

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of the **Board of Commissioners of Hospital Service District No. 2, Abbeville General Hospital**, Parish of Vermilion, State of Louisiana was called to order at **6.15 P.M. on Wednesday, May 13, 2026**, by Mr. Oswald Broussard, Chairman. Proceedings were taken at their regular meeting place in the Hospital Boardroom of Abbeville General Hospital with the following people present:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Oswald Broussard, Chairman
Claude Meeks, M.D.
Kelly Richard
Jody Landry, Vice Chairman
Anita Levy
Daleon Primeaux
John Boudreaux

STAFF PRESENT: Michael J. Bertrand, Chief Executive Officer
Troy Hair, Chief Financial Officer
Heidi Guidry, Chief Nursing Officer
Abbey Palombo, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Anita Levy, seconded by Jody Landry and unanimously carried, **the minutes of the Regular Board of Commissioners meeting held April 29, 2026, were approved as written.**

AMEND AGENDA

On motion of Anita Levy, seconded by Claude Meeks, M.D. and unanimously carried, **the Board amended the agenda for consideration of Education/Travel Request – Laboratory.**

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were reviewed:

- ✓ Big Companies position themselves for payday from 50B federal rural health fund

ARCHITECT REPORT

➤ **ASOB CD Phase Plans and Specs.**

On motion of Jody Landry, seconded by Daleon Primeaux and unanimously carried, **the board authorized Gene Sellers to submit the CD Phase Plans and specs to the to the regulatory agencies required, along with the USDA once completed.**

NEW BUSINESS

➤ **2026 Performance Improvement Plan**

On motion of Anita Levy, seconded by Daleon Primeaux and unanimously carried, **the board approved the Performance Improvement Plan for 2026.**

➤ **May Contract Review**

On motion of John Boudreaux, seconded by Jody Landry and unanimously carried, **the board tabled the rural health coalition and approved the following contracts:**

- ✓ Academy of Acadiana, Inc. - Clinical Training
- ✓ American Lifecare (PHCS) - PPO
- ✓ Ardoin, Reginald - Independent Contractor
- ✓ Baton Rouge General Medical Center- Pulmonary Services
- ✓ Claude Meeks, MD Medical Director Contract
- ✓ DCMC, LLC - Grant Management Services
- ✓ Deaf Action Center of Lafayette - Interpretation Services
- ✓ Evolutions Healthcare Systems (Guardian Resources) - PPO
- ✓ Galaxy Health Network (Formerly Managed Care, Inc) - PPO
- ✓ Genesa Reimbursement Group, LLC - VDA Consulting Service
- ✓ Gulf Coast Bank - Payroll Direct Deposit
- ✓ Heart Center of Acadiana - Specialty Clinic Lease Dr. Fazal
- ✓ Hebert, Shirin Sabbaghian PSA
- ✓ Hobart Services - PM - Utensil Warewasher
- ✓ Hospice, Inc. - Hospice Care
- ✓ Infinity College, Inc. - Phlebotomy Clinical Training
- ✓ InfuSystem, Inc. - Ambulatory Infusion Pump Use
- ✓ Jackson Physician Search, LLC
- ✓ Lahasky Properties, LLC - Leased Space
- ✓ Louisiana Department of Health & Hospitals - Medicaid Enrollment Center
- ✓ Louisiana Emergency Response Network - ER Network Program
- ✓ LSU Health Shreveport - Pathology Services
- ✓ Maximo Lamarche, MD - RHC Nephrology Services
- ✓ Multiview Corporation - Accounting Software
- ✓ Myriam Hutchinson, MD - RHC Nursing Home Visits
- ✓ Northwestern State College of Nursing - Clinical Training - AGH Clinic
- ✓ Pediatric Group of Acadiana - Patient Transfer
- ✓ Piazza Office Supply - PM Printers
- ✓ Press Ganey - Patient Satisfaction Program
- ✓ Radiometer – Service Agreement for ABG Machine
- ✓ RF Technologies - Service Agreement
- ✓ RL Datix - Policy Stat
- ✓ Southern Louisiana Laser Rental
- ✓ Steris Corporation - PM Sterilizers
- ✓ Third Coast Maintenance - Floor Care Services
- ✓ Trane U.S., Inc. - PM - Cooling Towers-Chillers
- ✓ University of Louisiana at Lafayette - Clinical Practice RN & AHP
- ✓ Veeam Backup Solution
- ✓ Verity Healthnet - Preferred Provider
- ✓ Vermilion Parish Police Jury - Morgue Cleaning Services
- ✓ Veterans Security Services
- ✓ Vizient, Inc. - Group Purchasing

