

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
WEST CALCASIEU CAMERON HOSPITAL FOUNDATION  
MINUTES OF MEETING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024  
HOSPITAL BOARD ROOM—8:00 AM**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the West Calcasieu Cameron Hospital Foundation was held on Thursday, February 1, 2024, in the Board Room of West Calcasieu Cameron Hospital, located at 701 Cypress Street, Sulphur, LA. Mr. Ken Broussard, President, called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m. Mr. Broussard then led the prayer.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Kathy Bourgeois; Janie Frugé; Bobby LeTard; Ken Broussard; Mike Granger; Denise Perry; Alesia Compton; Rick Watson; Karen Farnum; Mary Ann Redd; Suzanne Nelson; Richard Roe, IV, MD; Marilyn Dawdy; Colleen Desselle; Matthew Welsh

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mia Nichols

Mr. Ken Broussard presented the minutes from the meeting of the Board of Directors held on November 16, 2023, for approval. Mrs. Karen Farnum made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mrs. Suzanne Nelson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Alesia Compton then reviewed the November & December, 2023, financial statements. Total income in November was \$48,049.36 and \$51,766.50 in December. Year-to-date income for 2023 totaled \$625,116.88. Expenses in November were \$46,280.38 and \$28,171.47 in December, with 2023 expenses totaling \$384,034.74. Net income for November was \$6,031.40 and \$25,750.82 in December. Total in checking and savings as of December 31, 2023, was \$474,833.32 with \$246,851.89 in restricted funds and \$227,981.43 in operating funds. Net income 2023 totaled \$266,638.80. The Ethel Precht donations and disbursements were also reviewed. In 2023, 52 applicants were assisted through this program. That concluded the Financial report.

Mrs. Janie Frugé gave the CEO report. She began with a report regarding the inclement weather which created some issues with the bridges. Next, Mrs. Frugé reported about a recent major electrical issue that occurred at the Hospital. She commended our Plants Ops team for their effort in resolving the issue. Lastly, Mrs. Frugé reported the Dr. Uzma Naeem, OBGYN, has joined the WCCH medical staff and has begun seeing patients at OBG-1 of WCCH. That concluded the CEO report.

Mrs. Marilyn Dawdy relayed a positive personal experience at the Hospital and with the Doctors.

Mr. Matthew Welsh presented the 2024 WCCH Foundation Strategic Initiatives. The plan focused on four (4) core areas: 1.) Operational Improvements; 2.) Focus on Development Opportunities; 3.) Build Upon Event Momentum; and 4.) Marketing & Advocacy. Next, Mr. Welsh reviewed recommended updates to the Ethel Precht Program Financial Assistance Guidelines, with the main update involving the inclusion of CETI-approved fitness training as an approved reimbursable expense for qualified candidates. Dr. Richard Roe, IV made a motion to accept the revised guidelines as presented. Mrs. Marilyn Dawdy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Matthew Welsh then gave a Director's report. He began with a reminder regarding annual Ethics Training for 2024. Next, he announced April 5, 2024, date for the Mac Burns Golf Tournament, which will be held at Fresch Park in Sulphur. He then shared that this year will serve as the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the Ethel Precht Hope Breast Cancer Walk. The walk is scheduled for Saturday, October 19, 2024 at the Lake Charles Event Center – Front Lawn. Next, Mr. Welsh shared that the WCCH Employee Banquet will take place on Friday, April 5, 2024, at the Golden Nugget in Lake Charles. Lastly, Mr. Welsh shared that the 2024 Mac Burns Scholarship application period would be available starting in February. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 21, 2024.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 a.m. upon motion of Mr. Mike Granger, seconded by Mrs. Colleen Desselle and all voting in favor.

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Secretary – WCCH Foundation

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Executive Director – WCCH Foundation