

MEETING MINUTES
ST. TAMMANY PARISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 2
dba SLIDELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
FINANCE COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 17, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joseph “Joe” DiGiovanni
Larry Englande
Georgia Johnson (*arrived at 5:15 p.m.*)
Walter “Dub” Lane (Committee Chair)
Tommy Morris
James “Bill” Newton
Kristen Stanley-Wallace

OTHER BOC MEMBERS PRESENT:

N/A

THOSE MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

THOSE ALSO PRESENT:

Sandy Badinger, Chief Executive Officer
Pat Bolander, Chief Financial Officer
Kathy Esponge, Sr. Executive Assistant
Gilbert Ganuchau, Chief Legal Officer
Dayna Hall, Business Operations and Planning Manager
Holly Sanchez, Chief Administrative Officer
Jason Wilson, Chief Operating Officer

Lester Richoux, LaPorte CPAs and Business Advisors

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Dr. Lane, Committee Chair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Mr. Newton to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2024 Finance Committee special meeting as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 19, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

LOUISIANA LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR'S COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

A motion was made by Mr. Englande and seconded by Ms. Stanley-Wallace to recommend to the Board of Commissioners adoption of the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Compliance Questionnaire for 2024 audit period as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

RESOLUTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION OF BANK DEPOSITORY (Hancock Whitney)

A motion was made by Mt. DiGiovanni and seconded by Dr. Morrow to recommend to the Board of Commissioners adoption of the Resolutions Regarding Authorization of Bank Depository (Hancock Whitney) reflecting Board officer changes as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

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SECONDARY BANK DEPOSITORY DISCUSSION

Discussion only; no action taken at this time.

EXECUTIVE/STRATEGIC SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Ms. Stanley-Wallace for the Finance Committee 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. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried, and the Committee went into executive session at 5:05 p.m.

Ms. Johnson arrived at 5:15 p.m. during executive session.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Newton and seconded by Ms. Stanley-Wallace for the Finance Committee to return to open session. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried, and the Committee returned to open session at 5:26 p.m.

FY 2024 INDEPENDENT AUDIT PREPARATION AND REPORTING PLAN

Mr. Richoux presented the FY 2024 Independent Audit Preparation and Reporting Plan submitted by LaPorte CPA's and Business Advisors. A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Ms. Stanley-Wallace to recommend to the Board of Commissioners acceptance of the FY 2024 Independent Audit Preparation and Reporting Plan, including the Plan Communications, Audit-FS Engagement, and SAUP Arrangement with LaPorte as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

PROF. LIABILITY/MALPRACTICE SETTLEMENT REQUEST (LHA Trust Funds Claim No. T51X-171221256-40)

A motion was made by Mr. Newton and seconded by Mr. Englande to recommend to the Board of Commissioners approval of the Prof. Liability/Malpractice Settlement Request (LHA Trust Funds Claim No. T51X-171221256-40) as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

SMH MAIN 1100 WING RENOVATION FF&E BUDGET APPROVAL

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Dr. Morris to recommend to the Board of Commissioners approval of the SMH Main 1100 Wing Renovation FF&E Budget Approval as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

HERO EDUCATION GRANT

Discussion only.

REPORTS

A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Dr. Morris to recommend to the Board of Commissioners acceptance of the following report(s) as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

- a. **Louisiana Home Care of Slidell Financial Report**
- b. **Northshore Rehabilitation Hospital Financial Report ("NSR" -Rehab Joint Venture)**
- c. **SMH Financial Report, January 2025**

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CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS - MARKETING/STRATEGIC FOR APPROVAL/RATIFICATION

A motion was made by Ms. Stanley-Wallace and seconded by Ms. Johnson to the Board of Commissioners approval of marketing/strategic contracts for February 2025 and ratification of signed marketing/strategic contracts received in January 2025 as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion to come before the Committee, a motion was made by Dr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Englande to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

(Draft of Minutes accepted by Board of Commissioners on February 24, 2025)
(Minutes approved by Finance Committee on May 19, 2025)