

## **West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District Board Meeting**

The West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District Board held its regularly scheduled meeting on May 26, 2022.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dr. Michel Hirsch, Mr. John Marchand, Mr. Michael Medine and Mr. Vince Cataldo, Mr. A.J. Gomez, Dr. Glenn Schexnayder

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Ms. Nobie Landry, CFO, Ms. Loretta Larvadain, DON,

**ABSENT:** Mr. Larry Buquoi

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Michel Hirsch called the meeting to order at 12:00noon. There was no objection to the minutes of the April 28, 2022 meeting as distributed. The minutes were accepted as individually read.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Mr. Larry Buquoi was not present at this meeting

**3. FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Nobie Landry presented the financial report and sales tax report for review and discussion. The reports were approved as presented.

**4. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Vince Cataldo gave findings of the monthly committee reports and no actions were needed.

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

Ms. Loretta Larvadain gave this report to the Board. No RN applications were received during the past month. A follow up report will be given at the next regular meeting.

Athenahealth go live was August 6, 2019. Dr. Nagaratna Reddy and CareSouth requested an interface with our electronic medical record system. Dr. Reddy's interface is still ongoing. There is no new information to report. We will continue these weekly calls on Thursdays until the interfaces are completed. A follow up report will be given at the next regular meeting.

Mr. Henry Chauvin and Mr. Glenn Higgins have been working to get the drainage impact study approved. Mr. Chauvin has also been working on the removal of the Lab wall and replacing it with a larger door. The Fire Marshall has approved this project. A follow up report will be given at the next regular meeting.

MOB (214 Clinic Drive) Electrical Work (Exterior) Mr. Brandon Cortez (Electrical Engineer) with Castagnos, Goodwin & Utley has been extremely busy with emergency work caused by Hurricane Ida. Mr. Brandon Cortez visited the hospital on April 29, 2022. He reviewed the site for the 2nd time and took pictures. A follow-up report will be given at the next regular meeting.

Hurricane Damage - Garcia Roofing has not returned to repair the roof and owners of the damaged cars have not complained. A follow up report will be given at the next regular meeting.

Emergency Room Roof Repair - Cribbs Inc. was notified following the March Board meeting. The Cribbs representative said it would be repaired in 6 to 8 weeks. Mr. Vince Cataldo called the Cribbs Representative on March 22, 2022 to check on the status of the repairs. The representative said they could not get the tar needed for the job. A follow up report will be given at the next regular meeting.

All board members of public bodies and all hospital employees must receive ethics and sexual harassment training annually. Mr. James Breaux prepared instructions for each Board member to receive this training utilizing a link.

Trustee Self-Assessment - Board members are required to complete a self-assessment document annually. At the January Meeting, Mr. Vince Cataldo gave each Board member the document to complete and return. A follow up report will be given at the next regular meeting.

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

The following medical staff applicants were reviewed by the Board:

<b>Specialty</b>	<b>Reviewed for</b>
ER/Hospitalists (1)	Provisional Privileges
Tele-Stroke (3)	Reappointment

Laboratory (Wall & Door) - It is time to switch out the Chemistry Analyzer in the Lab. The existing analyzer arrived in two pieces and now it has to be relocated temporarily for parallel testing. The analyzer cannot be split and used for parallel testing without recalibrating every test. Mr. Henry Chauvin has been working on this project. A door has to be replaced with a larger one and a piece of wall has to be removed with two additional doors. Two contractors have looked at this project and are in the process of making a proposal to do this work. The replacement door is being purchased by the hospital from Himmel's. A follow up report will be given at the next regular scheduled meeting.

Airgas Rate Increase - Each Board member was given a copy of the correspondence received from Airgas. They will be increasing their prices by 10% across the board. This

includes bulk oxygen, all gas cylinders and monthly rental fees. We will inventory everything to see if we can make some cut backs.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. John Marchand.

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Dr. Michel Hirsch, Board Chairman

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Mr. Vince Cataldo, Administrator/Secretary