

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 26, 2026**

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The Board of Commissioners of Bayou Bend Health System, Hospital Service District No. 1 of the Parish of St. Mary, met in regular session at 5:15 p.m., March 26, 2026.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Don T. Caffery, Jr., Chairman  
Robert Allain, II, Vice-Chairman  
Dr. Roland Degeyter  
Charles Matthews

ALSO PRESENT

Stephanie Guidry, CEO  
Robert Raheem, CNO  
Mary Bevier, CFO  
Ben Gaines, Legal  
Craig Sims, VP w/CHC  
Dr. Brian Baesler, Chief of Staff  
Sharon Procell, Executive Asst.

ABSENT:

Eugene Foulcard  
Robert Judice, Jr.

GUEST:

Paul Delaney w/Lester, Miller, Hanks  
Greg Thelen w/Clifton, Larson, Allen, LLP

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by the Chairman of Board, Don T. Caffery, Jr. at 5:15 p.m.

**II. INVOCATION**

Ms. Stephanie Guidry opened the meeting with a prayer.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Members recited the "Pledge of Allegiance".

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

NONE

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Approval of Minutes – February 26, 2026**

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to approve February 26, 2026 minutes with Mr. Charles Matthews seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

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**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Clifton Larson Allen, LLP – FY2025 Auditing Reporting (see attached for details)**

Mr. Greg Thelen presented the FY2025 Auditing Report. He highlighted prior period adjustments as follows and discussed results:

- Corrections to the 9/30/24 financial statements:
  - a. overstated receivables and revenue by \$1M
  - b. overstated fixed assets and understated expense by \$418K
  - c. single year financial statement presentation
  - d. single year presentation with prior period adjustment
- Audit Adjustments
  - a. no proposed audit adjustments
  - b. one material management proposed adjustment related to recording payables for 2025 Medicare and Medicaid cost reports reducing net income by approx. \$861K
- Statewide Agreed Upon Procedures
  - a. exceptions noted on timeliness of completion of cash reconciliations
- Financial Statements:
  - a. Statement of Net Position – Assets
  - b. Statement of Net Position – Liabilities and Net Position
  - c. Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
- Required Communications – topics were addressed
- Internal Control Matters
  - a. purpose
  - b. material weakness
  - c. significant deficiencies
  - d. restricted use
  - e. results
- Financial Ratios – Comparative data used
  - a. total margin
  - b. EBIDA
  - c. days cash on hand (all sources)
  - d. debit service coverage

**B. Discuss and Approve Capital Requests**

**1. Urology Service Line Equipment**

Mr. Robert Raheem reported with Dr. Kelly Bewsey starting in May 2026; to accommodate his surgical cases, the hospital is needing urology instruments. Mr. Raheem stated that we need enough instruments to create three (3) sets of instruments to meet Dr. Bewsey needs, have backups in case of an emergency/down instrument and accommodate more than one (1) case a day. He also reported a purchase of a bladder scanner is essential for our new urology clinic to support accurate, noninvasive assessment of urinary retention, improve patient care, reduce infection risk, and ensure efficient clinical operations from day to day.

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He stated the purchase price for instruments and a bladder scanner is \$154,613.00. Mr. Robert Raheem requested that the Board approve the urology service line equipment.

**Dr. Roland Degeyter made a motion to approve the Urology Service Line Equipment with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**2. GE C-Arm Equipment**

Mr. Robert Raheem reported that the radiology and surgery departments are requesting approval to replace the existing GE OEC 9800 C-arm (installed 2004) with a GE OEC Elite CFD system. He noted that the current unit has exceeded its useful life and presents an increasing risk of unexpected failure. He stated the purchase price is \$192,125.00. Mr. Robert Raheem requested that the Board approve the GE C-Arm Equipment.

**Dr. Roland Degeyter made a motion to approve the GE C-Arm Equipment with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to go into Executive Session at 5:43 p.m. with Mr. Charles Matthews seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. Cost Report**
- B. Strategic Planning**

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. with Dr. Roland Degeyter seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**VIII. ACTION(S) TAKEN**

- A. GHC Proposals**

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to approve the GHC Proposals as presented with Mr. Charles Matthews seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**IX. MEDICAL STAFF REPORT**

- A. Credentials and Medical Executive Report**

Dr. Brian Baesler reported to the Medical Executive the following were approved at Medical Executive Committee:

**Initial Appointments:**

**William Eaton, MD – Consulting – Anesthesiologist**

**Benjamin Fontenot, CRNA – Advance Practice Professional – Anesthesia**

**Tyler Vizier, CRNA – Advance Practice Professional – Anesthesia**

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**Reappointments:**

**Alyssa Lusco, PA – Advance Practice Professional – Physician Asst. w/OrthoLa.  
Jason Charrier, DO – Consulting – Emergency Medicine  
Tiffany Waguespack, NP – Advance Practice Professional – Nurse Practitioner  
w/Women’s Clinic  
Tomas Golan, MD – Courtesy – Pediatrics**

**Resigning:**

**Guy Picard, CRNA – Advance Practice Professional – Anesthesia**

Dr. Brian Baesler requested that the Board approve the Initials, Reappointments and Resigning.

