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There was a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of G. B. Cooley Hospital Service District held on Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 4:30 PM in the Board Room of the G.B. Cooley Administration Building located at 211 N. 3rd Street, Monroe, LA.

**Call to Order:** Dan Sartor, Chairperson, called the meeting to order, there being a quorum present.

**Board Members Present:** Dan Sartor, Cindy Johns, Lynn Wilson, Taronda Goodin, Jackie Slack, Kenneth Wilson, and Dawn Stanfield

**Board Members Absent:** There were none.

**Others Present:** Ben Pitts, Connie Page, Jimmy Sanderlin and Chelsea Caldwell

**Prayer:** The invocation was offered by Kenneth Wilson.

**Public Comments:** There were none.

**Amend Agenda:** Jackie Slack made a request to add the GBC Behavioral Health Hospital Property Lines to the agenda under “New Business”. She made a motion, seconded by Kenneth Wilson and unanimously carried by the Commissioners present to add the item to the 2-8-24 agenda.

**Minutes:** The minutes for January 11, 2024, Board meeting were presented. The minutes were previously forwarded to Commissioners. A motion was offered by Cindy Johns, seconded by Kenneth Wilson, and unanimously carried by the Commissioners present to waive the reading of the 1-11-24 minutes. A motion was offered by Kenneth Wilson, seconded by Taronda Goodin, and unanimously carried by the Commissioners present to approve the 1-11-24 Board Meeting minutes as presented.

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**New Business:**

**Adopt and Approve Behavioral Health Hospital Policies:**

This item was tabled to be addressed at the March board meeting. The full packet was not received prior to the meeting.

**Reports:**

Jimmy Sanderlin, CFO presented the report for the month of December and the six months ending December 31,2023. Operating Revenues were over budget for the month by $46,457 and year to date by $707,389. Operating expenses for the month were over budget by $18,319 and over budget for the year to date by $45,155. For the month the expenses exceeded revenue by $ 49,774 and for year-to-date revenue exceeded expenses by $752,947. For expense comparison variances of 5% and $5,000 were used as the model. Payroll and supplies were over budget.

Ben Pitts, Hospital Director, presented the February 2024 report. Facility total census was (145) with (117) in community homes; (28) in SIL; (0) in TGH. There were no discharges in December, and (3) were admitted in community homes. Total employees on the payroll at the end of December was (200), with a turnover rate of 1.5%. The Abuse/Neglect report was presented. Ben also provided an update on the hospital project. Comments and questions were addressed.

**GBC Behavioral Health Hospital Property Lines:**

**Public Comments:** There were none.

**Commissioners’ Statements/Discussion:** There were none.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, a motion was offered by Dan Sartor, seconded by Dawn Stanfield, and unanimously carried by the Commissioners present to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Dan Sartor, Chairperson Ben Pitts, Hospital Director

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