

Jackson Parish Hospital
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
October 25, 2023

The Governing Board of Directors of the Jackson Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 met on Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at noon, in the Jackson Parish Hospital Board Room, 165 Beech Springs Road, Jonesboro, Louisiana. Board members present were: Chris Bowman, Angela Curtis, Shontae Mims, and Dr. William Slusher. Hospital Staff present were: John Morgan, Dr. Jason Thomas, Bill Stansbury, Dr. Sheila Mariano, Sunni Bougues, Jerry Allen, Shelley Malsam and Kelsey Arnold.

Bowman called the meeting to order at 12:13 p.m., and Morgan gave the invocation. There were 4 of the 5 members by Act 321 present; therefore, there was a quorum present.

Bowman requested to amend the agenda to add 'consider bids for parking lot and storage building' and 'add an additional provider to the hospital clinics'. Following a motion by Mims and second by Curtis, the October 25, 2023, amended meeting agenda was unanimously approved.

Following a motion by Curtis and second by Slusher, the September 27th, 2023, 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. Sheila Mariano, Chief of Staff, had nothing to report.

During the Chief Executive Officer's Report, Morgan began by requesting a date to be set for the December Governing Board of Directors and Medical Staff meeting. The December Governing Board of Directors and Medical Staff meeting is set for December 12th at 6 p.m. at the Jackson Parish Ambulance Service building. Next Morgan asked if the board is okay with not having a November meeting and it was decided not to have one in the month of November. Morgan then presented the Long-Term Disability for employees for approval. Morgan explained that it is through the Hartford and is asking approval for the hospital to pay for the plan for fulltime employees at \$5,124.20 per month and it is a maximum monthly benefit of \$12,500 or 60% of gross income. Slusher abstained from voting for approval of the Long-Term Disability for fulltime employees. There was a motion by Mims and second by Curtis to approve the Long-term Disability for fulltime employees. All members present except Dr. Slusher were in favor and the motion carried. Morgan reported that Jackson Parish Hospital has been selected as the 2023 LRHA Outstanding Rural Health Organization of the Year Award.

During the COO/CIO Report, Thomas presented the revised Restraint Policy and asked Bougues to explain this policy since she is more familiar with it. Bougues explained that it was revised to clarify the differences between non-violent and violent patient restraints as the previous policy did not contain such information. Bowman asked Dr. Mariano if it was approved through Med Staff and she stated it was approved. There was a motion by Curtis and second by Slusher to approve the revised Restraint Policy. All members present were in favor and the motion carried. Thomas then mentioned that the Radiology Department was accredited by ACR for mammography and for functioning on a high level.

During the CFO Report, there were no financials to review but did report that the hospital is doing well financially as of the current date. Stansbury requested a ratification of Special Checks, ACH Debits for the

months of September and October 2023 as well as payables for October 3, 2023 and October 23, 2023. There was a motion by Curtis and second by Slusher to ratify the payables for October 3, 2023 and October 23, 2023, and Special Checks and ACH Debits for the months of September 2023 and October 2023. All members present were in favor and the motion carried.

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 25.44 minutes.

Malsam then presented the Board with the Hospital Statistics for the month of September 2023.

At 12:31 pm, there was a motion by Mims and second by Curtis to enter into an Executive Session to discuss Strategic Planning. All members present were in favor, and the motion carried. At 12:46 pm, there was a motion by Curtis and second by Mims to return to regular session. All members present were in favor, and the motion carried.

There was a motion by Mims and second by Slusher to accept the low bid of \$798,277 from DSW Construction for the back parking lot. All members present were in favor and the motion carried.

There was a motion by Curtis and second by Mims to approve Mr. Morgan to negotiate with a new provider for the clinic. All members present were in favor and the motion carried.

There were no board comments made.

The next regular business meeting will be held Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Jackson Parish Ambulance Service building.

Upon motion by Slusher and second by Mims, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Chris Bowman, Esq.
Governing Board Chairman
Jackson Parish Hospital

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