

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 30, 2026**

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., April 30, 2026.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Don T. Caffery, Jr., Chairman  
Robert Allain, II, Vice-Chairman  
Dr. Roland Degeyter  
Eugene Foulcard  
Robert Judice, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT

Mary Bevier, CFO  
Robert Raheem, CNO  
Ben Gaines, Legal  
Dr. Brian Baesler, Chief of Staff  
Craig Sims, VP w/CHC  
Tina Petry, Compliance Officer  
Sharon Procell, Executive Asst.

ABSENT:

Charles Matthews  
Stephanie Guidry, CEO

GUEST:

Tracy Dickerson w/ CHC – VP Recruiter  
Mary Beth w/CHC – Human Resources

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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**

Mr. Eugene Foulcard opened the meeting with a prayer.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Members recited the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Craig Sims with CHC introduced Ms. Mary Beth and Tracy Dickerson, both with CHC.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

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

**Mr. Eugene Foulcard made a motion to approve March 26, 2026 minutes with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

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**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Discuss and Approve**

**1. Adopt Tax Millage for 2026**

**A.1.1 Resolutions (9.920 mills and 3.10 mills)**

**A.1.2 Affidavit**

Ms. Mary Bevier reported it's time to Adopt Tax Millage for 2026. She stated the Resolutions are for 2026 Tax Millage Adoption of 9.92 mills with Maintenance and Operations at 3.10 mills. The Affidavit is Not Rolling Forward. Ms. Bevier requested that the Board approve the Resolution and the Affidavit (Not rolling forward).

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2026 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by the Board of Commissioners of Hospital Service District No. 1 of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana.

MILLAGE: 2026 Tax Millage Adoption	9.92 mills
Maintenance and Operation Tax	3.10 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2026, and make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

Ms. Mary Bevier stated let the minutes reflect the foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following:

**YEAS: Eugene Foulcard; Robert Judice, Jr; Dr. Roland Degeyter;  
Don T. Caffery, Jr.; Robert Allain, II**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSTAINED: None**

**ABSENT: Charles Matthews**

**B. Discuss and Approve Capital Requests**

**1. GE E8C-RS Microconvex Array Probe**

Mr. Robert Raheem reported that the GE E8C-RS Microconvex Array Probe is an ultrasound probe needed to perform prostate biopsies in surgery. The requested probe is needed to visualize the prostate, guide the location of the biopsy needles

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and extract prostate tissue to diagnose prostate cancer. He stated the total purchase price \$5,500.00. Mr. Raheem requested that the Board approve the probe.

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to approve the GE E8C-RS Microconvex Array Probe with Mr. Robert Judice, Jr. seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**2. Stryker Helmet System**

Mr. Robert Raheem reported that the Stryker Surgical Helmet System is needed to perform total joint orthopedic cases. He stated our current helmet system is obsolete, the togas (surgical gown/hoods) are no longer being produced. The purchase price is \$16,682.00. Mr. Raheem requested that the Board approve the Stryker helmet system.

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to approve the Stryker Helmet System with Mr. Robert Judice, Jr. seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**C. Policies and Procedures**

**1. Information Systems P&P**

Ms. Mary Bevier reported the Information Systems department is up for annual review on their policies and procedures (see page 16 for detail listing). Ms. Bevier requested that the Board approve the Information Systems P&P.

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to approve the Information Systems P&P with Mr. Robert Judice, Jr. seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**VII. 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:**

**Kelly Bewsey, MD – Active - Urology**

**Reappointment:**

**Oleitha Wilson-Ruffin, MD – Courtesy - Pediatrics**

Dr. Brian Baesler requested that the Board approve the Initial and the Reappointments.

**Mr. Eugene Foulcard made a motion to approve the Initial Appointment of Dr. Kelly Bewsey – Active – Urology and the Reappointment of Dr. Oleitha Wilson-Ruffin with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

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**VIII. FINANCE REPORT**

**A. March 2026 Financials Report**

Ms. Mary Bevier reported ended March 2026 was \$142K above budget with \$82K Excess of Revenues less Expenses. She stated the cash decreased by \$2.9M during the month per the Cash Flow statement.

