

Jackson Parish Hospital
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
August 27, 2025

The Governing Board of Directors of the Jackson Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 met on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, at noon, in the Jackson Parish Hospital Board Room, 165 Beech Springs Road, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Board Members present were: Chris Bowman, Dr. William Slusher, Shontae Mims, and Kim Hutchinson. Hospital Staff present were: John Morgan, Jason Thomas, Bill Stansbury, Dr. Edward Mariano, Sunni Bougues, Jerry Allen, Shelley Malsam and Kelsey Arnold.

Bowman called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m., and Morgan gave the Invocation. There were 4 of the 5 members by Act 321 present; therefore, there was a quorum present.

Following a motion by Mims and second by Slusher, the August 27, 2025, meeting agenda was unanimously approved.

Following a motion by Hutchinson and second by Mims, the July 30, 2025, Regular Business Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved. All members present were in favor, and the motion carried.

There were no members of the public present; therefore, there were no public comments.

Dr. Edward Mariano, Chief of Staff, had nothing to report.

During the Chief Executive Officer's Report, Morgan presented the Omnicell equipment upgrade for approval noting that Windows 10 is going out and will not be usable in two months and we will need to upgrade to Windows 11 and we have to buy parts to go into the Omnicell to make it compliant. Morgan noted that it is cheaper to buy it than it is to lease it and the price is \$61,008 for three of them and it will be good for at least 5 years. There was a motion by Slusher and second by Hutchinson to approve the Omnicell equipment upgrade. All members present were in favor, and the motion carried. Morgan then gave a construction update noting that we are waiting for approval from State surveyors. Morgan mentioned that Phase 2 may be completed by June or July of next year. Morgan gave a friendly reminder to complete annual ethics training.

Stansbury requested a ratification of Special Checks, ACH Debits for the months of July and August 2025 as well as payables for August 6, 2025 and August 21, 2025. There was a motion by Slusher and second by Mims to ratify the payables for August 6, 2025 and August 21, 2025 and Special Checks and ACH Debits for the months of July and August. All members present were in favor and the motion carried. Stansbury continued to present financial report. Stansbury presented the Board with a packet of Financials, while also presenting a budget to actual comparison of the Statement of Net Position with the Assets and Liabilities.

Allen reviewed the Rural Health Clinic stats with the Board. Bougues then presented the ED Patient Arrival to First Documentation to Physician report. Noting that the average is 22.67 minutes.

Malsam then presented the Board with the Hospital Statistics for the month of July 2025.

At 12:28pm, there was a motion by Mims and second by Hutchinson to enter into an Executive Session to discuss Strategic Planning. All members present were in favor, and the motion carried. Dr. William Slusher was excused from the executive session. At 12:38pm, there was a motion by Mims and second by Hutchinson to return to regular session. All members present were in favor, and the motion carried.

Bowman asked for a motion to authorize Morgan to enter into negotiations with the pediatrician that has applied to our advertisement and with Dr. Sheila Mariano in regard to her contract renewal. There was a motion by Mims and second by Hutchinson to authorize Morgan to enter into negotiations with the pediatrician and with Dr. Sheila Mariano in regard to her contract renewal. Dr. Slusher abstained from the vote. All members present were in favor and the motion carried.

The next regular business meeting will be held Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 12:00 noon in the hospital board room.

Upon motion by Hutchinson and second by Mims, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 12:39 p.m.

Chris Bowman, Esq.
Governing Board Chairman
Jackson Parish Hospital

John L. Morgan, MBA, RN
Chief Executive Officer
Jackson Parish Hospital