



# Louisiana Commission on HIV & Hepatitis C Education, Prevention, and Treatment

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

New Orleans Regional AIDS Planning Council

Hybrid Meeting (Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82704219484>)

9:00 AM

## MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order:	Dr. Tavell Kindall, Chair
9:05 AM	
II. Roll Call:	Aisha McKenzie, Sr. Strategic Coordinator, SHHP, LDH
17 members, quorum met	
III. Old Business:	Dr. Tavell Kindall, Chair
A. Vote to Approve Minutes from 11/14/23, 2/6/24	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mitch Handrich motioned to approve minutes from 11/14/23. Austin Matthews seconded the motion.</li> <li>Consensus vote: minutes from 11/14/23 unanimously approved (no objections or abstentions).</li> <li>Mitch Handrich motioned to approve minutes from 2/6/24. DeAnn Gruber seconded the motion.</li> <li>Consensus vote: minutes from 2/6/24 unanimously approved (no objections or abstentions).</li> </ol>	
B. Vote to accept Commission seal	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mitch Handrich motioned to accept the proposed seal as the official Commission seal. George Nawas seconded the motion.</li> <li>Consensus vote: seal unanimously accepted as official Commission seal (no objections or abstentions).</li> </ol>	
IV. New Business	Dr. Tavell Kindall, Chair
A. Presentation: Hepatitis C Update	Anthony James, Deputy Director of Programs, SHHP, LDH
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Anthony James (Deputy Director of Programs, SHHP, LDH) presented data from LDH regarding the current state of Hepatitis C in Louisiana. Presentation slide deck attached.</li> <li>Commissioners asked questions of Mr. James.</li> </ol>	
B. Presentation: Prevention of HIV in Women of Color	Tamachia Davenport
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Tamachia Davenport of St. John #5 presented on prevention of HIV in Women of Color (no slide deck).</li> <li>St. John #5 Faith Church (<a href="https://www.fljesus.org/about/">https://www.fljesus.org/about/</a>) runs the Camp Ace and HIV Prevention Mobsters programs and participates in the Black Women and PrEP program. (<a href="https://www.louisianahealthhub.org/black-women-and-prep/">https://www.louisianahealthhub.org/black-women-and-prep/</a>)</li> <li>Topics covered included both mental and pragmatic barriers to PrEP usage within communities of Women of Color, as well as “client-centered” services and the importance of conversations including partners.</li> <li>Commissioners asked questions of Ms. Davenport.</li> </ol>	
C. Legislative Committee Update	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair – Tavell Kindall, Vice-chair: Dr. Shantel Hebert Magee.</li> <li>Committee Powers and Procedures proposal <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Power to write and submit letters on behalf of the entire Commission</li> <li>Legislative watch list issued to the entire Commission</li> <li>Meetings weekly at 8:30 AM on Tuesdays</li> <li>Draft letters will be sent to the entire Commission</li> <li>Vote to approve the powers/procedures <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mitch Handrich motioned to approve the proposed Legislative Committee powers and procedures. Phillip Griffin seconded.</li> <li>Roll call vote attached.</li> <li>Motion carried with 16 votes to approve and 1 abstention.</li> </ol> </li> </ol> </li> </ol>	

