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**State of Louisiana**  
Executive Board on Aging

**MINUTES OF THE LA EXECUTIVE BOARD ON AGING (LEBA) MEETING  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ELDERLY AFFAIRS  
525 Florida Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
October 5, 2021  
10:00 AM via Zoom**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Quarterly Meeting of the Louisiana Executive Board on Aging (LEBA) was called to order at 10:05 AM by Leslie Keen, LEBA Chairman; with Cheri Crain serving as Secretary, on a conference call via Zoom.

Pledge of Allegiance: Leslie Keen

Invocation: Huey Beverly

**ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. Johnny Berthelot  
Ms. Blanche Wilks  
Mr. Huey Beverly  
Mr. Rico Thomas  
Ms. Ann Keene  
Ms. Leslie Louviere-Keen  
Mr. Donald Mallet  
Ms. Emily Tilley

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mr. Terry Courville  
Mr. Willie Lewis  
Ms. Worlita Williams

**GUESTS:** Council on Aging Directors; Area Agencies on Aging Directors, other members of the public

**GOEA STAFF:**

Shirley Merrick, Director, Cheri Crain, Secretary, Michelle Guillory, Compliance and Planning/EPS Program Manager 3, Kayla Doyle Program Manager 1A

**LESLIE LOUVIERE-KEEN, LEBA CHAIRMAN**

LEBA Chairman Leslie Louviere-Keen declared a quorum was present with (8) members in attendance.

**LESLIE KEEN, LEBA CHAIRMAN**

The Board considered and approved the meeting minutes from June 8, 2021. Motion to Approve: Huey Beverly Seconded: Blanche Wilks

**SHIRLEY MERRICK EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:** Executive Director's Report.

**LACOADA:** Mike Rome stated that the Centers are open and clients are returning; postponed fall meeting due to Hurricane Ida and the meeting will now be with the LANA Conference on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

**LANA:** Angele Authemont spoke regarding LANA Fall Conference will be held on December 14<sup>th</sup> thru December 16<sup>th</sup> at Paragon in Marksville. Let Angele know if you are attending the conference for the LEBA meeting and she will make sure room accommodations are made.

**COMMENTS:** Leslie acknowledge Ms. Jones the 2020 Health Champion

**NEXT MEETING**

The next Quarterly Board Meeting of the Executive Board on Aging will be held on December 16, 2021 at 10:00 AM, via Zoom or face-to face, will be determined at a later date. Meeting was changed from December 10<sup>th</sup> to December 16<sup>th</sup> to coincide with the Lana Conference. Motion to Approve: Anne Keen Seconded: Huey Beverly

**ADJOURN:** Moved the Ethics Training after the regular meeting. Motion to Approve: Ann Keen Seconded: Huey Beverly. Motion to Adjourn: Huey Beverly Seconded: Blanche Wilks. Meeting was adjourned at 10:49 am.

Prepared by Cheri Crain, Manager Compliance & Planning, Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs