

FINAL: APPROVED

PLAQUEMINES MEDICAL CENTER REGULAR BOARD MEETING August 11, 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 6:02 pm on August 11, 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:	Absent
Dot Lundin:	Present	Bonnie Thomas:	Absent
Norma Lafrance:	Present	Stanley Gaudet:	Absent
Brigette Belair:	Present		
Mena Marinovich:	Present		
Dale Adams:	Present		

A quorum was declared present.

Also in attendance were Leslie Prest, Plaquemines Medical Center; Jennifer Harris, Plaquemines Primary Care; Ranada Mackey-St. Ann, Plaquemines Medical Center; Colleen Fisher, Plaquemines Medical Center; Jennifer Sanger, Plaquemines Medical Center; Trechel Ronquille, Plaquemines Medical Center; Robert Albrecht, Plaquemines Medical Center; Monica Martin, Plaquemines Medical Center; LaTonya Hymes - Sam, Plaquemines Medical Center; Dion Lightell - Sylve, Plaquemines Medical Center; Daphene Ancar - James, Plaquemines Medical Center; Derek Kremer, Plaquemines Medical Center; Whitney Faile, Plaquemines Medical Center; Hannaha Williams, Plaquemines Medical Center; and Dr. William Kotler, Plaquemines Medical Center.

Item III. Pledge of Allegiance: (Mena Marinovich)

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

Mrs. Prest acknowledged Mr. Jorge Santiago, who has been an employee for 20-plus years. She recognized his skills, loyalty to PMC, and strong work ethic. She thanked him and wished him a happy retirement for his time to come.

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Ms. LaFrance, to approve the August 2026 agenda, including the acknowledgment of Mr. Jorge Santiago as presented.

Public Comments:

Motion passed: 5 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 1 present not voting.

Item V. Approval of July 2026 Meeting Minutes: (Dale Adams)

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Ms. LaFrance, to approve the July 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented.

Public Comments: None

Motion passed: 5 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 1 present not voting.

Item VI. Financials: (Colleen Fisher)

A. Financial Reports for Belle Chasse July 2026

Ms. Fisher provided the Board with a copy of Belle Chasse's July 2026 financial reports via email before the meeting for their review. She read the July 2026 financial reports during the session. She discussed the Profit & Loss Budget vs. the Actual year-to-date comparison, the July 2026 Income Graph, and the Expense Graph. There were no additional questions.

Public Comments: Ms. Prest corrected a statement regarding the financials. On page 13, number 4, the lab survey hours for COLA costs were \$12,000, not \$120,000.

B. Approval of the Belle Chasse July 2026 Financial Reports

Ms. Marinovich motioned, seconded by Ms. Lundin, to approve the July 2026 Financial Report for Belle Chasse as presented.

Public Comments: None

Motion passed: 5 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 1 present not voting.

C. Financial Reports Port Sulphur for July 2026

Ms. Fisher provided the Board with a copy of Port Sulphur's July 2026 financial reports via email before the meeting for their review. She read the July 2026 financial reports during the session. She discussed the Profit & Loss Budget vs. the Actual year-to-date comparison, the July 2026 Income Graph, and the Expense Graph. There were no additional questions.

D. Approval of the Port Sulphur July 2026 Financial Reports

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Ms. Belaire, to approve the July 2026 Financial Report for Port Sulphur as presented.

Public Comments: None

Motion passed: 5 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 1 present not voting.

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

Dr. Kotler mentioned that there has been an uptick in COVID cases over the last few weeks. The symptoms are mild and cold-like. He announced that we have a new EM resident who will start picking up shifts here. His name is Dr. Kling, a fourth-year emergency medicine resident from UMC. He welcomed him and exclaimed that he was grateful to have him.

Ms. Martin mentioned that Plaquemines Medical Center has been very busy throughout the community; however, we are taking precautions against COVID and the flu that is on the rise in the community. These include the future youth festival, back-to-school bashes on both the Westbank and Eastbank, and participation in the Chick-fil-A Back-to-School event, the Empire Rodeo, and the blood drive. Every event was successful, and she thanked everyone for all their help. Over 500 school backpacks have been given out this year. Ms. Martin thanked Chevron Oronite and Venture Global for sponsoring our Back-to-School Giveaways. She also mentioned the community outreach event scheduled for August 13th in the gathering room at PMC. The topic will be Hurricane Preparedness.

LaTonya mentioned that health screenings will be held at Chevron's health fair on September 15th and 16th. She added that the bus was taken to Belle Chasse High School on August 3rd for the school's annual TB testing of its employees.

Item VIII. New Business: (Dale Adams)

A. Daytime Security (Leslie Prest)

Ms. Prest announced that, upon completion of our quarterly round with employees, the topic of daytime security was raised as a concern for improvement. She explained that security is only here at night from 5:30 pm – 6 am the following morning. The board discussed and agreed to grant Mrs. Prest authority to consult and negotiate regarding daytime security; there were no further questions or concerns.

Motioned by Ms. LaFrance, seconded by Ms. Belaire, to grant Ms. Prest authority to negotiate a contract for daytime security as presented.

Public Comments: The employees thanked the board.

Motion passed: 5 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 1 present not voting.

B. PMC Air Conditioning System (Robert Albrecht)

Mr. Albrecht announced that chiller number 3 is permanently down; they have managed to get half of chiller #1 back up and running. He stated that although chiller 2 is running fine, there are no backups in case something happens. The board discussed the problems and how to handle the situation. There were no further questions or concerns.

Motioned by Ms. Belaire, seconded by Ms. LaFrance, to grant Ms. Prest authority to negotiate between the Carrier and Johnson Controls for the air conditioning system as presented.

Public Comments:

Motion passed: 5 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, 1 present not voting.

Item IX. Old Business: (Dale Adams)

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

Ms. Prest mentioned that there are no updates at the time.

Public Comments: None

B. Primary Care Update: (Jennifer Harris)

Ms. Harris mentioned that on August 27th, PPC will travel to Phoenix High School to conduct school physicals; the same thing was conducted at South Plaquemines High School. Ms. Harris also mentioned that she is currently working to provide well-child physicals to children in the Head Start program.

Ms. Harris mentioned that the logistics of hosting a ribbon-cutting ceremony for primary care in Belle Chasse are being worked on. She is looking at the latter part of September.

Lastly, Ms. Harris mentioned that the HRSA administrator for regions 6 and 9 and the executive director of the LPCA visited the facility. They had a lot of discussion about our designation being changed from rural to urban.

Public Comments:

C. Update on Rural Emergency Hospital Designation: (Leslie Prest)

Ms. Prest stated that she spoke with the HRSA director regarding the designation and that she was also invited to a roundtable meeting with Julia Letlow by Keith Kinkley. Ms. Prest mentioned that Ms. Letlow agreed to come tour the facility if she won the election.

Public Comments:

D. Quality Measures: (Trechel Ronquille)

Ms. Ronquille discussed the Quality Measures being recorded with all PMC managers and stated that all measures are being met. She commended the Belle Chasse clinic for consistently exceeding their set goals. She also mentioned that CT scans have decreased, but she is working out issues with the insurance companies regarding how they are coding these scans to ensure they are covered.

Ms. Ronquille stated that Retrocade has collected over \$8,100 since January of 2026. In total, since May 2025, we have collected \$15,500 from this program. Ms. Ronquille mentioned that we are still in negotiations with Transworld regarding patients' overdue balances; the attorney is reviewing the agreement, and a better update should be available by next month's meeting. Lastly, Ms. Ronquille mentioned that kiosks are being implemented at the front desk of both facilities for patients who want to check themselves in.

Public Comments:

E. Concrete update: (Robert Albrecht)

Mr. Albrecht mentioned that copies of the proposals were emailed for everyone to review. He stated that Hoskins said his bid won't change and that he is currently awaiting a callback from Edgecombe. Ms. Prest stated that a decision needs to be made on which company to go with for the repairs, but before they can decide, an exact price must be obtained based on the engineer's letter. Mr. Adams asked that the bids be sent back out as a reminder, with clarifications.

Public Comments:

Item X. Executive Session: A. Strategic Planning, LA.R.S. 46:1073

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Ms. Belair, to move into Executive Session.

Public Comments: None

Motion passed: 5 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, and 1 present not voting.

Convened at:	7:01 PM
Re-Convened Regular Meetings at:	7:40 PM

Mr. Adams asked for a motion to exit the Executive Session.

Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Ms. Lundin, to reconvene the regular meeting following the Executive Session.

Public Comments:

Motion passed: 5 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Absent, and 1 present not voting.

Mr. Adams explained that no decisions were made in the Executive Session.

Public Comments: None

Item XI. Adjournment:

Mr. Adams asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

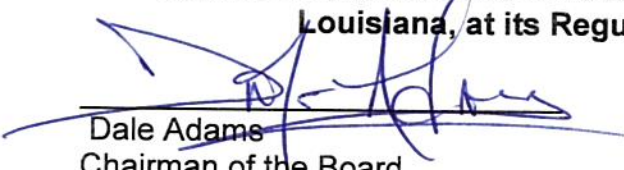
Motioned by Ms. Marinovich, seconded by Ms. Belair, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM.

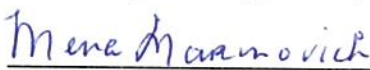
Public Comments: None

Motion passed: 5 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 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 August 11, 2026.


Dale Adams
Chairman of the Board


Mena Marinovich
Secretary/Treasurer