

**NORTHEAST DELTA HUMAN SERVICES AUTHORITY (NEDHSA)**

**Board Meeting MINUTES**

**February 18, 2020**

**NEDHSA Administrative Offices**

**2513 Ferrand Street, Monroe, LA 71201**

**5:30PM**

**Call to Order** Meeting called to order by Michael Shipp and prayer was led by Thelma Merrells and a quorum was met.

**Adopt Agenda:** A Motion was made by Thelma Merrells seconded by Latanya Whiteside to approve /accept the Agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

**Adopt Minutes of November 19, 2019:** A Motion was made by Thelma Merrells and seconded by Latanya Whiteside to approve / accept the Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**Board Members Present:**

Mike Shipp, Latanya Whiteside, Yvonne Lewis, Dr. E. H. Baker and Thelma Merrells

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

**Ownership Linkage-Recognition of Guests:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** – No requests for comment.

**BOARD EDUCATION/ ENDS Items for DISCUSSION**

**Upcoming Events/Community Action**

Northeast Delta placed a take-back box on the campus of ULM Wednesday, January 15, 2020. It is permanently located at the campus police station.

Northeast Delta's Prevention and Wellness team will participate in the 38th Annual Black History Parade on February 19, 2020.

Northeast Delta is having its highly anticipated Faith, Addiction and Trauma: Healing Our Communities Conference March 26, 2020. It will be held at the West Monroe Convention Center from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Auditions are being held for Northeast Delta's regional psychodrama entitled Alky and Users: An Ongoing Tragedy. The appointment only auditions are scheduled for Saturday, February 8 and 22. Walk-in auditions will be held on Saturday, February 29 from noon to 4:30 PM. The location for walk-ins is Ouachita Parish Public Library.

Northeast Delta is hosting a JiggAerobics fitness event as part of its integrated healthcare model. It will be held at the Monroe Civic Center on February 19, 2020 from 6:30 PM to 8:00PM.

Dr. Sizer presented Northeast Delta's Faith Partnership Initiative model while at the Central Texas African American Family Support Conference on February 12, 2020. The conference was held in Austin, Texas.

Northeast Delta's criminal expungement pilot was featured in *Addiction Professional*, a highly respected, national online trade magazine on addiction related matters. Dr. Sizer was interviewed and asked several questions about this Lincoln Parish specific initiative.

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

### **Executive Director – Monthly Activity and Fiscal Reports**

After the ED's report was presented, along with the monthly Fiscal data, a Motion was made by Latanya Whiteside and seconded by Thelma Merrells to approve / accept the ED report, Strategic initiatives and Fiscal reports as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Strategic Initiatives:**

- A. Continue integrated healthcare model
- B. Continue Faith Partnership Initiative
- C. Continue LaRe, pilot prison-reentry program
- D. Continue SOWS, a pilot workforce development program
- E. Continue Operations Golden Years, a senior citizen initiative

**Financial Planning & Budgeting/Financial Condition and Activities** – *With respect to the 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.*

NEDHSA's FY19-20 appropriated budget is \$15,531,572. Our SGF = \$10,407,014. Our IAT = \$4,350,714. Self-generated = \$773,844.

## **BOARD**

- Public official Ethics Training - due by May 15 (page 32)
- Personal financial disclosure – due by May 15 (page 32)
- Board member Amanda Booth resigned due to unexpected conflicts with her work schedule that may arise

## **BOARD MANAGEMENT – Ongoing**

- Board Development/Parish Outreach
- Board Members Terms/Renewal of Appointments
- Travel Forms due MONTHLY

## **ADJOURN**

Next Meeting – **March 10, 2020 - 5:30 pm**  
Ouachita Parish Health Unit – Community Room  
1650 DeSiard Street, Monroe, LA 71202