

MEETING MINUTES
ST. TAMMANY PARISH HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 2 dba SLIDELL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS EDUCATION CONFERENCE

FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 5, 2025 - 9:00 A.M.
SOUTHERN HOTEL – OLYMPIA ROOM
428 EAST BOSTON STREET, COVINGTON, LA

The annual education conference of the St. Tammany Parish Hospital Service District No. 2 Board of Commissioners was held on Friday, September 5, 2025.

THOSE BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Joseph “Joe” DiGiovanni
Mr. Larry Englande
Ms. Georgia Johnson
Dr. Walter “Dub” Lane
Mr. James “Bill” Newton
Ms. Kristen Stanley-Wallace

THOSE BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dr. Robert Mercadel
Dr. Tommy Morris
Dr. Francis Petitto

THOSE ALSO PRESENT:

Ms. Sandy Badinger, Chief Executive Officer
Mr. Pat Bolander, Chief Financial Officer
Ms. Kathy Sponge, Senior Executive Assistant
Mr. Gilbert Ganucheau, Chief Legal Officer
Mr. Ray Holmes, Chief Nursing Officer
Dr. Charlane Liles, Vice President Medical Affairs
Ms. Krista Rainey, Executive Assistant
Mr. Jason Wilson, Chief Operating Officer

Dr. Samy Abdelghani, Associate Regional Medical Director, St. Tammany East, OH
Ms. Tiffani Ducote, Director-Regional Business Operations & Planning, OH
Mr. Jeff Edge, Chief Operating Officer, Northshore and Mississippi Gulf Coast Region, OH
Dr. Richard Leblanc, Regional Medical Officer, Northshore East and Mississippi Gulf Coast Region and Rush Health, OH
Ms. Lisa Martin, Chief Financial Officer, Northshore and Mississippi Gulf Coast Region, OH
Mr. Blake Sistrunk, Manager of Business Operations & Planning, Northshore East and Mississippi Gulf Coast Region, OH

----- *Guest Speakers* -----

Ms. Amy Trainor, System VP-Chief Information Officer, OH
Mr. Scott Simeone, VP-Experience and Digital Transformation, OH
Mr. Dominic Luke, Chief Executive Officer, GRIT Coaching
Ms. Rachelle Long, AVP-Telemedicine/Virtual Care Center, OH
Ms. Melinda Stretzinger, Manager-Telemedicine/Virtual Nursing, OH
Mr. Ben Lott, AVP-Associate Administrator, SMH
Dr. Andrew Pizza, Sr. Physician-Medical Director/Emergency Medicine, SMH
Mr. Will Douglass, Manager-Process Improvement/Lean Six Sigma Green Belt, OH

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Ms. Stanley-Wallace, Chair.

DECLARATION OF QUORUM

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

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Ms. Stanley-Wallace welcomed those present and introduced guest speakers present.

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EXECUTIVE/STRATEGIC SESSION

There being no further comments or discussion, a motion was made by Dr. Lane and seconded by Mr. DiGiovanni for the Board of Commissioners to go into Executive Session in order to discuss 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. Lane, Mr. Newton, Ms. Stanley-Wallace Chair)

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Dr. Mercadel, Dr. Morris, Dr. Petitto

The motion passed.

The Board of Commissioners went into Executive Session at 9:01 a.m.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentations and discussions were held on the following topics.

<u>Agenda Item:</u>	<u>Presenter:</u>
Technology and AI Update	Amy Trainer / Scott Simeone
Grit Coaching	Dominic Luke
Virtual Nursing	Rachelle Longo / Melinda Stretzinger
ED Throughput	Ben Lott / Dr. Andrew Pizza / Will Douglass
SPA/JOA Agreements between SMH & Ochsner	Gil Ganucheau
Board Role and Responsibility	Gil Ganucheau
Closing Discussion – Board Evaluation	Kristen Stanley-Wallace / All

Guest speakers outside of the organization exited the conference after presenting his/her item during executive session.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. DiGiovanni and seconded by Mr. Englande for the Board of Commissioners to return to open session.

Vote was held as follows:

Affirmative – Yea: Mr. DiGiovanni, Mr. Englande, Ms. Johnson, Dr. Lane, Mr. Newton, Ms. Stanley-Wallace Chair)

Negative – Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Dr. Mercadel, Dr. Morris, Dr. Petitto

The motion passed.

The Board of Commissioners returned to Open Session at 2:41 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no final comments by the public or further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Englande and seconded by Ms. Johnson to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was ***adjourned at 2:42 p.m.***

(original signature on file)
KRISTEN R. STANLEY-WALLACE
CHAIR

(original signature on file)
WALTER J. “DUB” LANE JR.
SECRETARY

(Minutes approved by Board of Commissioners on September 29, 2025)