St. Tammany HEALTH SYSTEM

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of St. Tammany Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 was held June 23, 2026 in the Boardroom of St. Tammany Parish Hospital in Covington, Louisiana.

Members Present

Mr. John Evans, Chairman
Mr. Paul Davis
Mr. Dale Jenkins
Ms. Kasey Hosch
Mr. Ed Dillard
Sue Osbon, Secretary/ Treasurer
Mr. Wilson Bulloch, III
Merrill Laurent, MD

Also Present

Ms. Joan Coffman, President & CEO
Mr. Jack Khashou, Chief Operating Officer
Ms. Paula Toups, Interim Chief Nursing Officer
Mr. Christopher Ford, Chief Human Resources Officer
Mr. William Jones, Legal Counsel
Ms. Mimi Gaudet, Recording Secretary
Ms. Sandra DiPietro, Chief Financial Officer
Dr. Patrick Torcson, Chief Medical Officer
Ms. Les Hall, Chief Legal Officer
Ms. Kelly Rabalais, Chief Strategy Officer
Mr. Craig Doyle, Chief Information Officer
Mr. Calvin Brasseaux, Legal Counsel

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 12:31p.m. by Mr. John Evans, Chairman. A quorum was present.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Ms. Hosch, duly seconded by Mr. Dillard to accept the items presented under the Consent Agenda without deliberation or discussion. Motion Carried Without Dissent.

PRESENTATIONS

Resolution- Kerry Milton Recognition [Information] Joan Coffman presented a resolution to Kerry Milton in recognition of her forty-four years of service at St. Tammany Health System. The board thanks Ms. Milton for her years of service and wishes her the very best in her retirement.

• A Motion was made by Ms. Hosch, duly seconded by Dr. Laurent, to approve the resolution as presented.

A roll call vote was taken, and the Motion Carried Without Dissent.
In Favor of Approval: Messrs. Jenkins, Davis, Bulloch and Evans; Ms. Hosch, Dr. Osbon and Dr. Laurent
Abstentions: Mr. Dillard

LA Bridge Program Overview [Information] Rebecca Wood, Emergency Department Manager, presented an overview of the new LA Bridge program, a national initiative to address opioid use disorder, which will be implemented at St. Tammany Hospital starting July 1st. The program has three main components: treatment with buprenorphine medication in the emergency department, patient navigation to support ongoing treatment, and creating a culture of care to destigmatize substance use disorders. The program was developed in collaboration with California's Bridge program and the Department of Health, with key players including early adopter physicians and education provided to staff about addiction as a disease process.

NEW BUSINESS

2026 Election of Officers [Action] Mr. Evans opened nominations from the floor for the election and appointment of the position of Board Vice Chairman for the remainder of 2026.

- A motion was made by Mr. Bulloch, duly seconded by Dr. Osbon, to nominate Mr. Dale Jenkins to the position of Vice Chairman for remainder of calendar year 2026. The motion was then made, and duly seconded, to close the nominations for Board Vice Chairman. Motion Carried by Unanimous Consent; No Dissent [Mr. Dale Jenkins abstained]

Board Committee Appointments for 2026 will remain the same as 2026; Dr. Merrill Laurent will serve on the 2026 Physician Leadership Committee and Mr. Paul Davis will serve on the Finance/Audit Committee. A revised list of the 2026 Board Committee Appointments was submitted for inclusion in the minutes.

- A motion was made by Dr. Osbon, duly seconded by Ms. Hosch, to approve the revisions to the 2026 Board/Committee appointments.

  In Favor of Approval: Messrs. Jenkins, Davis, Bulloch and Evans; Dr. Osbon, Ms. Hosch and Dr. Laurent

  Abstentions: Mr. Dillard

Resolution- Tom Davis Recognition [Action] John Evans presented a resolution for board approval recognizing former Board Member Tom Davis and his twenty years of service at St. Tammany Health System. The board will formally present Mr. Davis with his resolution and celebrate his years of service at the July board meeting.

- A Motion was made by Mr. Bulloch, duly seconded by Dr. Osbon, to approve the resolution as presented.

  A roll call vote was taken, and the Motion Carried Without Dissent.

  In Favor of Approval: Messrs. Jenkins, Davis, Bulloch and Evans; Ms. Hosch, Dr. Osbon and Dr. Laurent

  Abstentions: Mr. Dillard

12:55 p.m. Entered Executive Session 2:42 p.m. Returned to Open Session

MOTIONS

1. MOTION TO ACCEPT ALL ITEMS IN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION CONSENT AGENDA. Motion was made by Mr. Jenkins, duly seconded by Dr. Osbon, to accept all items as presented in the Executive Session Consent Agenda. The Motion Carried Without Dissent.

2. MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS AND CREDENTIALING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE MEETING OF JUNE 17, 2026. Motion was made by Dr. Laurent, duly seconded by Dr. Osbon to accept the appointments and credentialing recommendations of the Credentialing Committee of June 17, 2026. The Motion Carried Without Dissent.

3. MOTION TO ACCEPT ALL OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MEDICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF JUNE 17, 2026. Motion was made by Dr. Laurent, duly seconded by Ms. Hosch to accept all other recommendations of the Medical Executive Committee of June 17, 2026. The Motion Carried Without Dissent.

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4. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE QUALITY COMMITTEE MEETING JUNE 4, 2026. Motion was made by Dr. Osbon, duly seconded by Mr. Jenkins to accept the minutes of the Quality Committee Meeting of June 4, 2026. The Motion Carried Without Dissent.

5. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ENGAGEMENT OF KAUFFMAN HALL AS INVESTMENT MANAGER FOR THE SERIES 2026A BONDS PROCEEDS, AS PRESENTED AND AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING OF JUNE 16, 2026. Motion was made by Mr. Jenkins, duly seconded by Mr. Dillard to authorize the engagement of Kauffman Hall as investment manager for the Series 2026A bonds proceeds, as presented and as recommended by the Finance/Audit Committee meeting of June 16, 2026.

   A roll call vote was taken, and the Motion Carried Without Dissent.
   In Favor of Approval: Messrs. Jenkins, Davis, Bulloch and Evans; Ms. Hosch, Dr. Osbon and Dr. Laurent
   Abstentions: Mr. Dillard

6. MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OPTIONS TO PURCHASE THE OUTPATIENT PAVILION AND THE STPN MADISONVILLE CLINIC AS PRINTED. Motion was made by Mr. Bulloch, duly seconded by Mr. Jenkins to adopt the resolution authorizing the options to purchase the Outpatient Pavilion and the STPN Madisonville Clinic as printed. The Motion Carried Without Dissent.

7. MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXERCISE OF RENEWAL OPTIONS ON THE WOMEN'S PAVILION LEASE AS PRINTED. Motion was made by Mr. Bulloch, duly seconded by Ms. Hosch, to adopt the resolution approving the exercise of renewal options on the Women's Pavilion lease as printed. The Motion Carried Without Dissent.

Minutes Approved By:

John Evans, Chairman, Board of Commissioners

7/28/26

Date of Approval