

Jackson Parish Hospital  
Governing Board Minutes  
May 29, 2019

The regular scheduled Governing Board of Directors meeting of the Jackson Parish Hospital was held on Wednesday, May 29, 2019, in the hospital board room. Board members present were Dr. Rebecca Crouch, Angela Curtis, Shontae Mims, and Chris Bowman. Hospital staff present were John Morgan, Dr. Jason Thomas, Bill Stansbury, Dr. William Slusher, Sunni Bougues, Amber Brazzel, Shelley Malsam, and Mauri McBride.

Crouch called the meeting to order at 12:11 p.m. and Morgan gave the Invocation. There were 4 of the 5 members by Act 171 present; therefore, there was a quorum present.

Following a motion by Bowman and second by Mims, the May 29, 2019 meeting agenda was unanimously approved.

Following a motion by Curtis and second by Mims, the minutes from the March 27, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

There were no public present.

Dr. William Slusher, Chief of Staff, presented the appointment and reappointment recommendations for the month of May to the Board of Directors. There was a motion by Bowman and second by Mims to approve the Chief of Staff Report as presented. All members present were in favor and the motion carried.

During the Chief Executive Officer's Report, Morgan presented to the Board a potential change in the accounts payable process which would remove the requirement of the Governing Board, Chairman and/or Vice- Chairman reviewing the accounts payable register prior to payment being issued, while also noting the Governing Board would still review all accounts payable registers as a whole at the monthly Board meeting. Stansbury then informed the Board of the separation of duties in the Accounts Payable Process and outlined each step. Bowman then raised concern as to the potential change that was presented as he feels the framework that was previously established is the responsibility of the Board. There was much discussion regarding the Accounts Payable Process. Crouch then entertained a motion to remove the requirement of the Governing Board Chairman and/or Vice- Chairman reviewing the accounts payable register prior to payment being issued to vendors while also reiterating that all accounts payable registers would still be reviewed by the Board at each monthly meeting. There was a motion by Curtis and a second by Mims to remove the requirement of the Governing Board, Chairman and/or Vice-Chairman reviewing the accounts payable register prior to payment being issued. The motion passed with Curtis, Mims, and Crouch being in favor and Bowman opposing. He then informed the Board that JPH hosted Chamber After Hours the month of May along with LifeAir Evac while noting together, we brought Stop the Bleed awareness to members within our community who were interested in taking the course to better prepare in assisting injured people following a traumatic event. He also reminded the Board of Directors to complete their annual mandatory LA Code of Ethics training, while noting that this is training is required annually as all public servants and elected officials are required to take one hour of training per calendar year.

Dr. Thomas informed the Board that we have received two bids for replacement of one of the air handlers, while noting, the winning bid was \$34k and that amount has been allocated out of the original \$50k that was approved by the Board. He then provided the Board with a brief update on telemedicine and informed the Board of the near completion with the patient mockup room. Dr. Thomas then informed the Board of the progress with Cerner while noting two big upcoming events which are Integration Testing for clinicals and financials and will take place in June. There was a discussion on this topic.

Stansbury requested ratification of payables for March 27, 2019, April 11, 2019, April 26, 2019, May 10, 2019, and May 21, 2019. Bowman raised question to the payments to Cerner. There was a lengthy discussion on this topic and the Cerner fee schedule. Bowman then raised question to the ULM Cooperative Endeavor Agreement. There was a motion by Bowman and second by Mims to ratify the payables for the dates listed above and withhold any future excess payments of \$20k to Cerner until go live. All members present were in favor and the motion carried. Stansbury presented the Board with a packet of Financials while reviewing the Statement of Net Position. He stated that the bank balance as of April 30, 2019 was \$10.4 million and noted that as of today, we have \$10 million in the bank. Stansbury also presented the Board with a Budget to actual comparison of the Statement of Net Position. There was a motion by Bowman and second by Mims to approve the Chief Financial Officer's report as presented. All members present were in favor and the motion carried.

Brazzel then presented the Chief Quality/ Clinic Directors Report to the Board. She began by presenting to the Board the RHC statistics. There was a discussion on this topic and also self pays. She then informed the Board of the departure of Family Nurse Practitioner, Liz Hattaway.

Malsam presented the monthly statistics to the Board.

At 12:58 p.m., there was a motion by Mims and second by Curtis to enter into an Executive Session to discuss Legal Issues and Strategic Planning. All members present were in favor and the motion carried. At 1:29 p.m., there was a motion by Bowman and second by Mims to return to regular session. All members present were in favor and the motion carried. There was no action taken during the closed session.

The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, June 26, 2019 in the hospital board room.

Upon motion by Mims and second by Curtis the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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John Morgan, MBA, RN  
Chief Executive Officer  
Secretary, Treasurer

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Dr. Rebecca Crouch  
Governing Board, Chairman