

West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District Board Meeting

The West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District Board held its regularly scheduled meeting on July 30, 2020.

The West Ascension Parish Hospital Service District monthly meeting was partially conducted by means of conference call on July 30, 2020 due to Covid-19.*

MEMBERS PRESENT: *Dr. Michel Hirsch, *Dr. Glenn Schexnayder, *Mr. Glenn Robert, Mr. Michael Medine, Mr. Vince Cataldo and Ms. Loretta Larvadain.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Nobie Landry, Mr. Larry Buquoi

1. CALL TO Order

Dr. Michel Hirsch called the meeting to order at 12:00noon. On a motion by Mr. Michael Medine and a second by Dr. Glenn Schexnayder the minutes of the June 25, 2020 board meeting were approved.

2. FINANCIAL REPORT

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

3. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Vince Cataldo gave findings of the monthly, quarterly and bi-annual reports.

One Tele-Stroke Physician was granted provisional privileges.

Mr. Cataldo gave an update on ongoing commercial lab and in-house COVID-19 testing. The COVID-19 situation is continuously being monitored and we remain within all required regulations.

Mr. Cataldo reported the storage building is near completion.

The Drainage Impact Study has discovered a problem with the main sewer line to the rear of the hospital. Following a discussion, the Board motioned and approved having the necessary sewer work done. A meeting took place on June 29, 2020 and the architects and engineers decided to do the two parking lots and the two retention ponds at the same time.

The paperwork for the purchase and cost estimates for repairs and renovations for the MOB on Clinic Drive have been completed.

The Acadian Ambulance contract has been approved.

The Negative Pressure Machine requested by the Director of Respiratory Therapy Department has been ordered and we are awaiting delivery. The Director is also working with a sales rep. to purchase a second ventilator.

A HR consultant is in the process of being hired.

A rough draft of the updated handbook has been sent. Mr. Cataldo is planning to have our new HR consultant review this book and give training to our staff.

Parish Government published the board vacancy for three weeks. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Personnel Committee is not doing interviews.

The annual budget was reviewed and approved by the Board. A copy of this budget will be sent to Ascension Parish Government (Finance Department).

Annual employee evaluations for 2019 were accepted as presented to the Board.

Due to the resignation of Dr. Marta Robertson, the Board approved the upward rotation of the MEC officers. Dr. Glenn Schexnayder will fill Dr. Robertson's position as Chief of Staff and Ethics Committee Chair.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. Michael Medine and seconded by Mr. Glenn Robert.



Dr. Michel Hirsch, Board Chairman



Mr. Vince Cataldo, Administrator/Secretary