MEETING MINUTES
ST. TAMMANY PARISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 2
d/b/a SLIDELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

THURSDAY - MAY 28, 2026 - 6:00 P.M.
SLIDELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL REGIONAL CANCER CENTER
SKYVIEW CONFERENCE ROOM (#302), 1120 ROBERT BLVD., SLIDELL, LA

The meeting of the St. Tammany Parish Hospital Service District No. 2 Board of Commissioners was held on Thursday, May 28 2026.

THOSE BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:
Mr. Joseph "Joe" DiGiovanni
Mr. Larry Englande
Ms. Georgia Johnson
Dr. Matthew Miller
Dr. Tommy Morris
Ms. Kristen Stanley-Wallace

THOSE BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Dr. Walter "Dub" Lane
Mr. James "Bill" Newton
Dr. Robert Mercadel

THOSE ALSO PRESENT:
Ms. Sandy Badinger, Chief Executive Officer
Ms. Jennifer Berger, Director, Enterprise Communications
Mr. Pat Bolander, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Gilbert Ganucheau, Chief Legal Officer
Mr. Ray Holmes, Chief Nursing Officer
Ms. Krista Rainey, Senior Executive Assistant
Mr. Jason Wilson, Chief Operating Officer
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Dr. Samy Abdelghani, Ochsner Associate Regional Medical Director-St. Tammany East
Mr. Jeff Edge, Ochsner Chief Operating Officer-Northshore and Mississippi Gulf Coast Region
Dr. Richard Leblanc, Ochsner Regional Medical Director-Northshore and Mississippi Gulf Coast, and Rush Regions
Mr. Blake Sistrunk, Ochsner Business Operations and Planning Manager-Northshore and Mississippi Gulf Coast Region
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Mr. Paul McCann
Ms. Rachel Litchliter
Mr. Grant Schulter
Ms. Stephanie Ferry

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Ms. Stanley-Wallace, Chair.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM
Ms. Stanley-Wallace declared a quorum of the Board was present.

PRAYER
Mr. Ganucheau delivered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Ms. Stanley-Wallace led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS
Ms. Stanley-Wallace welcomed all guests in attendance.

NEXT BOARD MEETINGS
The next Board of Commissioners meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. in the Slidell Memorial Hospital Regional Cancer Center Skyview Conference Room (#302), 1120 Robert Blvd., Slidell, LA.

a. **Special Meeting on June 29, 2026** – OH/SMH JOA Strategy and Oversight Committee
- 5:00 p.m. in the SMHRCC Skyview Conference Room, Slidell, LA

b. Regular Meeting on June 29, 2026
- 6:00 p.m. in the SMHRCC Skyview Conference Room, Slidell, LA

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. Chief Legal Officer – Gil Ganucheau

b. Chief Executive Officer – Sandy Badinger

c. Board Chair – Kristen Stanley-Wallace

General Obligations Bonds – Bid Advertising
A motion was made by Dr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Englande to adopt a resolution to advertise for bids for the purchase of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2026, of St. Tammany Parish Hospital Service District No. 2 and providing for other matters in connection therewithin as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed.

General Obligation Bonds – Incurring Debt & Issuance
A motion was made by Dr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Englande to adopt a resolution to authorize the incurring of debt and issuance of General Obligation Bonds; Series 2026 of St. Tammany Parish Hospital Service District No. 2; and providing for other matters in connection therewith as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed.

Contracts
There were no contracts for approval in open session.

Anterior Hip Navigation System
A motion was made by Dr. Miller and seconded by Dr. Morris to authorize issuance of Public Bid for the Anterior Hip Navigation System as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed.

3rd & 4th Floor Registration Desks Renovations
A motion was made by Dr. Morris and seconded by Dr. Miller to award the construction for SMH MOB 1 3rd and 4th Floor Registration Desk Renovations to Legacy Construction & Development in the amount of two hundred twenty-nine thousand dollars ($229,000.00) as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)

Absent: Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton
The motion passed.

SMH Public Bathroom Renovations
A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Dr. Morris to award the construction contract for the SMH First Floor Public Bathroom Renovation to Cox Parker Contractors, LLC in the amount of one hundred sixty-six thousand, one hundred dollars ($166,100.00) as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

SMH MOB1 Generator Procurement and Installation
A motion was made by Dr. Miller and seconded by Ms. Johnson to award the contract for SMH MOB1 Generator Procurement and Installation to Hi-Tech Electric, Inc. in the amount of One Million, Four Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars ($1,465,000.00) as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Mercadel, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris, Mr. Newton
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane

The motion passed

CONSENT AGENDA
A motion was made by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Dr. Miller to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

a. **Approve Board Meeting Minutes, April 30, 2026** *(Regular Meeting)*

There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

EXECUTIVE/STRATEGIC SESSION
There being no comments by the public and there being no further discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Miller and seconded by Dr. Morris for the Board of Commissioners 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.
Vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

The Board of Commissioners went into Executive Session at 6:16 p.m.

All guests/presenters exited the meeting.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION
A motion was made by Mr. Englande and seconded by Mr. DiGiovanni for the Board of Commissioners to return to open session.
Vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

The Board of Commissioners returned to Open Session at 7:47 p.m.

MEDICAL STAFF AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL PRIVILEGES
A motion was made by Dr. Miller and seconded by Mr. DiGiovanni to approve the Medical Staff and Allied Health Professional Privileges as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

SMH FINANCIAL REPORT
A motion was made by Dr. Morris and seconded by Mr. DiGiovanni to accept the monthly SMH Financial Report as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

Louisiana Home Care of Slidell Financial Report
A motion was made by Dr. Miller and seconded by Ms. Johnson to accept the Louisiana Home Care of Slidell Financial Report as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

Northshore Rehabilitation Hospital Financial Report
A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Dr. Morris to accept the Northshore Rehabilitation Hospital Financial Report as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)

Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

Marketing/Strategic Contracts
A motion was made by Dr. Miller and seconded by Ms. Johnson to accept the Marking/Strategic Contracts Approval for May 2026 and Ratification for April 2026 as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

Anterior Hip Navigation System Budget Approval
A motion was made by Dr. Miller and seconded by Mr. DiGiovanni to authorize the issuance of Public Bid for the Anterior Hip Navigation System as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

SMH MOB1 Generator Procurement and Installation Budget Revision
A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Mr. Englande to approve the budget revision for the SMH MOB1 Generator Procurement and Installation Budget Revision as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed

457F Plan Amendment
A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Mr. Englande to approve the 457F Plan Amendment as presented.
There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris
Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE CONSENT AGENDA
A motion was made by Dr. Miller and seconded by Mr. DiGiovanni to approve the Executive Consent Agenda as presented:

a. **Accept Draft of Quality Committee Minutes, May 20, 2026**
b. **Accept Quality Report (Hospital)**

There being no comments by the public and after complete discussion, vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea:	Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Miller, Dr. Morris

Negative – No:	None
Abstain:	Ms. Stanley-Wallace (Chair)
Absent:	Dr. Lane, Dr. Mercadel, Mr. Newton

The motion passed.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND FINAL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT
There being no final comments by the public or further discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Englande to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was ***adjourned at 7:51 p.m.***

(original signature on file)	*(original signature on file)*
KRISTEN R. STANLEY-WALLACE	**WALTER J. "DUB" LANE JR.**
CHAIR	**SECRETARY**

(Minutes approved by Board of Commissioners June 29, 2026)