



STATE OF LOUISIANA  
OFFICE OF GROUP BENEFITS



**MINUTES**

**OFFICE OF GROUP BENEFITS POLICY AND PLANNING BOARD**

**Thursday, July 14, 2016**

**10:00 AM**

**1201 North Third Street, Room 1-153**

**Baton Rouge, La. 70802**

**I. Call to Order**

- **Roll Call**
- **Attendees:**
  - Jeremy Jackson
  - Agnes Andrews
  - Valencia Tanner
  - Sen. Ronnie Johns
  - Rep. Robert Billiot
  - Kenneth Krefft
  - Frank Jobert
  - Deborah Copeland
- **Absent:**
  - Sen. John R. Smith
  - Sen. Dan Morrish
  - Corey Harvey
- **Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Swearing in of members by Joell Keller.**

- Rep. Robert Billiot
- Ms. Deborah Copeland

**III. Review and Approval of Minutes of June 1, 2016 Board meeting**

- Motion to approve minutes made by Sen. Ronnie Johns. Seconded by Rep. Robert Billiot. Approved unanimously.

**IV. CEO Report**

- **Plan and Financial Overview**
- **2017 Key Decisions**
- **Strategic Recommendations and Opportunities 2018 and beyond**

**V. Discussion on Strategic Recommendations**

- Board members discussed the strategic recommendations and the implementation process should the Board recommend to move forward with some or all, as well as communication with interested parties.

**VI. New Business – Next Board Meeting Date**

- Board meeting frequency was discussed. The consensus was quarterly meetings with meetings in between if necessary to address specific issues.
- Senator Johns briefly discussed a bill he sponsored in the 2016 Regular Session regarding pharmacy costs and well as a Senate Concurrent Resolution requiring a study on specialty and compound drugs and making these drugs available in non-specialty pharmacies.
- The Board discussed suggestions for communicating of Board meetings.

**VII. Public Comments**

- Comments were made by Assumption Parish School Board regarding the potential rate increase(s) versus benefit plan changes.

**Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn made by Rep. Billiot and seconded by Sen. Johns.

Approved by Board: Kenneth J. Kreffs

Date approved: July 14, 2018