

FINAL: APPROVED

**PLAQUEMINES MEDICAL CENTER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
January 15, 2026**

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 5:58 pm on January 15, 2026, 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:	Present	Jane Tesvich:	Present
Dot Lundin:	Present	Bonnie Thomas:	Present
Norma Lafrance:	Present	Stanley Gaudet:	Present
Brigette Belair:	Absent		
Mena Marinovich:	Present		
Dale Adams:	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; Jennifer Sanger, Plaquemines Medical Center; Colleen Fisher, Plaquemines Medical Center; Ranada Mackey - St. Ann, Plaquemines Medical Center; Monica Martin, Plaquemines Medical Center; Jennifer Harris, Plaquemines Primary Care; Dr. Mohammed Naeem, Plaquemines Medical Center; 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 Ms. Lundin, to approve the January 2026 agenda as presented.

Public Comments: None

Motion passed: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 present not voting.

Item V. Election of Officers for 2026: (Dale Adams)

Mr. Gaudet recommended that all current officers retain their positions for the year.

Motioned by Mr. Gaudet, seconded by Ms. Tesvich, to accept as is by affirmation for the board officers to remain in their current positions for 2026.

Public Comments: None

Motion passed: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 present not voting.

Item VI. Approval of December 2025 Meeting Minutes: (Dale Adams)

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Ms. Lundin, to approve the December 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes with the correction of the name change from Leslie Prest to Dale Adams on Item B of section IV.

Public Comments: None

Motion passed: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 present not voting.

Item VII. Financials: (Colleen Fisher)

A. Financial Reports for Belle Chasse December 2025

Ms. Fisher provided a copy of the financial reports for December 2025 for Belle Chasse to the Board via email before the meeting for their review. She read the December 2025 financial reports during the session. She discussed the Profit & Loss Budget vs. the Actual year-to-date comparison, the December 2025 Income Graph, Expense Graph, Billing Statistics, and the December 2025 Payer Mix. The December 2025 Visit Summary and a breakdown of the daily patient flow of each provider/service from the December 2025 Encounter Dashboard were provided as well. The December Financials for the Belle Chasse Clinic were presented. There were no additional questions.

Public Comments: None

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Mr. Gaudet, to approve the December 2025 Financial Report for Belle Chasse.

B. Budget Overview (Dale Aams)

Mr. Adams explained that the budget committee met in Belle Chasse to discuss the 2026 Belle Chasse Budget Overview. The committee consisted of himself, Brigitte Belair, Jane Tesvich, and Dorthy Lundin. He expressed that ideas for budget cuts arose, but decided that no changes would be made at this time. He asked if any board member had any questions, suggestions, or concerns; if not, he asked for the budget to be approved. The board had no additional questions or concerns and agreed to the budget as presented.

Public Comments: None

C. Approval of December 2025 Financials/Budget (Colleen Fisher)

Motioned by Ms. Tesvich, seconded by Mr. Gaudet, to accept the 2026 Budget Overview for Belle Chasse as presented.

Motion passed: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 present not voting.

D. Financial Reports for Port Sulphur December 2025 (Leslie Prest)

Ms. Fisher provided a copy of the financial reports for December 2025 for Port Sulphur to the Board via email before the meeting for their review. She read the December 2025 financial reports during the session. She discussed the Profit & Loss Budget vs. the Actual year-to-date comparison, the December 2025 Income Graph, Expense Graph, Billing Statistics, and the December 2025 Payer Mix. The December 2025 Visit Summary and a breakdown of the daily patient flow of each provider/service from the December 2025 Encounter Dashboard were provided as well. The December Financials for the Port Sulphur Clinic were presented. There were no additional questions.

E. Approval of the Port Sulphur December 2025 Financials Report

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Ms. Lundin, to approve the December 2025 Financial Report for Port Sulphur as presented.

Public Comments: Mr. Adams expressed his gratitude to everyone involved in working through the 2026 budget.

Motion passed: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 present not voting.

