

Jackson Parish Hospital
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2024

The Governing Board of Directors of the Jackson Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 met on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., in the Jackson Parish Hospital Ambulance Service at 115 Watts Street, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Board Members present were: Chris Bowman, Shontae Mims and Dr. William Slusher. Medical Staff present were: Dr. Sheila Mariano, Dr. Edward Mariano, Dr. Crouch, Dr. Dionne Nolan, and Ryan Grimmatt. Hospital Staff present were: John Morgan, Dr. Jason Thomas, Bill Stansbury, Jerry Allen, Sunni Bougues, and Kelsey Arnold.

Bowman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and Morgan gave the Invocation. There were 3 of the 5 members by Act 321 present; therefore, there was a quorum present.

Following a motion by Mims and second by Slusher, the December 10, 2024, meeting agenda was unanimously approved.

Following a motion by Slusher and second by Mims, the October 30, 2024, 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, presented the appointment, reappointment, and resignation/termination recommendations. There was a motion by Slusher and second by Mims to approve the Chief of Staff Report as presented. All members present were in favor and the motion carried.

During the Chief Executive Officer's Report, Morgan provided the Board with an overview of the accomplishments within Jackson Parish Hospital and the Rural Health Clinics; while noting that JPH is financially better off than ever with the total net in change position at 12.93 Million since last year. Morgan mentioned the projects that were completed in 2024 such as completing the endoscopy building, Suite D expansion for Dr. Nolan, rear parking lot, getting new IV pumps for the entire hospital, and we also had multiple zero deficiency surveys. Morgan then noted the clinical success for 2024, such as Dr. Nolan starting in February, and re-signed Dr. Slusher and Dr. Ed Mariano. Morgan introduced Ryan Grimmatt who will be starting January 6th as the NP joining Dr. Slusher at Jackson Parish Hospital Family Care Clinic. Morgan praised the medical staff of JPH and mentioned that JPH is able to retain and recruit employees. Morgan mentioned that he and Dr. Thomas were given the opportunity to speak at the NRHA in New Orleans on the success of the hospital. Morgan then noted he spoke at the Jonesboro Study Guild group in October about the updates of the hospital and received many compliments about the hospital. Morgan thanked the members of the Board for all of their support. Morgan then gave a friendly reminder to complete the annual Ethics training.

During the COO/CIO Report, Thomas presented the ER Access Control Expansion Quote for approval. Thomas noted that it is for Emergency Room expansion and is for the door and badge

readers, panic buttons, and some door hardware to automatically open doors when the handicapped button is pressed. Thomas noted that the total cost is \$106,210. Bowman asked if this is a company we are currently using and Thomas stated yes, it is. There was a motion by Mims and second by Slusher to approve the ER Access Control Expansion Quote for \$106,210. All members present were in favor and the motion carried. Thomas then presented the Syncope Protocol Revision Policy. Thomas noted that it has been approved by Med Staff. There was a motion by Slusher and second by Mims. All members present were in favor and the motion carried. Thomas then presented the SDS Manual Policy for approval. Thomas noted that we are standardizing this process so paper manuals won't be needed everywhere and SDS sheets can be centrally managed and updated. Mims asked if there is yearly training on it and Thomas mentioned it is part of the annual staff CareLearning training. There was a motion by Slusher and second by Mims. All members present were in favor and the motion carried.

Stansbury requested a ratification of Special Checks, ACH Debits for the months of October, November and December 2024 as well as payables for October 31, 2024, November 15, 2024, and November 26, 2024. There was a motion by Mims and second by Slusher to ratify the payables for October 31, 2024, November 15, 2024, and November 26, 2024, and Special Checks and ACH Debits for the months of October, November, and December. 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. Allen presented the ED Patient Arrival to First Documentation to Physician report. Noting that the average is 21.58 minutes.

Bougues then presented the Board with the Hospital Statistics for the month of November.

There was no Executive Session.

Bowman welcomed everyone and stated that we had a great year.

Crouch asked about a report on the construction. Morgan noted that it is going well and that the stud walls are up for the most part on the endoscopy side. Morgan said that they are saying around April for that section to be complete and then phase two will start.

The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, January 22, 2024, at 12:00 noon in the hospital board room.

Upon motion by Slusher and second by Mims, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Chris Bowman, Esq.
Governing Board Chairman
Jackson Parish Hospital

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