

MEETING MINUTES
ST. TAMMANY PARISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 2
d/b/a SLIDELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MONDAY - MARCH 27, 2023 - 6:00 P.M.
SLIDELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOUNDERS BUILDING
CONFERENCE ROOM (1ST Floor), 1150 ROBERT BLVD., SLIDELL, LA

The meeting of the St. Tammany Parish Hospital Service District No. 2 Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, March 27, 2023.

THOSE BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Dr. Cyril Bethala
Mr. Joseph “Joe” DiGiovanni
Mr. Larry Englande
Ms. Georgia Johnson (*arrived at 6:37 p.m.*)
Dr. Walter “Dub” Lane
Dr. Robert Mercadel
Dr. Tommy Morris
Mr. Bill Newton, *Orienting/Non-Voting Commissioner*
Mr. Shawn Paretti
Ms. Kristen Stanley-Wallace

THOSE BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: (** joined via video/teleconference; not counted in quorum*)
None

THOSE ALSO PRESENT: (** joined via video/teleconference*)

Ms. Sandy Badinger, Chief Executive Officer
Mr. Pat Bolander, Chief Financial Officer
Ms. Claire Chitwood, Chief Operating Officer
Ms. Kathy Sponge, Senior Executive Assistant
Mr. Gilbert Ganucheau, Chief Legal Officer
Dr. Matthew McElveen, Vice President Medical Affairs-SMH Physicians Network
Dr. James Newcomb, Vice President Medical Affairs
Ms. Holly Sanchez, Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. Kimberly Walker, Chief Nursing Officer

Ms. Stephanie Ferry, Raymond James & Associates
Ms. Laurie Panzeca, SMH Foundation Executive Director
Dr. Timothy Riddell, Ochsner Chief Executive Officer -Northshore and Mississippi Gulf Coast Region
Mr. C. Grant Schlueter, Foley & Judell LLC
Mr. Jim Tonglet, SMH Foundation Vice-Chairman

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Mr. Englande, Chair.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Mr. Englande declared a quorum of the Board was present.

PRAYER

Mr. Ganucheau delivered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Englande led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Mr. Englande welcomed all guests in attendance.

NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

The next Board of Commissioners meetings will be held at 6:00 p.m. in the Slidell Memorial Hospital Founders Building Conference Room (1st Floor), 1150 Robert Blvd., Slidell, LA.

- a. **Special Meeting, April 3, 2023** – held quarterly in conjunction with the OH/SMH JOA Strategy and Oversight Committee
- b. **Regular Meeting, April 24, 2023** – held monthly

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORKGROUP APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Englande made an additional Board of Commissioners Workgroup Appointment in accordance with the Board Bylaws Article III Section 2 with no dissent and also encouraged other Commissioners to advise him if they would also like to be a part of any of the Board Committees.

- a. **Board's Partnership Workgroup** – Dr. Mercadel, effective March 1, 2023

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- a. **SMH Foundation Executive Director – Laurie Panzeca; Vice-Chairman – Jim Tonglet**
 - **SMH Foundation Annual Report** – Annual report was presented for 2022 to the Commissioners and included volunteer recruitment, campaign mailings, office move to SMHRCC building, and special events such as Driving Out Cancer golf tournament and Rooftop Rendezvous. Discussed several ways patients were impacted through 2022 grants to the SMH Foundation, some of which were through Labor & Delivery unit, Radiation Oncology department, Community Outreach, Cancer Center/Comprehensive Breast Cancer Center, Pediatric Clinic and Volunteer Services. Financial information including budget, net revenue, grant awards, fundraising, investments, and 2022 annual campaign were also presented.
- b. **Chief Legal Officer – Gil Ganucheau**
 - **Louisiana Board of Ethics Annual Tier 2.1 Financial Disclosure Statement, Forms 417 and 405**– Reviewed the annual requirements surrounding the filing of Form 417 and Form 405. The deadline for filing, via US mail, fax, or on-line, is May 15, 2023 for calendar year 2022. Fines will occur if not received in a timely manner and it was recommended to Commissioners to keep evidence of submission.
- c. **Chief Executive Officer – Sandy Badinger**
 - **Northshore Healthscape** – Recap was given on how this healthcare sector pilot program began in which SMH partnered with other hospitals and organizations to keep healthcare local and to educate here. Many grants are received and letter to the Board of Regents Grant Selection Committee was shared in support of the Regional Healthcare Innovation Partnerships: *Expanding the Pipeline of Healthcare Professionals on the Northshore*. A final report from engaged consultant will be coming soon and will be shared with the Board.
- d. **Board Chair – Larry Englande**
 - **Louisiana Hospital Association Summer Conference Announcement** – This year's conference will be held on July 24-26, 2023 at the Perdido Beach Resort in Orange Beach, Alabama. Upon review of the conference brochure distributed, please consider attending and inform Ms. Esponge by way of completing the questionnaire provided and returning to her by May 1st for registration purposes as well as preferences on optional activities. A dinner for Commissioners, Senior Leaders, and their spouse/guest will also be arranged so we welcome your input on restaurant preferences.

LEVY AND COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAX RESOLUTION 2023
- ST. TAMMANY PARISH TAX ASSESSOR

A motion was made by Dr. Lane and seconded by Ms. Stanley-Wallace to adopt a resolution providing for the levy and collection of ad valorem tax (6.75 mils) in St. Tammany Parish Hospital Service District No. 2, to be spread upon the 2023 Assessment Roll of said Parish as presented.

There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, roll call vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea: Dr. Bethala, Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel,
Dr. Morris, Mr. Paretti, Ms. Stanley-Wallace

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Ms. Johnson

The motion passed.