- ✓ Wasabi Cloud Storage
- ✓ Weston Miller - Call Coverage Agreement
- ✓ Weston Miller, MD - Surgical Services
- ✓ Zimmer Biomet Connect - Product Placement

➤ **DCMC – BRIC Application Development**

On motion of Daleon Primeaux, seconded by Anita Levy and unanimously carried, **the board approved the proposal from DCMC for the BRIC Application Development at a cost not to exceed \$41,360.00**

➤ **Medical Scholarship**

On motion of Kelly Richard, seconded by Claude Meeks, M.D. and unanimously carried, **the board resolved:**

WHEREAS, the purpose of Louisiana’s Medical Scholarship Program is to increase the educational opportunities available to medical students who will practice family medicine in geographic areas where physician care is limited or unavailable;

WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 46:1101, the Board may award medical scholarships to residents or former residents of the Hospital Service District, who otherwise qualify, and who are admitted or engaged in the study of medicine at an accredited school of medicine or are engaged in internship or residency programs, located in the United States;

WHEREAS, subpart A of La. R.S. 46:1101 states that each scholarship shall be awarded for the purpose of defraying the cost of tuition and other related expenses and the costs for attendance at medical school, or for internship or residency;

WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 46:1103, two individuals have submitted a written application to participate in the Medical Scholarship Program for calendar year, 2026;

WHEREAS, the granting and awarding of a Medical Scholarship authorized by La. R.S., Title 46, Sections 1101 – 1112 upon the satisfaction of the conditions and under the contractual terms as stated therein to Ann Marie Louise Lahasky, and Jordan Daniel Lahasky was presented to the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Board has concluded that awarding a Medical Scholarship to such persons would be in full compliance with La. R.S., Title 46, Sections 1101 – 1112 and other applicable laws and regulations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the following actions:

1. The granting and awarding of a Medical Scholarship to Ann Marie Louise Lahasky in a total amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 per year;
2. The granting and awarding of a Medical Scholarship to Jordan Daniel Lahasky in a total amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 per year; and
3. Legal counsel will work with CEO, Michael Bertrand, to collect a Worksheet from each scholarship recipient showing their educational and other expenses, negotiate a contract with each scholarship recipient in accordance with La. R.S. 46:1106, and ensure the issuance of the appropriate Warrants by the Deans of the medical schools in accordance with La. R.S. 46:1105.
4. Once said Worksheets are collected, contracts are negotiated, and Warrants are issued for each of the two LSUHSC students, the Medical Scholarship funds shall be issued to the Dean of the LSUHSC School of Medicine, Richard DiCarlo, MD, for recipients Jordan Daniel Lahasky.
5. Once said Worksheet is collected, contract is negotiated, and Warrant is issued for the student attending the Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine, the Medical Scholarship funds shall be issued to the

Dean of Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine – Louisiana Campus for recipient Ann Marie Louise Lahasky.

6. The Deans of both medical schools will arrange for the scholarship funds received from the Vermilion Parish Hospital Service District No. 2 to be distributed to each scholarship recipient through the Registrar’s Office (or similar office) of the medical schools.

The vote on the resolution was as follows:

YEAS:7 NAYS: 0 ABSENT:0

➤ **March Financial Report**

Troy Hair, Chief Financial Officer, presented the March Financial Report. The detail in comparison to budget was reviewed.

➤ **Education/Travel Request**

On motion of Anita Levy, seconded by Meeks and unanimously carried, **the Board approved the education/travel request for Patrick Leblanc to attend the advanced training on the Atellica CI instruments in the laboratory department. The total cost of this training, \$1,835.33, is paid for by Siemens .**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of John Boudreaux, seconded by Anita Levy and unanimously carried, **the Board entered into Executive Session for Approval of Minutes, and Strategic Planning, and Performance Improvement.**

OTHER

➤ **Performance Improvement**

On motion of Anita Levy , seconded by Jody Landry and unanimously carried, **the 2025 Performance Improvement & Patient Safety Appraisal was approved as presented.**

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Anita Levy, seconded by Jody Landry and unanimously carried, **the Board adjourned at 8:03 P.M.**

**MICHAEL J. BERTRAND, II, MS, MBA
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SECRETARY / TREASURER**

**OSWALD BROUSSARD
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**