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

Ms. Martin provided information and precautions regarding the flu; she strongly recommends getting your flu vaccine. Ms. Martin stated that one full-time LPN and one PRN nurse were hired, helping the clinic to be fully staffed. Ms. Martin mentioned the involvement in the community conversations hosted by Plaquemines Parish Government. She extended an invitation to the Community Priority Action Workshop on January 29th from 9 am to 3 pm at Belle Chasse's Library. She explained the basis of the workshop: this event is in partnership with the Delta Regional Community Healthcare System Development Program. Ms. Martin mentioned that February's event, named "Heart Health," will be hosted at Plaquemines Medical Center with Dr. Lakeisha Williams of Xavier University speaking. The date is set for Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 10:30 am.

Public Comments: None

Item IX. New Business: (Dale Adams)

A. Patients with Excessive Outstanding Balances (Trechel Ronquille)

Ms. Ronquille expressed her concerns to the board about patients with excessive outstanding balances. She asked them for advice on how to handle the continuous visits without pay. The board discussed various ways to handle the patients and their default balances, while also expressing the need to continue seeing them. A suggestion was made to have a provider credentialed for out-of-state Medicaid that would cover some charges. No further questions were asked.

Item X. Old Business: (Dale Adams)

A. Update on Belle Chasse Facility (Leslie Prest)

Ms. Prest mentioned that the lights for the trees will be delivered and installed at the end of the month. The lighting will improve safety for the employees leaving after dark. The directional signs that state "Urgent Care" with an arrow are scheduled for installation on January 29th. The other directional sign for the Belle Chasse post office is in production and will be installed once complete. She noted that there is no exact date for this sign.

Public Comments: None

B. Primary Care Update (Jennifer Harris)

Ms. Harris mentioned that the mobile mammogram unit will be next Wednesday, January 21st, with a full schedule. She noted that further dates for the mammogram bus include April 30th, July 16th, and November 13th. Ms. Harris mentioned that a ribbon-cutting is currently being planned for February 10th at 1:30 pm at Phoenix High School for School-Based Health. She mentioned that she is still working with attorney Mr. Jay Lobrano to secure a contract for Pediatric Mental Health. Ms. Harris explained that Plaquemines Primary Care is currently working to obtain Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) certification. They have completed the first of three calls and are more than halfway through the series.

Public Comments: None

C. Update CT Machine/Injector (Dale Adams)

Mr. Adams explained to the board that the CT machine's injector needs to be updated in order to interface with the new Siemens machine. She explained that this injector comes from the previous machine and is compatible if the software is updated. He mentioned that the cost to update the injector is \$7,000. The second option is to purchase a new injector for the CT machine, ensuring everything is brand new. The cost of a new injector is approximately \$29,000. Dr. Naeem suggested that a new injector would be the best option. There was a board discussion, and no further questions were asked.

Motioned by Ms. LaFrance, seconded by Ms. Marinovich, to purchase a new injector for the CT machine.

Public Comments: None

D. Update on Rural Emergency Hospital (Leslie Prest)

Ms. Prest mentioned that she contacted President Keith Hinkley's office to get assistance from the Governor's office on the REH designation. She mentioned that they are currently working to get an appointment for this project.

Public Comments: None

Ms. Tesvich mentioned that the Croatian festival will take place on Friday, March 27th, and Saturday, March 28th, and the Croatian society is requesting the presence of the Plaquemines Medical Center Mobile Unit to provide first aid services. The board assured her of the Mobile Units' presence.

Item XI. Adjournment:

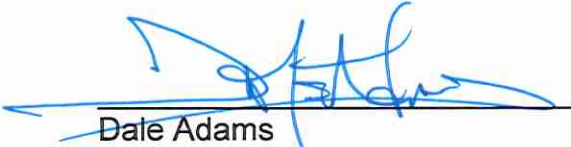
Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Mr. Gaudet, to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM.

Public Comments: None


Motion passed: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 1 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 January 16, 2025.



Dale Adams
Chairman of the Board



Bonnie Thomas
Vice-Chairwoman