

**Capital Area Human Services District Board Meeting
August 5, 2019 Minutes**

Directors Present: Thomas Sawyer, Chair; Kathy D’Albor, Vice Chair; Amy Betts; Christy Burnett; Gerri Hobdy, Gail Hurst; Vickie King; Rikki Permenter, PhD; and Gary Spillman

Directors Absent: Laverne Aguillard; Rev. Louis Askins; Becky Katz; Virginia Pearson; and Genny Nadler Thomas

	RESPONSIBLE PERSON	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW-UP
Approval of the August 5, 2019 Consent Agenda and Approval of the Minutes for June 10, 2019.	Mr. Sawyer	<p>Mr. Thomas Sawyer, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 1:05 p.m. A quorum was present.</p> <p>Dr. Permenter made a motion to approve the minutes of June 10, 2019 and the August 5, 2019 consent agenda. Ms. A. Betts seconded the motion.</p>	There were no objections and the motion passed.
Public Comment	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was no public comment. 	
Communications	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DD Forum: The first forum was hosted in Ascension Parish. Board member Ms. C. Burnett assisted with arranging the meeting setup. Attendees were very interested the available services and asked good questions. The next forum will be held in East Baton Rouge Parish, then will be moving out to the rural parishes. Dr. Kasofsky reported that CAHSD staff was appreciative of the Board letter commending them for their work during the recent building flooding of the CAHS Government Street location. Senator Barrow has a series of 3 different meetings and Dr. Kasofsky, S. Aguillard, and Dr. Laughinghouse were to each cover a meeting. Senator Barrow has been ill and two meetings were cancelled. Dr. Kasofsky is hopeful that the meeting tonight (8/5) will take place. She stated that CAHSD staff is mindful not to attend any meetings relating to fundraising/relections because government employees are not allowed to do so. Quality Blue Statewide Collaborative – 8/8: Quality (BCBS) is very satisfied with the work CAHSD is doing at the Baton Rouge Clinic. Dr. Brandt, Medical Director/BR Clinic has created a presentation that will be given to the statewide group. CAHSD staff was invited to be present. 	
CAHSD Response to Hurricane Barry	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Kasofsky provided an overview of CAHSD’s response to the recent weather event. She said EMT member, John Nosacka did a great job as Incident Commander in her absence. EMT members, Karen Pino, Bruce Salisbury, and Ramona Harris did a good job in/outside of the MSNS. S. Carter, HR Director, will be responsible 	

		for managing the submission of the Federal time sheets. She stated that the MSNS call down worked almost perfectly.	
Move plans	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North BR – Dr. Kasofsky provided status on the move details for MDMHC. The contract has still not been signed. MDMHC will be renamed and called CAHS – North. • Ascension Parish – GMHC will move soon. Dr. Kasofsky is speaking with the building owner tomorrow. CAHSD already has a lease; the problem is that the move can't go forward until an elevator is installed in the building since there is a second floor. • EBR – Services provided at the CAHSD Government Street location may be moving to Bon Carre on Florida Blvd. Dr. Kasofsky recently met with Commissioner Jay Dardenne and was told that CAHSD needs to have a lease in place within 60 days. R. Jabour is currently working on behalf of CAHSD with the building representatives re: the build out needed to make the space work for CAHSD. 	
Effort to Connect Hospitals OBOT	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Kasofsky provided an overview of community resources and efforts being made to connect with hospitals regarding opioid abuse discharges. People with a medical issue or those who've overdosed, are given a provider list in the hospital. Dr. Kasofsky recently met with 2 physicians to offer a peer to go to the floor to encourage follow through. They will probably use their own people to institute/improve the discharge process. Dr. Kasofsky stated her main goal is to get people connected to the care they need. Attention has now been brought to the issue that connecting discharges to a community-based provider is a weak area. Many times people don't show up for appointments following discharge. If CAHSD could have someone go to the hospital, the client could see this as a link i.e. like peers in the jail. The no show rate for appointments following discharge is terrible in general and this step could improve the rate. • Office Based Opioid Treatment (OBOT Designation: Part of the Federal money that came to Louisiana was to assist agencies in becoming OBOT. This means besides being a treatment provider, there are actually other services that you are connected to. i.e. case management, nurse outreach. CAHSD is in Region 2 - LDH wanted CAHSD to become the first in Region 2 OBOT, only 5 are allowed per Region. Dr. Kasofsky explained that the CAHSD attorney reviewed the paperwork because she was concerned with having nurses, and other staff from LSU connected to our clients. The attorney said this is okay because they are covered by their own malpractice insurance. Dr. Kasofsky is signing the paperwork and will provide additional OBOT information at the next meeting. 	Dr. Kasofsky will provide additional information re: OBOT.
School Based (SB)	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A SB Summer Camp report was distributed including locations and 	

