



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

September 9, 2025
7711 Goodwood Blvd, Room 2F
12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

MINUTES

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:13 PM. Executive Committee members in attendance were Chair Patrick Seiter, Donna Collins Lewis, Kathy Kliebert, and Sharon Robinson. A quorum was determined.

Also in attendance was Charlotte Claiborne from the Bridge Center for Hope.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Seiter asked if any members of the public wished to comment. After hearing none, he proceeded with the agenda as written.

III. MINUTES

A. For Action: Approval of Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held July 8, 2025

Mr. Seiter reviewed the minutes from the July 8, 2025, Executive Committee meeting. On a motion by Donna Collins Lewis and a second by Sharon Robinson, the minutes were unanimously approved.

IV. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. For Discussion: Financial Overview

Mr. Seiter deferred to Ms. Robinson. Ms. Robinson provided the financial overview, noting that the Bridge Center received about \$100,000 in additional City-Parish funds, raising year-to-date tax revenue to roughly \$8 million. Total expenses are around \$4 million, with over 80% paid to the provider.

V. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

A. For Discussion: Resignations and Appointments

Mr. Seiter deferred to Ms. Claiborne for the update on the Nominating Committee. Ms. Claiborne reported that Kathy Kliebert, Gerri Hobdy, and Dr. Kathleen Crapanzano were ending their terms on December 31, 2025, and did not wish to be reconsidered. Ms. Claiborne also reported that Randal Johnson and Cindy Munn would like to be reconsidered for another term. In addition, Ms. Claiborne reported that a vacancy notice will be posted on October 1, 2025, to fill the upcoming three seats. Mr. Seiter noted that it would be ideal to have another psychiatrist on the board.

VI. BRIDGE CENTER ORDERS

A. For Discussion: MCO Meeting Update

Mr. Seiter deferred to Ms. Claiborne for the MCO Update. Ms. Claiborne reported that meetings with MCOs were ongoing and upcoming. Ms. Claiborne noted that AmeriHealth Caritas is scheduled for September 9, while Aetna is currently reviewing the HMA report internally before scheduling a meeting. Ms. Claiborne also reported that a meeting with Louisiana Healthcare Connections was held on September 5, 2025, and a meeting with Healthy Blue took place on August 14, 2025. Humana had meetings on August 11 and August 20, 2025, and United Healthcare met earlier on July 9, 2025.

VII. RECOVERY INNOVATIONS

A. For Discussion: Mobile Crisis Response

Mr. Seiter deferred again to Ms. Claiborne for an update on Mobile Crisis Response. Ms. Claiborne reported that a barrier is being installed on the van to support EMS equipment, which has already been ordered and is awaiting installation. Ms. Claiborne also mentioned that Recovery Innovations and EMS are meeting to discuss call levels, protocols, ride-alongs, and training, with a tentative go-live date of October 1, 2025. Additionally, Ms. Claiborne noted ongoing discussions about a possible field trip to New Orleans to collaborate with their EMS and mobile crisis team.

VIII. COMMUNITY RELATIONS

A. For Discussion: Commercial Space

Mr. Seiter deferred to Ms. Claiborne. Ms. Claiborne noted that Bridge Center for Hope received an anonymous grant to appear in the *Business Report* Giving Guide issue scheduled for November. Ms. Claiborne requested approval to cover half of the associated cost, with the anonymous donor providing the remaining portion. Ms. Claiborne noted that the opportunity will expand the organization's visibility beyond the November issue.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Seiter asked if there was any unfinished business. After hearing none, Mr. Seiter proceeded with the agenda as written.

X. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Seiter asked if there was any new business. After hearing none, Mr. Seiter proceeded with the agenda as written.

XI. ADJOURN

With no further business to conduct, and on a motion by Kathy Kliebert and a second by Donna Collins Lewis, the Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM.