

South Central Louisiana Human Services Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2026

Members Present: Bryan Zeringue (Lafourche), Sarah Hensley (Terrebonne), Dr. Eric Melancon (St. Mary), and Erica Lambert (Terrebonne)

Members Absent: Dymphna Landry (Assumption), Barbara Fuselier (St. Charles), Rachel Becnel (St. James)

Guest in attendance: Kristin Bonner (Executive Director), Misty Hebert (Deputy Director), Janelle Folse (Fiscal Director), Kensie Lasseigne (DD Director), Stephanie Benton (Secretary), and Shelby Hidago (Acting HR Director).

Agenda Item	Action Recommended/Outcome
Call to Order	Board Chairman Bryan Zeringue called the meeting to order at 5:53 p.m.
Opening Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance	Mr. Bryan Zeringue led the prayer and Dr. Eric Melancon led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Roll Call of Board Members	Secretary called the roll and indicated we do not have a quorum. No items will be voted on, this meeting is for information only.
Approval of Minutes	Minutes from the April 16, 2026 meeting will be reviewed at the next Board Meeting.
Board Issues	• <u>Board Member Travel Reimbursement</u>: Board Members were reminded to submit travel reimbursement forms. • <u>Board Vacancy – St. John the Baptist</u>: Ms. Bonner reported Mr. Adam Chauvin, Lafourche Parish, has officially resigned from his position with the Board. We do have a person of interest in the vacancy in St. John the Baptist Parish, she will apply in the parish. We will continue to advertise for the vacancies in St. John the Baptist and Lafourche Parishes.
Executive Director Report	<u>Agency Update</u>: Kristin Bonner • <u>BH Crisis Center Thibodaux</u>: Ms. Bonner reported we have received confirmation that our application was accepted by LSU Evidence to Practice, contracted through LDH for the Crisis Continuum. The space in which we were interested in, fell through. We continue to search for a facility to suit our needs. • <u>River Parishes BHC Lease</u>: Ms. Bonner reported we have paused our search at this time for a new space for RPBHC due to our concentration on the BH Crisis Center in Thibodaux. • <u>LaDOGE Request</u>: Ms. Bonner reported LDH is wrapping up FY26 and wants to know where we are in regards to the LaDOGE Request process. Ms. Bonner reviewed our response. The negotiation to privatize pharmacy services were finalized in June. The logistics for Genoa to assume these services will occur during FY27 quarter 1. We did not hire a contract physician, which resulted in a SGF savings of \$146,798. • <u>Policies for Approval</u>: The policies will be reviewed at the next scheduled Board Meeting. a) Policy 112 – Malpractice Liability b) Policy 128 – Corporation Citizenship c) Policy 131 – Corporate Compliance • <u>LPAA Certification</u>: Ms. Bonner reviewed the approved Certification of Annual Property Inventory. <i>Ms. Bonner introduced our new “Acting” HR Director, Ms. Shelby Hidalgo.</i>

Operational Report	<u>Operational Report:</u> Misty Hebert • <u>BH Program Updates:</u> Ms. Hebert discussed reorganizing our clinical side to better suit the agency as we become a Certified Community BH Crisis Center (CCBHC) and the need to have more of a systems approach. We have submitted job descriptions to Civil Service to get feedback before we make official changes. We are working on the best ways to adjust in order for growth in each area. We are still waiting on our Bureau of Justice Association (BJA) Grant with the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office for some of the Crisis Care Center funds. Ms. Bonner also reported we are still working with TriWest on the CCBHC. Louisiana has been granted the award. Ms. Bonner reported they are rolling out with START in this region. Ms. Hebert and Ms. Bonner have been connecting with people in the community. • <u>LAPAS:</u> Ms. Hebert reviewed the FY26 3rd Quarter LAPAS Report to include Administration Activities, Behavioral Health Services, Integrated Primary Care, Developmental Disabilities and General Performance Indicators.
Fiscal Report	<u>Fiscal Report:</u> Janelle Folse • <u>Monthly Budget Summary (February/March):</u> Ms. Folse will review the February/March monthly budget summaries at the next scheduled Board Meeting. • <u>Revenue Report (February/March):</u> Ms. Folse will reviewed the February/March revenue report at the next scheduled Board meeting. • <u>FY27 Budget Enrolled HBI:</u> Ms. Folse reviewed the FY2027 Enrolled House Bill 1, Legislatively Approved/Pending Governor's Signature. They are giving us three (3) positions, and they did reduce some of the excess authority, as requested. They funded some market adjustments and related benefits for the job appointments. We are still waiting on the finalization.
Developmental Disabilities	<u>Developmental Disabilities Report:</u> Kensie Lasseigne • <u>DD Updates:</u> Ms. Lasseigne reported they are working on wrapping up FY 2026. When June invoices are received, they will have a better idea of where they stand. Ms. Lasseigne also reported there are a few changes in the IFS Program starting FY 2027. They are giving vocational centers a pay increase from \$45.00/day to \$60.00/day. The requirements and expectations have changed, which increases cost. Ms. Lasseigne discussed they want to make a shift in the IFS-PCA Program (Personal Care Attendant Service). The pay is very limited in the program because the expectation is for individuals to roll into a waiver program, if those services are needed. They do fund some individuals that have a real need for it while they are waiting for their program to get approved. The change will result in a waiver service provider providing the services and getting paid rather than the family member. The pay will increase from \$11.00/hour to \$18.00/hour.
Old Business:	None
New Business:	• Shelby Hidalgo, Acting Human Resources Director – Review of Executive Director's Evaluation Ms. Hidalgo reviewed the Executive Director Evaluation Process Policy.
Views and Comments by the Public	None
Consideration of Other Matters	• <u>Board Meeting Schedule:</u> The next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 16, 2026 @ 6:00pm at the Administration office – 158 Regal Row.
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 6:34 pm.