

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING OF THE HOSPITAL SERVICE
DISTRICT #2 OF THE PARISH OF ST. MARY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD ON
NOVEMBER 19, 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, November 19, 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, William McCarty and Clarence Robinson, Jr.

ABSENT: Angelena Brocato, Thane Aucoin and Barry Dufrene

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 Mr. McCarty, second by Mr. Robinson and unanimously carried, the Board approved and signed the Minutes of October 1, 2025.

Dr. Cefalu opened the floor for Guest/public comments. Raymond Pisani with Respiratory Therapy at Ochsner St. Mary (OSM) and Dane Robison with Robison Wealth Management attended without comments. At this time Andrew Bienvenu with Sports Director with Recreation District #4 (Patterson Civic Center) addressed the Board requesting a financial donation towards the purchase of two (2) Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) and the reasons thereof. After a brief discussion, on motion of Mr. McCarty, second by Mr. Robinson and unanimously carried, the Board voted to fund the purchase of the 2 AEDs.

Dr. Cefalu called for the Financial Report. Mr. McCarty presented the Financial Report for the period ending October 31, 2025. On motion of Mr. Robinson, second by Mrs. Cheramie and unanimously carried, the Board approved the financials as presented. Attorney Bourgeois stated that the HSD #2 had received its first check from the Sheriff's Office for the millage proceeds and those funds had been deposited.

Attorney Bourgeois then addressed the Board regarding the Introduction and Publication of the Budget for the remainder of 2025 and for 2026 and the procedures that will follow. After a brief discussion, on motion of Mr. Robinson, second by Mr. McCarty and unanimously carried, the Board ordered the proposed Budget for the remainder of 2025 and for 2026 be published with a hearing to be held on December 3, 2025 at 12:00 noon to adopt said Budget. Discussions were held as to future mandatory training/workshop of the Board regarding the Budget and various other matters.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on authorization for new Master Professional Engineering Agreement with YKH Consulting, LLC with task orders. Attorney Bourgeois advised the Board of the status and the need to revise the Master Agreement to contain certain requirements.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on various projects (Agenda Item #9):

- a) Barry Lann with Grace Design Studios / Grace Hebert Curtis Architects addressed the Board concerning the current status of the front entrance overhang and the approximate completion date;
- b) Attorney Bourgeois advised that several bids had been received for the rooftop electrical work (contained in meeting packets). After a brief discussion and review of the bids received, on motion of Mr. McCarty, second by Mrs. Cheramie and unanimously carried, the Board awarded the contract to Rodrigue's Electrical Service, Inc. and authorized Dr. Cefalu to sign any documents necessary;
- c) Mr. Lann discussed the first floor renovations and revisions requested by OSM. After a brief discussion and review of the proposal, on motion of Mr. McCarty, second by Mr. Robinson and unanimously carried, the Board authorized Dr. Cefalu to sign the Letter of Proposal for Architectural Services by Grace Design Studios regarding the interior renovations;
- d) Attorney Bourgeois and Mr. Lann then discussed the proposal for exterior replacement panels, the costs by phase and the current weather proofing on the building. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that this matter be tabled until next year;
- e) Attorney Bourgeois discussed the emergency generator replacement and stated no action was needed on this matter as there were issues with the time delays for advertising;
- f) Attorney Bourgeois discussed Phase 2 with regards to the OSM Domestic Water and Heating Water Infrastructure (water heater #2 and heat exchanger #2). He advised that YKH Consulting, LLC provided a Basic Agreement/proposal dated 10/9/2025. After a brief discussion, on motion of Mr. Robinson, second by Mrs. Cheramie and unanimously carried, the Board authorized Dr. Cefalu to sign the Agreement/Proposal from YKH Consulting, LLC.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action to authorize contract(s) with physician recruiting firm(s) or reimbursement for same. Brandon Schumacher with AMN Healthcare Physician Permanent Placement, LLC introduced himself and made a power point presentation via zoom. Attorney Bourgeois then addressed the Board concerning the costs and further discussions were held. On motion of Mr. McCarty, second by Mr. Robinson and unanimously carried, the Board authorized Dr. Cefalu to sign the Physician Solutions/Search Agreement with AMN Healthcare Physician Permanent Placement, LLC.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on IGA with HSD #1 of Terrebonne Parish on Urology Services. Attorney Bourgeois stated that he, Dr. Larry Nelson, OSM Anesthesiologist

and Fernis LeBlanc, Bayou Region CEO for Ochsner, met with Terrebonne, that the meeting went well. Terrebonne is actively recruiting an Urologist to practice/perform procedures in Morgan City. He further advised the Board that a new Intergovernmental Agreement may be needed to help with recruitment assistance, practice startup assistance and any necessary surgical equipment. Further discussions were held as to this matter.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on pediatric behavioral health services. Attorney Bourgeois advised that he had nothing to report nor was there a scheduled meeting to discuss the matter.

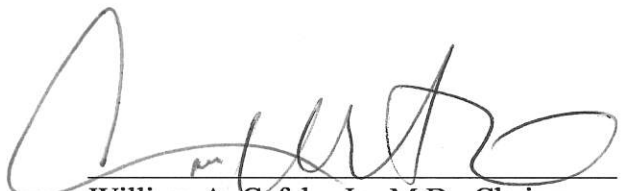
Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on the existing Cooperative Endeavor Agreements with Ochsner, to which Attorney Bourgeois stated that he had nothing to report.

Dr. Cefalu called for discussion and any action on the renewal of PD & O Insurance with Paul's Agency. After a brief discussion, on motion of Mr. Robinson, second by Mr. McCarty and unanimously carried, the Board voted to renew the PD & O Insurance with Paul's Agency and authorized Dr. Cefalu to sign any necessary documents.

Dr. Cefalu called for the Administrative Report. Attorney Bourgeois informed the Board of an Ordinance #2385 received from the St. Mary Parish Council advising that all Board Members must complete at least four (4) hours of training regarding duties, responsibilities, ethics, substance of their position and Roberts Rules of Order for conducting meetings. He advised that an "in service meeting" will be scheduled/held at a later date at Bourgeois Law. Attorney Bourgeois advised that during discussions regarding the funding for the bonds and communications with the Tax Assessors Office regarding the tax millage, information was given regarding the top 10 tax payers in the parish and in our HSD #2 district. A brief discussion was held as to this matter. He also advised that the HSD #2 website is being worked on and questions were asked regarding the logo to be used. After a brief discussion, it was decided to let Cypress Tech provide several options, have them circulated and then a decision will be made. Jennifer Wise, Chief Nursing Officer and CEO of Ochsner St. Mary advised the Board that OSM had entered into an agreement with The Medicus Firm to conduct a paid search for a Family Medicine Doctor to come to Morgan City. She stated there have been lots of meetings and OSM will be provided updates twice a month on the progress of the search and the HSD #2 will be kept informed if any candidates are found. Attorney Bourgeois discussed a "welcoming reception." Further discussions were held as to this matter. Mrs. Wise further stated she was hearing positive feedback on the new look/improvements of the building and once the front entrance is completed it will be great.

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. McCarty, second by Mr. Robinson and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.



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



Jackie Cheramie, Secretary/Treasurer