

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**ST. TAMMANY PARISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 2**  
**dba SLIDELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**FEBRUARY 19, 2024 – 5:00 P.M.**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Joseph “Joe” DiGiovanni  
Larry Englande  
Georgia Johnson  
Walter “Dub” Lane (Committee Chair)  
Tommy Morris  
James “Bill” Newton

**OTHER BOC MEMBERS PRESENT:**

N/A

**THOSE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Kristen Stanley-Wallace

**THOSE ALSO PRESENT:**

Sandy Badinger, Chief Executive Officer  
Pat Bolander, Chief Financial Officer  
Claire Chitwood, Chief Operating Officer  
Kathy Sponge, Sr. Executive Assistant  
Gilbert Ganucheau, Chief Legal Officer  
Holly Sanchez, Chief Administrative Officer

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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 January 22, 2024 Finance Committee meeting as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 18, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

**CARDIO-PULMONARY BYPASS PUMPS**

**PUBLIC BID AUTHORIZATION**

A motion was made by Mr. Englande and seconded by Ms. Johnson to recommend to the Board of Commissioners authorization to issue Public Bid for the Cardio-Pulmonary Bypass Pumps capital expenditure project in O.R. as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

**CONTRAST INJECTORS**

**PUBLIC BID AUTHORIZATION**

A motion was made by Mr. Englande and seconded by Ms. Johnson to recommend to the Board of Commissioners authorization to issue Public Bid for the Contrast Injectors capital expenditure project in Cath Lab as presented. After full and complete discussion, the motion carried.

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**EXECUTIVE/STRATEGIC SESSION**

A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Dr. Morris 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 5:04 p.m.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

A motion was made by Mr. Englande and seconded by Mr. Newton 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 5:55 p.m.

**FY 2023 INDEPENDENT AUDIT PREPARATION AND REPORTING PLAN**

Mr. Richoux presented the FY 2023 Independent Audit Preparation and Reporting Plan submitted by LaPorte CPA's and Business Advisors. A motion was made by Dr. Morris and seconded by Mr. DiGiovanni to recommend to the Board of Commissioners acceptance of the FY 2023 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.

**REPORTS**

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Mr. DiGiovanni 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 2024**

**CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS - MARKETING/STRATEGIC FOR APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Newton to the Board of Commissioners approval of marketing/strategic contracts for February 2024 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 5:56 p.m.

*(Draft of Minutes accepted by Board of Commissioners on February 26, 2024)*  
*(Minutes approved by Finance Committee on March 18, 2024)*