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CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Paretti and seconded by Dr. Morris to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

- a. Approve Board Meeting Minutes, February 27, 2023**
- b. Accept Infection Prevention Plan 2023**
- c. Accept Patient Safety Plan 2023**
- d. Accept Quality and Performance Improvement Plan 2023**
- e. Approve Policy Revisions**
 - **IC-160 Surgery/Delivery/Labor and Delivery Room Attire**
 - **LD-860 Workforce COVID-19 Vaccination**
- f. Adopt Sales Tax Exemption Resolution 2023**
- g. Approve Contracts for March 2023 and Ratify Signed Contracts Received in February 2023**

There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea: Dr. Bethala, Mr. DiGiovanni, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Dr. Morris,
Mr. Paretti, Ms. Stanley-Wallace

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: Mr. Englande (Chair)

Absent: None

The motion passed.

Ms. Johnson arrived at 6:37 p.m.

FINAL COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

None

EXECUTIVE/STRATEGIC SESSION

There being no comments by the public and there being no further discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Stanley-Wallace and seconded by Dr. Mercadel for the Board of Commissioners to go into Executive Session in order to receive the records and proceedings of the Hospital Medical Executive/Credentials Committee, reports, statistics, minutes and proceedings of the Hospital/Medical Staff Quality Assurance Committee, standing committees of the Board, and any other related records and documents, pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17, La. R.S. 42:16, and La. R.S. 44:7D, and those items considered key to strategic planning and marketing as provided by La. R.S. 46:1073.

Vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea: Dr. Bethala, Mr. DiGiovanni, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Dr. Morris,
Mr. Paretti, Ms. Stanley-Wallace

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: Mr. Englande (Chair)

Absent: None

The motion passed.

The Board of Commissioners went into Executive Session at 6:38 p.m.

Dr. Riddell exited the meeting after giving Ochsner Update and Physician Recruitment Report during early part of executive session.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Ms. Stanley-Wallace for the Board of Commissioners to return to open session.

Vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea: Dr. Bethala, Mr. DiGiovanni, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Dr. Morris,
Mr. Paretti, Ms. Stanley-Wallace

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: Mr. Englande (Chair)

Absent: None

The motion passed.

The Board of Commissioners returned to Open Session at 7:34 p.m.

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MEDICAL STAFF AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL PRIVILEGES

A motion was made by Dr. Bethala and seconded by Dr. Morris to approve the Medical Staff and Allied Health Professional Privileges as presented.

There being no comments and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea: Dr. Bethala, Mr. DiGiovanni, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Dr. Morris,
Mr. Paretti, Ms. Stanley-Wallace

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: Mr. Englande (Chair)

Absent: None

The motion passed.

OH/SMH JOINT OPERATING AGREEMENT FINANCIAL REPORT

A motion was made by Dr. Lane and seconded by Mr. Paretti to accept the monthly OHS/SMH Joint Operating Agreement Financial Report as presented.

There being no comments and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea: Dr. Bethala, Mr. DiGiovanni, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Dr. Morris,
Mr. Paretti, Ms. Stanley-Wallace

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: Mr. Englande (Chair)

Absent: None

The motion passed.

SMH FINANCIAL REPORT

A motion was made by Dr. Lane and seconded by Ms. Stanley-Wallace to accept the monthly SMH Financial Report as presented.

There being no comments and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea: Dr. Bethala, Mr. DiGiovanni, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Dr. Morris,
Mr. Paretti, Ms. Stanley-Wallace

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: Mr. Englande (Chair)

Absent: None

The motion passed.

SETTLEMENT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT
- JANSSEN OPIOID LIGATION

A motion was made by Ms. Stanley-Wallace and seconded by Dr. Mercadel to authorize the District to participate in the Louisiana State-Local Government Opioid Litigation Memorandum of Understanding and to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners to execute any formal agreements necessary to implement the MOU, including the Settlement Participation Agreement for the Janssen Opioid Litigation Settlement, including a release of claims, as presented.

There being no comments and after complete discussion, roll call vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea: Dr. Bethala, Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel,
Dr. Morris, Mr. Paretti, Ms. Stanley-Wallace

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

The motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Paretti and seconded by Mr. DiGiovanni to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

- a. **Accept Draft of Finance Committee Minutes, March 20, 2023**
- b. **Accept Draft of Quality Committee Minutes, March 22, 2023**
- c. **Accept Grievance Summary Annual Report**
- d. **Accept Quality Report (Hospital)**
- e. **Accept Louisiana Home Care Financial Report**
- f. **Accept Northshore Extended Care Hospital Financial Report (“NSECH”-Skilled/LTAC Joint Venture)**
- g. **Accept Northshore Rehabilitation Hospital Financial Report (“NSR”-Rehab Joint Venture)**

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- h. Accept Hospital-Acquired Condition (HAC) Reduction Program Analysis**
- i. Accept Medicare Spending Per Beneficiary (MSPB) Report**
- j. Approve Marketing/Strategic Contracts for March 2023 and Ratify Signed Marketing/Strategic Contracts Received in February 2023**

There being no comments and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea: Dr. Bethala, Mr. DiGiovanni, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Dr. Morris,
Mr. Paretti, Ms. Stanley-Wallace

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: Mr. Englande (Chair)

Absent: None

The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no final comments or further discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Morris and seconded by Ms. Johnson to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

(original signature on file)
LARRY P. ENGLANDE, SR.
CHAIR

(original signature on file)
WALTER J. “DUB” LANE JR.
SECRETARY

(Minutes approved by Board of Commissioners on April 24, 2023)