

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING OF THE HOSPITAL SERVICE
DISTRICT #2 OF THE PARISH OF ST. MARY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD ON
AUGUST 6, 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, August 6, 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., Angelena Brocato, Jackie Cheramie, 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. Robinson and unanimously carried, the Board approved and signed the Minutes of July 2, 2025 and July 23, 2025.

Dr. Cefalu opened the floor for Guest/public comments. Andrew Mancuso, St. Mary Parish School Board Member District 10, Raymond Pisani with Respiratory Therapy at Ochsner St. Mary (OSM), Lea Hebert, OSM Governing Board Member, Lydia Duval, Anna Aloisio and Drew Angeron with Morgan City High School, Taylor Gutting with Berwick High School, Keri Hill and Chasity Toups with Patterson High School, Noelle Lowrimore, St. Mary Parish School Board and Elizabeth Orgeron with University of Louisiana at Lafayette (ULL) attended without comment.

At this time Attorney Bourgeois introduced Dean Lisa Broussard of ULL's College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Dean Broussard made a presentation regarding ULL's College of Nursing and Health Sciences, the variety of programs offered, the current enrollment, the success rates and plans for future growth of the programs. Lydia Duval made brief comments. Further discussions were held and the Board thanked Dean Broussard for her presentation.

Dr. Cefalu called for the Financial Report. Mrs. Cheramie presented the Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2025. Upon motion of Mrs. Brocato, second by Mr. McCarty and unanimously carried, the Board approved the financials as presented. Attorney Bourgeois advised the Board that Tim Matte with Pitts & Matte will be at our next meeting to present the Annual Financial Report.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on Community Outreach. 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. She stated that the Safe Sitter Class was held

again this year and a Health Screening at the Housing Authority and the upcoming events are the Back to School Bash, Fall Prevention Seminar, Breast Cancer Awareness, Trunk or Treat and Roux Rumble. Further discussions were held.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on OSM architectural, engineering and front entrance overhang. Attorney Bourgeois gave an update: Grace Hebert sent out the Notice of Awarded Contract, they are waiting on documentation to be finalized and then the Notice to Proceed will be sent to the contractors.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and timeline of planned borrowing. Attorney Bourgeois referred the Board to the timeline which was contained in their meeting packet and that the Resolution will be done at the next meeting. Further discussions/questions were held as to this matter.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action to authorize certain disclosures of the Provider Needs Assessment. Attorney Bourgeois advised that the Provider Needs Assessment (PNA) was contained in the meeting packet and all were cautioned that its contents were confidential. He made further comments regarding the confidentiality of the information but the need to disclose limited portions of the Assessment. On motion of Mrs. Cheramie, second by Mr. Aucoin and unanimously carried, the Board authorized Attorney Bourgeois to disclose the PNA to OSM and to disclose the Fulltime Equivalent (FTE) numbers and supporting documents as appropriate.

Dr. Cefalu presented his Chairman's Report. He complimented OSM on the beautiful coating on the building, the moisture from the exterior is not coming in and the project is 75/80% complete. He has received nothing but compliments from the community and patients and that they are very impressed with the improvements. We are moving forward with "promises made and promises kept." He stated that we now have a contract with Southern ENT and explained further details of said contract. We also have for the first time ever a local Pulmonary Critical Care physician who will rotate at OSM. A Press Release will be sent out this date regarding the ENT services being expanded upon to include surgical procedures at OSM. He then thanked all in attendance for their continued support. Attorney Bourgeois stated that the Scholarship Forms will be provided.

Dr. Cefalu stated 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