

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING OF THE HOSPITAL SERVICE
DISTRICT #2 OF THE PARISH OF ST. MARY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD ON
JUNE 4, 2025

A regular monthly business meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Hospital Service District #2 of the Parish of St. Mary was held on Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at 12:00 P.M. in the Media Room of the Morgan City Harbor & Terminal District Building located at 7327 Highway 182, Morgan City, LA 70380.

PRESENT: Dr. William A. Cefalu, Jr., Jackie Cheramie, Angelena Brocato, William McCarty, Thane Aucoin and Clarence Robinson, Jr.

ABSENT: Donald Stephens

Also present: William E. Bourgeois, Counsel for Hospital Service District #2

Dr. Cefalu called the meeting to order.

Dr. Cefalu lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken. Those Board Members present and those absent listed above.

On motion of Mrs. Brocato, second by Mr. Aucoin and unanimously carried, the Board approved and signed the Minutes of May 7, 2025.

Dr. Cefalu opened the floor for Guest/public comments, to which there were none. Raymond Pisani with Respiratory Therapy at Ochsner St. Mary (OSM) and Dr. Larry Nelson, Anaesthesiologist with OSM attended without comment.

Dr. Cefalu called for the Financial Report. Mrs. Cheramie presented the Financial Report for the period ending April 30, 2025. Upon motion of Mr. Brocato, second by Mr. McCarty and unanimously carried, the Board approved the financials as presented.

Attorney Bourgeois explained the requirement to select an "official journal" in accordance with La. R.S. 43:171 and a brief discussion was held. Upon motion of Mr. Aucoin, second by Mrs. Brocato and unanimously carried, the Board voted to keep the "Daily Review" as the official journal for Hospital Service District #2 of St. Mary Parish.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on medical, nursing and allied health scholarship policies and procedures. Attorney Bourgeois made brief comments/recommendations regarding this matter. After a brief discussion, upon motion of Mrs. Cheramie, second by Mrs. Brocato and unanimously carried, the Board at this time accepted the policies and procedures as previously submitted.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on Community Outreach and Wellness. Mrs.

Jennifer Wise, Chief Nursing Officer and CEO of OSM gave a brief update on the past, current/future events/activities scheduled for community outreach. Attorney Bourgeois informed the Board that the Application for Sales Tax Exemption documents/forms have been submitted to the Louisiana Department of Revenue for approval. Further discussions were held as to this matter and the status of the increased ENT services.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on OSM architectural, engineering and front entrance overhang and annual inspection walk through. Attorney Bourgeois informed the Board of the report he received this morning and that things are progressing regarding. He stated that OSM will host the HSD #2's next meeting (July) and then we will retire into Executive Session to have our "annual facility walk through." The meeting will be on the Second Floor of OSM in the Administrative Conference room. He also stated that he asked Barry Lann with Grace Hebert Curtis Architects to attend the meeting along with J. Craig Guillot who is the AVP of Operations for Ochsner Bayou Region. The Board was provided samples of the "color" being used for the water proof coating on the bricks.

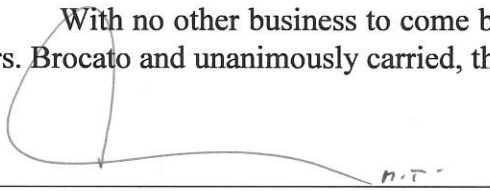
Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on the proposal from Optimum Energy. Attorney Bourgeois made a brief statement to the Board regarding this company. At this time Ken Bernhard VP, Development and Andy Pahwa, Sr. Director, Project Development for Optimum Energy gave a brief power point presentation regarding the services offered by their company. Further discussions were held and the Board thanked them for their presentation. Attorney Bourgeois made further comments regarding the need to confer with Ochsner as to the services offered. Steve Nosaka, Registered Municipal Advisor with Trinity Capital Resources made comments regarding Optimum Energy, their services and "if needed" his ability to help guide us through the process.

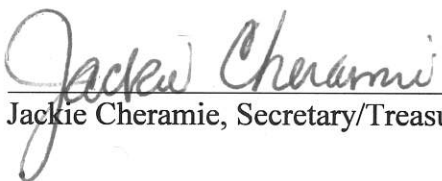
Attorney Bourgeois stated that ULL's College of Nursing & Health Sciences Dean Lisa Broussard, will be attending our August Meeting and that our Board has an open invitation to tour their new facility at ULL. He stated that he will meet with OSM, Berwick High and Patterson High Allied Health Departments to invite them to the August meeting.

Dr. Cefalu gave his Chairman's Report and stated that most issues had been covered. He stated he was grateful for the work beginning to seal the building that will get us in a better position for hurricane season and the new services becoming available.

Dr. Cefalu stated that there were no matters to be taken up in Executive Session this date.

With no other business to come before the Board, on motion of Mr. Robinson, second by Mrs. Brocato and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.


William A. Cefalu, Jr., M.D., Chairman


Jackie Cheramie, Secretary/Treasurer