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Acadia St. Landry Hospital  
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes  
September 22, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Acadia St. Landry Hospital Service Districts No. 6 and 7 met on Thursday, September 22, 2022 at 6:00pm in the Acadia St. Landry Hospital Board Room at 810 South Broadway Street, Church Point, Louisiana.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

- The meeting was called to order by Chairman L. Bellard September 22, 2022 at 6:02p.m.

**PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

- The Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman L. Bellard.

**ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEMBERS:**

- Board Members Present: Benji Bellard, Jeff Richard, Lee Ward Bellard, Tony Cook, Rachel Broussard
- Board Members Absent: Michael Williams, MD

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

- **ASLH EMPLOYEES:** Michael J. LeJeune – CEO/Administrator, Brenda Pourciau, Sherry Miller, Garrett Higginbotham, Andre Venable, Debbie Williams, Judy Etienne, Jeanette Chavis, Stormy Matte, Karen Boudreaux
- **GENERAL PUBLIC:** Lainie Touns, George Pourciau, Ferdie Miller, Jason Leblanc, Doug Wimberly, Errol Comeaux, Cindy Walters, Melissa Stevens

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- There was no one who had public comment
- Chairman L. Bellard confirmed with those in attendance that there was no one with public comments. With no one commenting, the public comment section was closed.

Before continuing the meeting, Chairman L. Bellard stated that “Election of Chairman” had to be added to the agenda.

Motion by Cook, second by Richard to amend the agenda. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Broussard, second by Cook to add “Election of Chairman” to amended agenda. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

Chairman L. Bellard stated that Election of Chairman would be called “8a” on the agenda and would fall between “CEO Report” and “Executive Session”

**APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES:**

- Motion by Broussard, second by Cook to approve minutes of the regular meeting held August 25, 2022. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

- Jason LeBlanc, CPA with Lester, Miller & Wells, CPAs presented the financial report for August 2022.
- Motion by Broussard, second by Cook to approve the August 2022 financial report. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

**BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT:**

- The business office report for the month of August was presented by Jason LeBlanc, CPA with Lester, Miller & Wells, CPAs.
- Motion by Broussard, second by Richard to approve minutes of the business office report. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

**CEO REPORT:**

LeJeune began the CEO report with clinical updates. Total Swing Bed patient days increased from 105 in July 2022 to 250 in August 2022. Total Acute patient days increased from 3 in July 2022 to 22 in August 2022. This total increase and the Hospital paying off the balance of the Accelerated Payments will help to increase the cash. Fleur De Lis had an Average Daily Census of 9.4 in the month of August which is an increase from 7.9 in July. Wound Clinic saw a total of 68 outpatients in the month of August, more than double from July.

Current facility updates included adding LED lights to the ER canopy for added safety of staff. He stated that the hedges in the front circle of the hospital will be removed but proper ground marking needed to take place due to significant digging. In addition to lights, he stated that the hospital will be looking to “key fob” many entrances to the hospital. He commended the maintenance group for their continued hard work.

In the way of hospital operations, LeJeune stated that the Rural Health Clinic Fleur de Lis recently went under their yearly state survey and passed. LeJeune was excited to say that the first hospital full staff meeting was taking place the next morning. In addition to this, the website is being updated, continuing education in HAZMAT had been provided by the LA National Guard and he and Interim DON Garrett Higginbotham met with Acadian Ambulance to provide community education events in the near future.

LeJeune stated that on Tuesday August 30<sup>th</sup>, he had a virtual meeting with Barry Lann of Grace Hebert Curtis Architects, Jack Stolier of Sullivan Stolier, Jason Akers of Foley & Judell, Michael

Taylor of MTB and Steven Nosacka of Trinity Capital Resources to discuss the current plans and a potential moving forward strategy. One issue many people were concerned with was the feasibility report and its accuracy LeJeune said. "So what I did was reach out to another very well-known architect firm who specializes in remodel and new hospital construction. We met here in person, at the hospital, for several hours and reviewed the feasibility report. Since this was one of the main concerns, I am hearing, I asked him if this was common, that the same firm slated to build would also provide the feasibility report on the current facility, he said it was. I also asked if it was possible for a firm to 'fudge a report' in order to build new. He said, 'not if they value their reputation.' I brought head of maintenance, John Higginbotham into the meeting. He did confirm that there was a group of individuals that went through the entire facility looking at its structure. He said that was all he knew because maintenance was not allowed to be part of the process. He stated that until this day, he had never seen the feasibility report. After meeting, John walked the gentleman around who was able to confirm most of the report based of off general visual inspection. He stated that if the hospital wanted a second formal opinion, he would have to get with his team of engineers. (This would not come at a cheap cost) He was shocked by the price tag on the new facility until he saw the size of it. I explained the reason it was slated to be so big was that the original plan to present it to the USDA and have them tell us how big it could be." LeJeune said

After his report, LeJeune gave a presentation to those present on what he believed were all of the potential options to move forward with the hospital.

#### **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:**

- Chairman L. Bellard asked the board members for nominations for Chairman. There were no nominations made from any member of the board. With no nominations a motion could not be made.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- Motion by Broussard, second by Richard to enter into executive session. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.
- Attorney Doug Wimberly and CPA Jason LeBlanc were guest in Executive Session

#### **RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- Motion by Broussard, second by Richard to exit executive session and return to regular session. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.
- Motion by Broussard, second by Cook to approve ASLH entering into the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA). A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.
- Motion by Broussard, second by Cook to approve the hiring of a Financial Controller, Director of Human Resources and Healthcare Marketer. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

**ADJOURN:**

- Chairman L. Bellard asked if there was any further discussion. Being none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.
- Motion by Broussard, second by Cook to adjourn the meeting. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously to adjourn.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

/S/ Lee Ward Bellard

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Lee Ward Bellard  
Board of Commissioners Chairman  
Acadia St. Landry Parish Hospital

/S/ Michael J. LeJeune

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