, 2017. She explained that there will be 39 employees back but no funds for office space for the satellite offices. They are working to have those offices moved soon. Mr. Paul Colomb has retired and Amanda Smith from DOA will be his replacement for GOEA.

NEW BUSINESS

- Becky Bergeron president for Louisiana Council on Aging Director's Association (LACODA), announced that they have a training on July 25-26 in Lafayette and GOEA and also EPS will train and go over policies and procedures they will be working on and watching budget information. At the luncheon held in May, Ms. Bergeron nominated Frances Thompson as legislator of the year.
- Lisa Derouen president of Louisiana Aging Network Association (LANA) explained that they will host a conference on September 19-21 at the Golden Nugget in Lake Charles, La.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS & GUESTS

None

NEXT MEETING

LEBA's third meeting for 2017 is scheduled for September 19, 2017 at the Golden Nugget, 2:00 PM, 2550 Golden Nugget Boulevard, Lake Charles, LA 70601.

ADJOURN

Ann Keene: Motion to Adjourn, 2nd Harold Ritchie
Meeting Adjourned: 10:20 AM

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- Handouts:**
- (1) LEBA Sign-In Sheet, June 15, 2017
 - (2) LA Executive Board on Aging Member Listing Revised October 25, 2016
 - (3) LA Executive Board on Aging Agenda for Thursday, June 15, 2017
 - (4) Approved Minutes of the March 23, 2017 LA Executive Board on Aging Quarterly Meeting