# FINAL: APPROVED

### PLAQUEMINES MEDICAL CENTER REGULAR BOARD MEETING December 17, 2024

#### Item I. & II. Call to Order & Roll Call:

Call To Order And Roll Call - A Regular meeting of The Board of Commissioners of Plaquemines Medical Center (Plaquemines Parish Hospital Service District Number One d/b/a Plaquemines Medical Center) was called to order by Chairman Dale Adams at 6:00 pm on December 17, 2024, at Plaquemines Medical Center, 27136 Hwy 23, Port Sulphur, LA. Ranada Mackey-St. Ann conducted the customary roll call of The Board Members and recorded and documented the minutes. The results were as follows:

Rechelle Ragas:

Absent

Jane Tesvich:

Present

Dot Lundin: Norma Lafrance: Present Absent Bonnie Thomas: Stanley Gaudet: Absent Present

Brigette Belair:

Present

Mena Marinovich: Dale Adams: Present Present

A quorum was declared present.

Also in attendance were Leslie Prest, Plaquemines Medical Center; LaTonya Hymes-Sam, Plaquemines Medical Center; Trechel Ronquille, Plaquemines Medical Center; Taylor Williamson, Plaquemines Medical Center; Krista Wallace, Plaquemines Medical Center; Ranada Mackey - St. Ann, Plaquemines Medical Center; Monica Martin, Plaquemines Medical Center; Jolene Mackey, Plaquemines Medical Center; Dr. William Kotler, Plaquemines Medical Center; Jennifer Harris, Plaquemines Primary Care; and Matthew Zuvich.

Item III. Pledge of Allegiance: (Mena Marinovich)

Item IV. Review and Approval of Current Agenda: (Dale Adams)

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Mr. Gaudet, to approve the December 2024 agenda as presented.

**Public Comments: None** 

Motion passed: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 0 present not voting.

Item V. Approval of November 2024 Meeting Minutes: (Dale Adams)

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Ms. Belair, to approve the November 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes.

**Public Comments: None** 

Motion passed: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 0 present not voting.

Item VI. Financials: (Leslie Prest)

#### A. Financial Reports and Approval of November 2024 Financial Reports-Belle Chasse

Ms. Prest provided a copy of the financial reports for November 2024 for Belle Chasse to the Board via email before the meeting for their review. She read the November 2024 financial reports during the session. She discussed the Profit & Loss Budget vs. the Actual year-to-date comparison, the November 2024 Income Graph, Expense Graph, Billing Statistics, and the November 2024 Payer Mix. The November 2024 Visit Summary and a breakdown of the daily patient flow of each provider/service from the November 2024 Encounter Dashboard were provided as well.

Public Comments: None

#### B. 2025 Budget for Belle Chasse (Leslie Prest)

The Budget for 2025 for the Belle Chasse Clinic was presented. There were no additional questions.

Motioned by Mr. Gaudet, seconded by Ms. Marinovich, to approve the November 2024 Financial Report and the 2025 Budget for Belle Chasse.

Public Comments: None

Motion passed: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 0 present not voting.

## C. Financial Reports and Approval of November 2024 Financial Reports-Port Sulphur

Ms. Prest provided a copy of the financial reports for November 2024 for Port Sulphur to the Board via email before the meeting for their review. She read the November 2024 financial reports during the session. She discussed the Profit & Loss Budget vs. the Actual year-to-date comparison, the November 2024 Income Graph, Expense Graph, Billing Statistics, and the November 2024 Payer Mix. The November 2024 Visit Summary and a breakdown of the daily patient flow of each provider/service from the November 2024 Encounter Dashboard were provided, too. There were no additional questions.

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Ms. Lundin, to approve the November 2024 Financial Report for Port Sulphur.

**Public Comments: None** 

Motion passed: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 0 present not voting.

Item VII. Medical Director/ Assistant Medical Director/Clinical Coordinator: (Dr. Kotler/Dr. Naeem/Monica Martin)

Ms. Martin explained the increase in positive flu and COVID tests and the importance of getting the flu injection to lessen the risk of contracting the flu. Ms. Martin commented on the end-of-the-year events that PMC is taking part in.

Public Comments: None

Item VIII. New Business: (Dale Adams)

None

Item IX. Old Business: (Dale Adams)

#### A. Update on Belle Chasse Facility (Leslie Prest)

Ms. Prest discussed an employee's email concerning lightning and her safety. She assured the board that Entergy would be called, and the problem would be fixed. Ms. Prest mentioned that the generator for the White House was ordered.

Public Comments: None

## **D. Primary Care Update** (Jennifer Harris)

Ms. Harris spoke about Taylor attending events and giving flu vaccines throughout the community. She also mentioned the success of the Christmas event on a Sunday, with no complaints about the date and time frame. Ms. Harris mentioned that Primary Care is also seeing an uptick in the flu and that everyone should travel with hand sanitizers for their safety.

Public Comments: None

## E. Update on Rural Emergency Hospital Designation (Leslie Prest)

Ms. Ronquille mentioned that the National Rural Health Association is working on a bill to change the eligibility requirements. The bill would allow facilities that are currently operating similarly to an REH to convert to a REH. Ms. Prest noted that the National Rural Health Association thinks they should travel to lobby and speak before Congress votes. The board had no questions or comments at this time.

Public Comments: None

#### F. Quality Measures (Trechel Ronquille)

Ms. Ronquille stated that there were no new changes. There was a board discussion and no further questions.

Public Comments: None

Item X. Adjournment:

Motioned by Mr. Gaudet, seconded by Ms. Belair, to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 PM.

Public Comments: None

Motion passed: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 0 present not voting.

#### Attestation

The above and foregoing is an accurate summary of the actions taken by the members of The Board of Commissioners of Plaquemines Parish Hospital Service District Number One d/b/a Plaquemines Medical Center, State of Louisiana, at its Regular

Meeting on December 17, 2024.

Dale Adams

Chairman of the Board

Mena Marinovich

Secretary/Treasurer

Marinovich