Summer Camp Utilization & Locations		<p>the number of participants. The program was successful. The social workers were able to continue meeting with the kids outside of the camp, and will continue to see them during the school year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current list of schools was distributed. • Ascension Parish has asked CAHSD for placement of additional social workers in the Ascension Parish schools. • Dr. Kasofsky explained it is difficult to recruit social workers for some of the rural parishes because CAHSD social workers can't be paid for their travel time. CAHSD is making every effort to hire social workers in the rural areas. • Point Coupee: Ms. G. Hurst asked why CAHSD isn't currently in Rosenwald/Pointe Coupee. Dr. Kasofsky will follow-up with B. Sclafani and report back for Ms. Hurst. 	Dr. Kasofsky will follow-up with B. Sclafani and report back for Ms. Hurst.
Development of Child Division	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Kasofsky announced that CAHSD is developing a Children's Division and will hire a Director. This person will have a specific focus on Children's Services and will also be an EMT member. • Prescribers have been increased in CBHS with the addition of two nurse practitioners. CAHSD offers tele psych and has contracted with a psychiatrist to provide hours for CBHS. • K. Sheridan, PhD, ASCEND, will report to the Children's Division Director. • Quality Measures Department: Dr. Kasofsky explained that more and more, the 5 managed care organizations handling Medicaid are requesting that CAHSD show outcomes with regard to our clients getting prescriptions filled, how many times they return to the ER, if they get flu shots, and if they've had a colonoscopy. CAHSD will be paid a higher rate if we can show that we are doing as required. • Initially, the organizations are incentivized to participate and then if they don't get it in place for the next year, the insurers possibly won't contract with them. CAHSD has asked if we can show improved outcomes, relating to whether our clients are returning to the hospital. Two employees have been hired as case managers to work with K. Muzik to manage the quality component measures. Dr. Kasofsky explained how the measures are tracked through patient portals. 	
Bridge Center Progress Update	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two applicants responding to the solicitation of proposals (SOP) have been selected to do in person presentations to the Operations Committee Team on 8/13. On 8/19, The Bridge Board will meet and give their recommendations. By 8/21 their selection will be made public. 	
Legislative & AP Audit Results	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Legislative & AP Audit Summary Handouts were distributed for review. Dr. Kasofsky reported that CAHSD had a successful audit. 	

		Copies of the complete report were available.	
Trauma Care Grant received, ReCast EBR through the Mayor's Office	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The money (\$34K) must be spent by the end of September. Videos will be made to help ministers, other clergy and religious leaders to understand trauma and the impact it has on people. 	
Primary Care/Integrated Settings: Red Stick Pediatrics, BCBS Program at BR Clinic	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Red Stick Pediatrics – CAHSD was at Red Stick Pediatrics for approximately 2 years. CAHSD has discontinued the contract. The CAHSD social worker will return to the Government Street location. Red Stick will be able to hire their own social worker. CAHSD/Red Stick did not have a happy ending to the contract. The BCBS Program at BR Clinic is going strong; currently have 3 social workers there. Renovation of an office for the social workers is in progress. They will pay for a PT social services counselor. CAHSD and BCBS will soon have a signed contract. 	
FY'19 Budget Close-out	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This report wasn't available for the meeting and will be moved to the agenda for September. 	Moved to September agenda.
FY'20 Budget	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This report wasn't available for the meeting and will be moved to the agenda for September. 	Moved to September agenda.
SGR	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A SGR Report was distributed for review. Dr. Kasofsky reported that CAHSD did a good job meeting the set goal for this year. The goal for next year will be increased. 	
Board Training Opportunity	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Kasofsky stated that the September 16th Board meeting would include a Board training opportunity. A notice will be sent to Board members prior to the meeting. 	
Board Membership	Dr. Kasofsky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Kasofsky provided an overview of the EBR Parish Board membership status. Ms. V. Pearson and Mr. Sawyer were both reappointed by the Governor. Ms. Stephanie Webb was appointed by the Governor for the vacant EBR seat. Dr. Kasofsky provided an update on Iberville membership status. Mr. Songy has expressed interest in serving on the CAHSD Board. Rev. Askins has expressed a desire to discontinue service and Ms. D'Albor has expressed a desire to continue service. WBR: Mr. Spillman reported that two names have been submitted for the WBR vacant seat. 	
Report from Chairman			
Board Policy Review by Direct Inspection/Board Business			
Ends Focus of Grants or Contracts	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board members reviewed the Ends Focus of Grants or Contracts Policy and attachments. Ms. V. King made a motion to accept the policy without changes. Dr. Permenter seconded the motion. 	There were no objections and the motion passed.
Treatment of Mental Health & ARS Consumers	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board members reviewed the Treatment of Mental Health and ARS Consumers Policy and attachments. Ms. V. King made a motion 	There were no objections and the motion passed.

		to accept the policy without changes. Dr. Permenter seconded the motion.	
Annual Board Member Self-Evaluation	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The composite results of the Board Member Self-Evaluation were distributed and reviewed by the Board members. 	
Policy Review Global Linkage	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy Review Assignment - Global Linkage: Ms. G. Nadler was unable to attend the Board meeting but provided a written statement of review via email that was accepted by the Board. Mr. Sawyer read the following policy review on behalf of Ms. Thomas. This policy did not require a vote. “The policy sent to me was good and I didn’t feel that it needed any changes or updates.” 	
Next Policy Assignment	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next assignment: None 	
Adjournment	Mr. Sawyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was adjourned. 	
Next Meeting	Mr. Sawyer	The next CAHSD Board meeting will be on September 16, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. at 4615 Government Street, Building 2, Room 200A. Board training will be provided at this meeting.	