

# San Juan Health Service District Board Meeting Minutes

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Date: June 19, 2025

Location: San Juan Health Conference Room, 380 W 100 N Monticello, UT

## Opening of Regular Meeting

### 1. Call to Order

Allen called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Board Members in Attendance: Allen Barry, Paul Sonderegger, Steve Simpson, Steph Williams, Doug Christensen

Absent: Casey Veach

Others in Attendance: Clayton Holt – CEO, Farley Crofts – CFO, Ashley Reynolds – CNO, Nick Fox – SJCM Manager, Skyler Crofts – Deputy Recorder, and others as listed on guest list.

### 2. Special Presentation – “Timeline of a Miracle” (Dr. Wigant)

Dr. Wigant presented an account of a life-threatening obstetric emergency in which a pregnant patient experienced sudden hemorrhaging during a routine induction

- Staff responded with an emergency C-section within 13 minutes of decision
- Delivery met standards of a Level 4 trauma center
- Baby, known to have cystic fibrosis, required extensive NICU care but is now stable and neurologically intact
- Key staff and physicians were coincidentally available, contributing to the successful outcome
- The case has drawn praise from external NICU providers who were shocked at the level of care provided by such a small rural hospital

### 3. Site Tour

Board participated in a walking tour of the new construction site beginning at 6:29 PM, and the meeting reconvened at 7:21 PM

## Administrative Report

### 1. CNO/Clinical Report (Ashley Reynolds)

- Respiratory Illnesses: Almost nonexistent in April and May; however, an unusual pneumonia strain required treatment adjustments
- Gastrointestinal Illness: Unexplained increase, unrelated to facility conditions, appears resolved
- Significant Trauma Cases: Gunshot wound, near-drowning, chemical burns, MVAs, ATV accidents, and increased transfers (20 in May—highest to date)
- OB Services: Temporary OB divert due to both OB physicians being unavailable. Alternative arrangements and pre-delivery inductions offered
- Staffing: Difficulty filling night shifts due to required skills across multiple disciplines. Hired a highly experienced travel nurse and one new full-time nurse
- SANE Program Launch: Two nurses undergoing training for sexual assault forensic exams. Full program expected by fall 2025

### 2. Telehealth & Clinic Expansion

- Added Tele-Heart Failure APRN and Endocrinologist (starting July 3)
- Endocrinology schedule filled immediately with a 24-patient waitlist

## Old/New Business

### 1. Hospital Project Update (Clayton Holt)

- Construction on track and budget remains solid
- Approximately \$28M due to contractor, with \$3.5M reserved for equipment
- Goal remains to retain ~\$10M in reserve funds
- Additional funding expected through DSH and cost report settlements before year-end

### 2. Property Tax Rate Approval

- Certified Rate: Adopted at .000693 (17% reduction from 2024 rate).
- Impact: Despite lower rate, total tax revenue increases due to \$250M increase in assessed property value.
- Discussion: Board reaffirmed commitment to fiscal responsibility by not pursuing the maximum rate.

Motion: Paul Sonderegger made a motion to adopt the certified tax rate of .000693

Second: Doug Christensen

Motion Passed: Unanimously

## Financial/Statistical

### 1. CFO Report (Farley Crofts)

- Revenue: Over \$3M in monthly billings for March–May 2025—new record
- High-Performing Areas: Surgery, radiology, ER, and pharmacy (driven by oncology)
- Challenges: AR days increased due to Medicare Advantage denials and payment delays; recovering steadily
- Cash Position: \$39.6M cash on hand; strategic payments made to maximize interest (~\$5K/day)
- Audit Submitted: FY24 audit submitted to the County. Auditor to present audited financials at August meeting
- DSH & Medicaid Risks: Legislative uncertainty regarding Medicaid and hospital assessment funding; situation being monitored via UHA

## Sub-Committee Reports

### 1. Medical Staff Report

Reviewed during CEO/CNO updates.

## Credentialing

### New Credentialing

Motion: Steph Williams made a motion to accept the Medical Staff's recommendation to credential:

- Janus Short, NP

Second: Paul Sonderegger

Motion Passed: Unanimously

### Delegated Credentialing – Schedule C-1 Updates

Motion: Steph Williams made a motion to approve updated Schedule C-1 for the following services:

- Tele-Cardiology
- Tele-Endocrinology
- Tele-Critical Care
- Precision Physical and Occupational Therapy

Second: Steve Simpson

Motion Passed: Unanimously

## Policy Review & Approval

Motion: Steph Williams made a motion to approve the new, revised, and unchanged policies as listed in the board packet.

Second: Paul Sonderegger  
Motion Passed: Unanimously

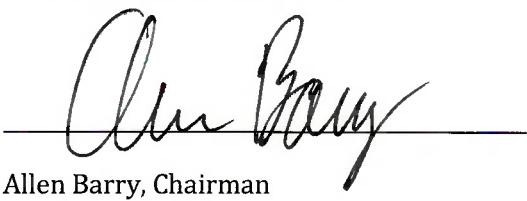
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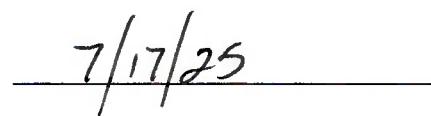
### 1. Next Meeting

Scheduled for July 17, 2025, in Monticello.

## Adjournment

Motion: Paul Sonderegger made a motion to adjourn at 8:24 PM  
Second: Doug Christensen  
Motion Passed: Unanimously

  
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Allen Barry, Chairman

  
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