

North Oaks Health System
Board of Commissioners Monthly Meeting
January 24, 2024
Minutes

The Board of Commissioners of Hospital Service District No. 1 of Tangipahoa Parish met on Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. in the North Oaks Board Room. Chairman Ron Macaluso called the meeting to order.

Members Present:

Ron Macaluso, Chairman
Terry Harper, Vice-Chairman
Ann Carruth, DNS, RN
Joycelyn Lee, RPh
Mark Mobley
Ron Orsi

Others Present:

Michele K. Sutton, FACHE
Mark Anderson
Mac Barrient
Jessica Bennett
Terry Brennan
Beth Carver
Tony Dennis, MD
John Derenbecker
Jeff Jarreau
Ty Kennon
Robert Peltier, MD
Kirsten Riney
Michael Watkins
Melanie Zaffuto

Introductions

M. Sutton introduced Ty Kennon as our new VP of Marketing / Business Development. Dr. Peltier introduced Dr. Tony Dennis who is our new Chief of Staff. Dr. Peltier shared many of Dr. Dennis' accomplishments and everyone welcomed him.

Approval of Minutes

The following meeting minutes were submitted for approval:
Board of Commissioners: November 29, 2023

The minutes were approved by consent as submitted.

Public Input

Scott Wilson and Mark Wilson, of MA Wilson Construction requested to address the Board concerning an active construction project at North Oaks Medical Center. Scott Wilson spoke on the company's behalf.

R. Macaluso thanked the gentlemen for coming.

Executive Session

Upon a motion by R. Orsi, seconded by T. Harper, and unanimously passed to convene into Executive Session

At this point, M. Zaffuto exited the meeting.

Regular Session

Upon a motion by T. Harper, seconded by R. Orsi, and unanimously passed to convene into Regular Session.

Parish Council Update

J. Thomas was unable to attend today's meeting.

Medical Staff Applications

North Oaks Medical Center

Medical Staff Applications – D. Dennis, MD presented the following physician applications as recommended by and subsequent to the review of their respective departments, Bylaws & Credentials and the North Oaks Medical Executive Committee:

Jeremiah Bell, MD: Telemedicine/Neurology
Palam Annamalai, MD: Active/Radiology (IR Locums)
Geoffrey Jones, MD: Active/Radiology (IR Locums)
LaTangela Smith, DO: Telemedicine/Neurology
Richard Vanbergen, MD: Telemedicine/Radiology (BRRG)
Brooke LeBlanc, MD: Active/Anesthesiology
Kayla Pence, MD: Consulting/Pediatric Neurology
Ingrid Roskos, MD: Active/OB-GYN
Derrick Umansky, MD: Active/Neurosurgery

Upon a motion by T. Harper, seconded by R. Orsi, and passed, the physician applications were approved as recommended by the North Oaks Medical Executive Committee and electronic approval completed in symplr database by President/Chief Executive Officer.

Advanced Practitioner Applications – T. Dennis, MD presented the following advanced practitioner applications as recommended by and subsequent to the review of their respective departments, Bylaws & Credentials and the North Oaks Medical Executive Committee:

Devon Relle, NP: CHNOLA Urology
LaTonya McMorris, NP: North Oaks Neurology

Upon a motion by T. Harper, seconded by R. Orsi, and unanimously passed, the advanced practitioner applications were approved as recommended by the North Oaks Medical Executive Committee and electronic approval completed in symplr database by President/Chief Executive Officer.

Request for Additional Privileges – T. Dennis, MD presented the following request for additional privileges as recommended by and subsequent to the review of their respective departments, Bylaws & Credentials and the North Oaks Medical Executive Committee:

Lauren Baumgartner, MD – Robotic-assisted Surgery (General)

Upon a motion by T. Harper, seconded by M. Mobley, and unanimously passed, the request for additional privileges for Lauren Baumgartner, MD was approved as recommended by the North Oaks Medical Executive Committee.

Waiver Request – Waiver request was presented for a physician, discussed in Executive Session and denied.

Financial Report

Financial Dashboard – The December 2023 Financial Dashboard was submitted and reviewed. M. Anderson answered questions from Board members.

M. Anderson shared that we will learn our new S&P rating tomorrow. M. Sutton will share the new rating with the Board members.

Upon a motion by M. Mobley, seconded by T. Harper, and unanimously passed the December 2023 Financial Dashboard was approved as submitted.

Unfinished Business – None to report.

New Business - None to report.

Executive Session

Upon a motion by J. Lee, seconded by M. Mobley, and unanimously passed to convene into Executive Session.

Regular Session

Upon a motion by T. Harper, and seconded by R. Orsi, and unanimously passed to convene to Regular Session.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date of the North Oaks Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. in North Oaks Board Room.

Adjournment

With no further business, upon a motion by M. Mobley, seconded by T. Harper, and unanimously passed to adjourn.

Michele K. Sutton, FACHE
President/Chief Executive Officer, North Oaks Health System
Board Secretary