**Dr. Roland Degeyter made a motion to approve the Initial Appointment of Dr. William Eaton – Consulting – Anesthesiologist; Benjamin Fontenot, CRNA – Advance Practice Professional – Anesthesia; Tyler Vizier, CRNA – Advance Practice Professional - Anesthesia and the Reappointments of Alyssa Lusco, PA – Advance Practice Professional – Phys. Asst. w/OrthoLa; Dr. Jason Charrie – Consulting – Emergency Medicine; Tiffany Waguespack, NP – Advance Practice Professional – Nurse Practitioner at Women’s Clinic; Dr. Tomas Golan – Courtesy – Pediatrics and the resigning of Guy Picard, CRNA – Advance Practice Professional – Anesthesia with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

Dr. Brain Beasler reported other business accepted at Medical Executive committee meeting was that of the following:

**LAKE RADIOLOGY TELEMEDICINE – (Request to add)**

**Keith Andrews, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Michael Barnidge, MD – Consulting - Tele/Rad  
John Davis, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Jesse Lapietra, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Jason McCourt, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Blake McGehee, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Stacey Ryder, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Lin Xiong, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**

**LAKE RADIOLOGY TELEMEDICINE (Request to reappoint)**

**Jasim Alidina, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Aparna Baheti, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Travis Banta, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
John Barraza,, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Beau Black, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Travis Blanchard, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad  
Michael Bruce, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**

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**Cameron Cummings, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Michael Gabe, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Nina Gazmen, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Charles Greeson, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Deana Jones, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Ryan King, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Noah McGill, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Ryan Mahjoria, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Jonathan Malone, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Laura Miller, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Devan Moody, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Christian Morel, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Loay Muftah, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Brandon St. Amant, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Scott Schuber, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Matthew Stair, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Gerard Tassin, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Eric White, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**  
**Mark Wofford, MD – Consulting – Tele/Rad**

**OCHSNER TELEMEDICINE – (Request to remove)**

**Elizabeth Holcomb, MD – Consulting – Tele/Psych**  
**Grace Jackson, MD – Consulting – Tele/Psych**

**OCHSNER TELEMEDICINE (Request to reappoint)**

**Meaghan Davis, MD – Consulting – Tele/Psych**  
**Jennifer Creedon, MD – Consulting – Tele/Psych**  
**Allyson Darga, MD – Consulting - Tele/Psych**  
**George Sayde, MD – Consulting - Tele/Psych**  
**Tara Kimbrough, MD – Consulting - Tele/Psych**

**1. Core Privileging (see attached for details)**

- A.1.1 General Surgery**
- A.1.2 Bariatrics**
- A.1.3 Urology**
- A.1.4 Pediatric Medicine**
- A.1.5 Orthopedics**
- A.1.6 CRNA**
- A.1.7 Pathology**

Dr. Brian Beasler stated that the hospital is transitioning from the Laundry List of declination of privileging to Core privileging. He reported the General Surgery,

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Bariatrics, Urology, Pediatric Medicine, Orthopedics, CRNA and that of Pathology have gone to MEC for approval. Dr. Baesler requested that the Board approve the core privileging as listed.

**Dr. Roland Degeyter made a motion to approve General Surgery, Bariatrics, Urology, Pediatric Medicine, Orthopedics, CRA, and Pathology core privileging with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**2. Medical Directors and Hospital Appointed Positions**

Dr. Brian Baesler announced the 2026 Medical Directors and the 2026 Hospital Positions as follows:

- Respiratory Therapy – Dr. Roland Degeyter
- Infection Control and Prevention  
Antibiotic Stewardship Program  
Intensive Care Services  
Therapy Services } Dr. Steven McPherson
- Athletic Trainer Services  
Cardio-Pulmonary Rehab Services – Dr. Brian Baesler
- Surgical & Anesthesia Services – Dr. Johnny Perez
- Obstetrical Services – Dr. Nsikan St. Martin
- Newborn and Pediatric Services – Dr. Sharad Gunda
- Emergency Services – Dr. Michael Peebles (Interim)
- Laboratory Services – Dr. Daniel Duhon
- Radiology Services  
Nuclear Medicine Services – Dr. Dr. Jon Malone
- Radiation Safety Officer – Luke McCoy, Med. Physics
- Emergency Preparedness & Safety Officer – Mr. Daniel Landry
- Pharmacy Director & Antibiotics Stewardship Program Director –  
Mr. Donney Goutierrez
- Infection Control and Preventionist – Ms. Katie Domingue

**Dr. Roland Degeyter made a motion to approve the 2026 Medical Directors and the Hospital Positions submitted with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**B. Discuss and Approve Policies and Procedures**

1. Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia Prevention
  2. Anesthesia P&P
  3. Crash Carts
  4. Monitoring Effects of Medications
  5. Order: Medications
  6. EMTALA Policy
- } these 3 on one signature page

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Mr. Robert Raheem briefly discussed minor changes to no changes to the Policies and Procedures listed above. He stated all have been to Medical Executive committee for approval. Mr. Raheem requested that the Board approve the listed policies and procedures.