Ms. Bevier reported the total patient revenue for March 2026 was \$4.6M. She stated this was above budget by \$20K or 0.4%. Compared to prior year (PY) revenues, there was an increase of \$101K.

Ms. Bevier reported that total deductions from revenue were above and below PY. PY. March deduction were 56% of total patient revenue, compared to the budgeted 49.5% and PY of 70%.

Ms. Bevier reported March resulted in net patient revenue reporting below budget and above PY. Our net Patient Revenue (NPR) of \$2M is \$301K below budget and \$655K above PY. NPR as a percentage of total patient revenue is 44% compared to budget of 50% and PY of 30%.

Ms. Bevier reported the operating revenue for the month was above budget by \$687K and above PY.

Ms. Bevier reported the operating cash reduced by \$2.9M when compared to the prior month. In addition to the \$237K IGT, the second half IGT for SFY25 Physician DPP funding, \$845.167. Nearly all the SFY25 Physician DPP funds have been received and hopefully we will soon begin receiving the SFY26 Physician DPP funding. The \$995,242 FY2025 Medicare cost report liability was also paid in early March.

Ms. Mary Bevier reported other receivables increased \$2.3M due to the \$1.1M payments of IGT's. The recording of the \$737K of SFY2026 State Amendment Plan funds and normal monthly revenue accruals for other supplemental funding.

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

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to approve the March 2026 Financials Report with Mr. Eugene Foulcard seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**IX. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

**A. Chief Executive Officer Report – Ms. Mary Bevier reported on behalf of Stephanie Guidry, CEO**

- ✓ General Surgery Building - Bid end of April, first of May
- ✓ New Office Building on Northwest Blvd. – Bid process in May
- ✓ PT/Lab - Bid Process in May
- ✓ Dr. Kelly Bewsey – plans to be here May 4<sup>th</sup>

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

- ✓ Continuing to remain TJC ready
- ✓ Sam is doing great with his community outreach
- ✓ Planning a Health Fair in June
- ✓ Career Fair is set for May 12th
- ✓ Met w/Terry from Sorionic for them to utilize our ED for their Workers Comp visits
- ✓ Fire Marshal did walk through yesterday and Final OR suite should be turned over next week. Tina Petry will submit paperwork for DHH inspection
- ✓ Met with OLOL to speak about ensuring that we get our patients back from them that we send out or intervention if they need therapy to help increase our swing.
- ✓ Also with OLOL/FMOL had a meeting to collaborate with potential tele-neuro and tele-neonatology
- ✓ Will perform our Active shooter drill on May 8<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Bariatric – will be surveyed on June 24<sup>th</sup>

**C. CHC Management Report**

- ✓ See the attached CHC Board Report

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made the motion to accept the Management Reports with Mr. Eugene Foulcard seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to go into Executive Session at 5:47 p.m. with Mr. Eugene Foulcard seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**Mr. Eugene Foulcard made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 6:13 p.m. with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**XI. ACTION(S) TAKEN**

- A. Compliance Report**

**Dr. Roland Degeyter made a motion to approve the Compliance Report as presented with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**B. inReach Agreement**

**Mr. Robert Allain, II made a motion to approve the inReach agreement with the attorney's approval of language with Mr. Eugene Foulcard seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

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**C. Incentive Compensation for Key Personnel**

**Mr. Eugene Foulcard made a motion to approved CHC recommendation for the 5% Incentive Compensation for Key Personnel with Mr. Robert Allain, II seconding the motion. The motion carried unanimously.**

**XII. ADJOURN**

**With no further business to discuss, Mr. Robert Judice, Jr. moved with Dr. Roland Degeyter seconding the motion to adjourn at 6:16 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.**

  
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Don T. Caffery, Jr. Chairman

  
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Stephanie A. Guidry, CEO