

MCIU Community Advisory Board Quarterly Meeting

Date: 09/17/2025

Time: 6:30

Location: Corpus Christi Resource Center,
[2022 St Bernard Ave, New Orleans, LA 70116.](#)

Community Advisory Board (CAB) Mission Statement: 1) To ensure that program activities reflect the insights of directly impacted community members; and 2) support the integration of MCIU responses as part of a more effective emergency response system.

1. Call to order:

In Attendance	Regrets
Voting Members Jade Kobayashi Thuy Nguyen Lacy Hembree Kathryn Burkenstock LaTaisha Bridges Bruce Petrie Brandon Devezin Shon Williams	

<p>Nonvoting Members</p> <p>Ben Winger (NOHD)</p> <p>Travers Kurr (NOHD)</p> <p>Tyesha Davis (MCIU)</p> <p>Jan Tarantino (RHD)</p> <p>Sgt. Keira Isaac (NOPD)</p> <p>Victoria Schwandt (Via Link)</p> <p>Wanda Newsome (NOFD)</p> <p>Lauren Duhe (OPCD)</p> <p>Bill Salmeron (NOEMS)</p> <p>Teresa Thompson (OPCD)</p> <p>Nate Fields (Office of Homeless Serv.)</p> <p>Other invites</p> <p>Stephen Mosgrove (PCAB)</p>	
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Quorum confirmed? Yes No

Public members in attendance:

Review of Group Agreements

- Take space, make space
- Share responsibility for the success of the discussion
- Don't expect perfection, allow for mistakes
- Hard on systems, soft on people
- Limit distressing details about specific incidents

0. Adoption of Agenda

- a. Moved:
- b. Second:
- c. Motion:

1. Quarterly Business (6:30 to 6:45)

- a. Interest in having community/open meetings (main topic of today's meeting)
- b. Jade is the interim CAB chair, Kathryn is secretary, Shon remains co-chair
- c. Brianna voted as a temporary sitting member in meetings with low quorums and until we can recruit a new member.
 - i. **REQUEST TO NONVOTING MEMBERS:** Advertise for additional CAB members
 - 1. CAB wants 2 additional members to have a total of 10
 - 2. Who has the original list of member applications, and can it be given to Jade and Kathryn?
- d. Introducing Lacy
- e. **REQUEST:** The board is interested in meeting Ben and Travers separately, with new board members for further guidance
- f. Voting members continue to meet weekly to build a solid foundation for the CAB

2. Review of First Annual Report

3. Health Department updates (6:45-7:00)

- a. Performance information
- b. Progressive call volumes
- c. Community engagement
- d. Activities
- e. Other

4. Planning for Community meeting for next quarter (7:00-break)

- a. **Have special topics and listening sessions for community expectations, i.e.:**
 - i. **Goal to have topics for Community meetings to help keep meetings on track. Here are some examples/ideas that have come up recently:**
 - 1. Katrina trauma
 - 2. Holiday blues
 - 3. Education needs in the community
 - 4. Budget cuts in the community
 - 5. Housing resources/homelessness
 - a. Questions?
 - ii. **Need protocol for answering community questions**
 - 1. Point person for certain complaints:
 - a. Police questions
 - b. Mental health/hospitalization
 - c. Concerns about lack of resources
 - d. Help identify complaints and concerns

- i. CAB member will connect with a non-voting rep to develop protocols (“What we can and can’t say”)
 - e. Comment box, have a runner to give pen/paper to the comments not relevant to the current meeting
- 2. Resource list for events in the community: violence, natural disasters, trauma, etc.
- 3. Ideally, have a table with research, data, voting items, progress, and changes with protocols, running cab business, etc.
- iii. **Need protocol for those who email CAB asking for resources**
 - 1. Have received emails about resources in the community
 - a. Would it be best to forward to MCIU or have a couple of different sheets to send to those who ask?
- iv. **Logistics of community meeting**
 - 1. Need idea of budgeting for snacks and refreshments
 - 2. Planned location/date
 - 3. Have approved list of resources
 - 4. Structure for a public meeting
 - 5. Here to listen and not judge
- v. **Marketing for Community Meeting**
 - 1. Can MCIU and other non-voting members post sites?
 - 2. Printing and making flyers
 - a. Need a budget for this
- vi. **Questions?**

5. Motion to Adjourn

Moved:

Second:

Motion: