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# Acadia St. Landry Hospital Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes April 25, 2024

The Board of Commissioners of the Acadia St. Landry Hospital Service District met on Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 5:15pm 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 Lee Ward Bellard on April 25, 2024 at 5:15pm.

## PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

• The Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance was led by L. Bellard. Bellard asked that we please keep Councilman Errol Comeaux and his family in our prayers.

# ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEMBERS:

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

After roll was called, LeJeune stated "So that we have it on record, Dr. Carrie Guidry is sitting here with us and she has been nominated by the medical staff to fill the open seat, but it must still be approved by the Acadia Parish Police Jury (APPJ). With that being said, she will not take part in voting or executive sessions until that time."

## ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

- **ASLH EMPLOYEES:** Michael J. LeJeune CEO/Administrator, Tiffany Young, Garrett Higginbotham and Carrie Guidry, MD.
- GENERAL PUBLIC: Doug Wimberly and Jason LeBlanc

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

• Chairman L. Bellard confirmed with those in attendance that there was no one with public comment. Being none, the public comment section was closed.

# APPROVAL OF CONSENSUS AGENDA:

- Chairman L. Bellard asked if any items on the consensus agenda needed to be removed for further discussion. With no items to be removed, L. Bellard asked for a motion to approve the consensus agenda which contained the following items:
  - a. Approval of February 2024 Meeting Minutes
  - b. Approval of March & April 2024 Medical Staff Minutes
  - c. Approval of March & April 2024 Medical Staff Credentials

• Motion by Cook, second by Richard to approve all items on the consensus agenda. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

## FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Jason LeBlanc, CPA with Lester, Miller & Wells, CPAs presented the financial reports and business office reports for the months of February and March 2024.
- Motion by Cook, second by Richard to approve the February and March 2024 financial reports. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

#### **NEW HOSPITAL UPDATES**

 ASLH CEO, Michael LeJeune stated that the hospital is moving forward with the financial development process. Since approval of the process items, the environmental assessment has been completed. LeJeune met with Stroudwater for the Market Assessment, he stated they were waiting on the updated growth projections to be submitted and from there, the financial forecast can begin. They expected the forecast to take roughly 90 days to complete. Once the forecast is complete, we will have the financial examination completed. After receiving all of this information we can move forward with approvals and USDA loan submission. LeJeune met with Foley Judel, Bond Attorneys, to have all information put together for meeting with the APPJ and St. Landry Parish Commission. He has met with multiple police jurors to tour the current hospital and discuss the need for a new hospital. LeJeune stated that at present, we are one step past where the project was stopped in the past.

#### **CEO REPORT:**

- LeJeune stated that the hospital is doing very well and that he and Director of Growth and Strategy, Melanie Roge' were still meeting with a physician group interested in provided a specialty service here at the hospital.
- Additionally, LeJeune stated that he is very glad to have Dr. Guidry on board and reiterated that she will begin seeing patients in August. He is now in talks with a second family medicine physician who is very interested in joining ASLH.
- LHA Trust Liability report was received with only one finding. A ceiling tile had a water mark on it, and has already been replaced.
- LHA Trust suggested that we participate in an aggressive patient management course. LeJeune and ASLH safety coordinator, A. Venable attended the Management of Aggressive Behaviors (MOAB) course and have become instructors to teach the ASLH staff.
- All exterior key fobs have been installed and the BMU fence will be replaced due to it becoming a safety issue.
- In the way of events and announcements. ASLH spearheaded a large healthcare fair in Grand Couteau at the Thenstead Center. A group from ASLH attended a table top spill emergency at NEMSA on March 20<sup>th</sup>.
- LeJeune stated that as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, Dr. Williams closed his clinic and is only seeing his current patients, but he does remain on active staff here at ASLH. He stated that he has been asked quite frequently if Dr. Felton's clinic is still open. LeJeune stated that Dr. Felton's clinic is still open.

• Finally, LeJeune discussed Medicare MA plans and its impact on critical access hospitals.

#### ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

• Motion by Cook, second by B. Bellard to enter into executive session. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously. Guests in the session were hospital attorney, Doug Wimberly, hospital CPA, Jason LeBlanc and ASLH Controller Tiffany Young.

#### EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

• Motion by Cook, second by B. Bellard to exit executive session. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

### ACTION 1: FAMILY MEDICINE PHYSICIAN CONTRACT NEGOTIOATIONS

• Motion by Cook to allow the CEO to enter into negotiations between Acadia St. Landry Hospital and a family medicine physician, second by Richard. 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 Cook, second by Richard to adjourn the meeting. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously to adjourn.
- Meeting was adjourned at 6:07p.m.

/S/ Lee Ward Bellard

Lee Ward Bellard Board of Commissioners Chairman Acadia St. Landry Parish Hospital /S/ Michael J. LeJeune

Michael J. LeJeune MBA, BSN-RN CEO/Administrator Acadia St. Landry Parish Hospital