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D. May Commission Capitol Day and Reception	
1. Time/Date	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. May 13, 2024</li> <li>b. 8 AM start time</li> <li>c. Executive Committee is trying to set up a reception for after the session retires for the day at either the State Library or Capitol Park Museum.</li> </ul>	
2. Format	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Two tables in Rotunda from 8 AM until session retires for the day with 4 Commissioners serving in shifts.</li> <li>b. Tables will hold tailored packets for each legislator.</li> <li>c. Standing banner and signs for attention.</li> </ul>	
3. Logistics Team	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Kieta Mutepfa (volunteer)</li> <li>a. Marvin Anderson</li> <li>b. Phillip Griffin</li> <li>c. Tamachia Davenport – district-specific provider information</li> <li>d. Austin Matthews</li> <li>e. Chair to appoint more members of this special committee from Bylaws and Membership committees.</li> </ul>	
4. Invites to legislature	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Aisha to create calendar invite for legislators as a “save the date”</li> <li>b. Commissioners will send email invites to their legislators and any personal contacts they have)</li> <li>c. Print invitations to go out as well</li> </ul>	
5. Educational packets	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Aisha to request brochures from HIV service organizations throughout the state to include in legislative packets.</li> <li>b. SHHP to provide HIV and HCV surveillance data for each of the Public Health regions.</li> <li>c. Aisha to create “Meet the Commissioners” document for inclusion.</li> </ul>	
V. Other Business	Dr. Tavell Kindall, Chair
A. Announcements	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Tamachia Davenport: Women in Girls HIV Awareness Day 5-8 PM Library in Baton Rouge 3/13/24</li> <li>2. George Nawas 3-21-24 12-1pm Xavier University Women and Girls HIV Awareness</li> <li>3. Austin Matthews: Medicaid BH providers survey – paid participation for anyone interested</li> </ul>	
B. Public Comment	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Joe Santiago added an announcement about NORAPC AI training on 3/15/24.</li> </ul>	
C. Next Meeting Date: May 13, 2024, in Baton Rouge (no virtual option)	
D. Adjournment	Dr. Tavell Kindall, Chair
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Motion: DeAnn Gruber, Second: Phillip Griffin</li> <li>2. Consensus vote: unanimous (no objections or abstentions)</li> <li>3. 10:51 AM adjournment</li> </ul>	

**ATTACHMENTS:**

First Name	MI	Last Name	3/12/2024
H. Glenn		Anderson, Jr.	Absent
Regina		Ashford Barrow	Absent
Anthony	G.	Basco	Absent
Tamara	T.	Dioubate	Absent

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Marvin		Anderson	Present
Angelee	J.	Brown	Absent
Tanya	C.	Brown	Absent
Samuel	H.	Burgess	Present
Aimee		Cloyd	Present
Paulette		Pinargote Cornejo	Absent
George		Nawas	Present
Shantel	A.	Hebert-Magee	Absent
Crystal		Lewis	Absent
Phillip	T.	Griffin	Present
De Ann	Marie	Gruber	Present
Mitchell	C.	Handrich	Present
Tavell	L.	Kindall	Present
Monica		Johnson	Absent
Randy	L.	Lavespere	Present
Vatsana		Chanthala	Absent
Austin	L.	Matthews	Present
Tamachia	J.	Davenport	Present
Joy		Walters	Absent
David	M.	Mushatt	Present
Christopher		Guillory	Present
Norma	S.	Porter	Present
Lauren	E.	Richey	Present
Meta	R.	Smith-Davis	Present
Susan		Dupont	Present

**VOTING RECORD 3/12/2024:**

First Name	Last Name	Minutes 11-14-23	Minutes 2-6-24	Commission Seal	Legislative Committee
		Unanimous	Unanimous	Unanimous	
Marvin	Anderson				Yay
Angelee	Brown				
Tanya	Brown				
Samuel	Burgess				Yay
Aimee	Cloyd				Abstain
Paulette	Pinargote Cornejo				
George	Nawas				Yay
Shantel	Hebert-Magee				
Crystal	Lewis				
Phillip	Griffin				Yay
De Ann	Gruber				Yay
Mitchell	Handrich				Yay
Tavell	Kindall				Yay

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Monica	Johnson				
Randy	Lavespere				Yay
Vatsana	Chanthala				
Austin	Matthews				Yay
Tamachia	Davenport				Yay
Joy	Walters				
David	Mushatt				Yay
Christopher	Guillory				yay
Norma	Porter				Yay
Lauren	Richey				Yay
Meta	Smith-Davis				Yay
Susan	Dupont				Yay

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