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to approve the Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia Prevention, Anesthesia P&P, Crash Carts, Monitoring Effects of Medications, Order: Medications and that of EMTALA policy with Mr. Charles Matthews seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**X. QUALITY COMMITTEE REPORT**

**A. Organization Quality Data (see report for details)**

Mr. Robert Raheem reported on behalf of Ms. Joyce Andrico. He reported 2025 overview of Quality/Risk Management and gave a view into 2026 with the following:

- Eventful 2025 included
  - a. One Big Beautiful Bill
  - b. Executive orders/actions
  - c. Federal government reorganization
  - d. Trade policy/tariffs
  - e. Immigration policy changes
  - f. Government shut down
  - g. Insurance coverage
- CMS – Themes for Quality and Safety
- CMS – Inpatient Quality Reporting
- CMS – Outpatient Quality Reporting
- Required reporting to additional entities:
  - a. Joint Commission (ORYX)
  - b. Louisiana Hospital Association
  - c. CDC
  - d. CMS Flex Program
  - e. CMS South Central QIO
- Quality Program Measure Trends Analysis (see report for details)
- 2026 PI Projects
- 2026 Quality Focus Areas
  - a. Increase eCQMs capability
  - b. PI Projects
  - c. Patient Satisfaction PI for all clinical areas
  - d. Medication Management Project
  - e. New services of Pediatrics, Cardiology, Urology
  - f. required submissions (see report for details)

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Mr. Robert Raheem requested that the Board approve the Quality report and the 2026 PI Projects and Quality Focus Areas.

**Dr. Roland Degeyter made a motion to approve the Quality Report and the 2026 PI Projects and Quality Focus Areas with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**XI. FINANCE REPORT**

**A. February 2026 Financials Report**

Ms. Mary Bevier reported ended February 2026 was \$288K less budget with \$204K Deficit of Expenses over Revenues. She stated the cash increased by \$191K during the month per the Cash Flow statement.

Ms. Bevier reported the total patient revenue for February 2026 was \$4.5M. She stated this was below budget by \$181K or 4%. Compared to prior year (PY) revenues, there was an increase of \$235K.

Ms. Bevier reported that total deductions from revenue were below budget but above PY. February's deduction was 49% of total patient revenue, compared to the budgeted 49.5% and PY of 55%.

Ms. Bevier reported February resulted in net patient revenue reporting above budget and PY 20%. Our net Patient Revenue (NPR) of \$2.3M is \$61K above budget and \$411K below PY. NPR as a percentage of total patient revenue is 51% compared to budget of 50% and PY of 45%.

Ms. Bevier reported the operating revenue for the month was below budget by \$199K and below PY.

Ms. Mary Bevier reported on the balance sheet, adding this month's balance sheet is the first time showing the Prior Year End amounts updated to reflect audited financial statements balances for September 30, 2025.

Ms. Bevier reported the operating cash increased by \$191K when compared to the prior month. The hospital received \$1.2M for State Fiscal Year 2025 of Physician Directed Payment Program (PDPP).

Ms. Mary Bevier requested that the Board approve the February 2026 Financials.

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to approve the February 2026 Financials Report with Dr. Roland Degeyter seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

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**B. HIPPA Security Risk Assessment**

Ms. Mary Bevier briefly discussed the following:

- Current State (What We Have)
  - a. strong technical security controls
  - b. immutable backups in place
  - c. dedicated IT security operations
  - d. many HIPPA activities already performed
- Material Risk (What's Exposed)
  - a. no enterprise security policy or risk governance
  - b. no full-disk encryption
  - c. no business impact analysis
  - d. no formal vendor security vetting
- Actions
  - a. approve Enterprise Security Policy Framework
  - b. mandate Full-Disk Encryption + EOL remediation funding
  - c. require Business Impact Analysis + DR/BC Plan
  - d. enforce Annual HIPPA SRA, DR testing
  - e. approve Vendor Security Risk Assessment program

**XII. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

**A. Chief Executive Officer Report – Ms. Stephanie Guidry, CEO**

- ✓ Construction – OR on track - April 13<sup>th</sup> – furniture moves in – then, DHH inspect
- ✓ Satellite: OP Clinic – Bariatric/Surgery – opportunity for additional revenue
- ✓ Thanked the Board for the Employee Incentives

**B. Chief Nursing Officer Report – Mr. Robert Raheem, CNO**

- ✓ Employees are great at their work
- ✓ Health Fair – to introduce clinics/services
- ✓ CHC Mock Survey – deep dived
- ✓ Dr. Bchara Janadri – doing well
- ✓ Dr. Bret Hebert – last day May 1<sup>st</sup> – will stay PRN

**C. CHC Management Report**

- ✓ See the attached CHC Board Report

Mr. Charles Matthews made the motion to accept the Management Reports with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**XIII. ADJOURN**

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Charles Matthews moved with Dr. Roland Degeyer seconding the motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

  
Don T. Caffery, Jr. - Chairman

  
Stephanie A. Guidry, CEO