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Acadia St. Landry Hospital
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes
October 24, 2024

The Board of Commissioners of the Acadia St. Landry Hospital Service District met on Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 5:20 pm 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 Co-Chairman Benji Bellard (acting Chairman in Lee Ward Bellard’s absence) on October 24, 2024 at 5:15pm.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

- The Prayer was led by Doug Wimberly and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Benji Bellard.

ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEMBERS:

- Board Members Present: Rachel Broussard, Tony Cook, Benji Bellard, and Carrie Guidry MD
A quorum was established.
- Board Members Absent: Lee Ward Bellard, Jeff Richard

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

- **ASLH EMPLOYEES:** Michael J. LeJeune – CEO/Administrator, Tiffany Young, Courtney Gerald-Elkins, Garrett Higginbotham, Travis Deshotel, Jacob Clement, MD, and Nikki Young
- **GENERAL PUBLIC:** Doug Wimberly and Jason LeBlanc

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Acting Chairman Benji 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:

- Acting Chairman Benji Bellard asked if any items on the consensus agenda needed to be removed for further discussion. With no items to be removed, B. Bellard asked for a motion to approve the consensus agenda which contained the following items:
 - a. Approval of September 2024 Meeting Minutes
 - b. Approval of October 2024 Medical Staff Minutes
 - c. Approval of October 2024 Credentials
- Motion by Rachel Broussard, second by Tony Cook 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 month of September 2024.
- Motion by Broussard, second by Tony Cook to approve the September 2024 financial reports. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE:

- Michael LeJeune provided an explanation of the questionnaire and stated that it is something that must be filled out and signed every year, in preparation for the hospital's audit.
- Motion by Tony Cook, second by Rachel Broussard to adopt/approve the questionnaire. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

CEO REPORT:

- In the way of CEO report, LeJeune stated the following:
- Good news to report, FDL had a record day of patients, we saw 30 patients in the clinic yesterday. The daily average is continued to increase.
- In the way of census, The Point Primary has increased by 25 new patients.
- The hospital census has stayed between 9-10 all month (mostly Traditional Medicare patients)
- The BMU, now under management by Genesis Behavioral Health, has filled every bed in the BMU putting us at capacity. It is the first time in years that we have been at capacity. Their days are filled with therapy sessions and activities. The patients really enjoy the atmosphere.
- The Point Navigate, formally Bridgeway, has seen a slight increase in patients, however attendance rate in the program has been above 98%
- I was made aware that all of the books for the patients to read on their downtime were taken as part of the exit from our former behavioral management company. After making a post requesting books, we have had an outpour of support donating books!
- We identified that lack of hygiene is a big issue that affects many who are admitted to our inpatient behavioral unit. I made a call and Seth and Jessica Randall made a large financial donation to Genesis to be used to purchase basic hygiene kits for the patients being discharged from our inpatient behavioral unit! Because of this, we are looking into creating a hospital foundation again.
- Melanie our Director of Growth and Strategy has been working with Beacon Community Connections out of Lafayette to bring needed services to our community. Beacon has been helping with finding shelter for those having difficulty after discharge. Beacon has also started a substance abuse program to support those who have addiction. We will be bringing this program to our hospital in the very near future.
- I contacted Edie Aymond, CEO of 232-HELP, another Lafayette based organization who provides services to those in need. She will be here at the hospital tomorrow to discuss how we can bring their services to our facility.
- In the way of contracts, the HHS contract has been completely cancelled with the last day being last Saturday, October 19th. This contract had a \$320,000.00/year price tag.

- After 2 years of trying, we are finally getting rid of the temporary buildings which have become an eyesore at the corner of Robert and David Streets! They were used for outpatient psychiatric services, but were in disrepair. All outpatient services have been moved into the brick building at 733 Robert Street, a building that the hospital already owns. The mobile buildings are currently disconnected and as of today, were separated and prepared to be permanently removed! This will result in just under \$50,000 per year in savings!
- New Hospital Update: The financial analysis has been submitted to the second CPA firm for review. The firm is EDIE Bailey and the review is underway. Once that review is completed, it will be given to the board for review. The next step will be a presentation to the Acadia Parish Police Jury and St. Landry Parish Government for approval to apply for the USDA loan.
- We have submitted our application for capital outlay, which if granted would be used to purchase all items for the new hospital. I am happy to say that we have received letters of support from State Senator Bob Hensgens as well as Speaker Phillip Devillier.
- Finally, we will be starting up the volunteer group again here at ASLH. Courtney has been preparing the paperwork and polices for that to take place. Courtney will lead the volunteer group efforts.
- Motion to accept the CEO Report as presented made by Tony Cook. Second by Rachel Broussard. A vote was called and unanimously approved.

ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Motion by Tony Cook, second by Rachel Broussard to enter into executive session at 5:47PM. 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 Rachel Broussard, second by Tony Cook to exit executive session at 6:09PM. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously.

ACTION 1: HHS EMPLOYEE CONTRACT BUYOUT

- A motion was made by Carrie Guidry, MD to proceed with the buyout of the HHS Contracts for both Barrett Broussard and Waymon Hesser. Both gentlemen will become ASLH employees at the completion of the buyout. Second by Rachel Broussard. A vote was called and unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

- Acting Chairman Benji Bellard asked if there was any further discussion. Being none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.
- Motion by Tony Cook, second by Rachel Broussard to adjourn the meeting. A vote was called, motion passed unanimously to adjourn.
- Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

/s/ Lee Ward Bellard

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

/s/ Michael J. LeJeune

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