



August 31, 2026
MCHD Board Minutes
Rusty Branson, Chairman

Call to Order

The Marion County Hospital District Board of Trustees regular monthly meeting was called to order by Rusty Branson on August 31, 2026, with a quorum present at 5:00 PM at 2547 E. Silver Springs Blvd. Ocala, FL.

5:00 PM Roll Call

Upon roll call the following Board Members were present in the office: Teresa Stephens, Rusty Branson, Ken Kirkpatrick, Loretha Tolbert-Rich, Harvey Vandeven, Stephanie Harrell

Absent

Mark Ortolani

Other Present in Office

Curt Bromund, Debra Velez, Matt White, Jessica Cole, Crystal Pfriendler, Brandi Glover, Kimberly Glancy, Kenneth (Mac) Mackay, Nathan Howes, Jadon Milton, Rich Bianculli, Brandon Richter, Sarah Ostreicher, Jessie Driggers, Dr. Danielle Brewer, Kristi Dixon, Christopher Roy, Charity Corneliussen, Nicole Shaffer, Dr. Jennifer Bizon, Dr. Ramon Sun, Katie Stewart, Bruce Ackerman

Invocation

The meeting opened with invocation by Matt White.

Public Comment (3 Minutes)

None.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The MCHD July 27, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes were presented for approval.

Teresa Stephens made a motion, seconded by Stephanie Harrell to adopt the previous minutes. With no further discussion or objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

The August 18, 2026, Strategic Planning Meeting Minutes were presented for approval.

Loretha Tolbert-Rich made a motion, seconded by Teresa Stephens to adopt the previous minutes. With no further discussion or objections, the motion was unanimously approved.



New Business

CEO Update

FANS Presentation – Jessica Cole provided an overview of the FANS program and introduced the FANS staff. Dr. Danielle Brewer, Superintendent of Marion County Public Schools, spoke about the program and expressed appreciation to the Marion County Hospital District for its partnership and support.

UF McKnight Brain Institute Presentation – Trustees requested that representatives from the McKnight Brain Institute attend the Board meeting to provide information regarding their Alzheimer’s clinical study. Dr. Jennifer Bizon and Dr. Ramon Sun presented an overview of the study, including its potential significance and impact on the citizens of Marion County. The presenters also responded to questions from the Trustees regarding the study.

INVESTMENT REPORT

New Business

Teresa Stephens opened the Investment Report.

Wilshire Overview – Jadon Milton provided Wilshire’s investment overview.

RFP 26-002: Alternative Investment Management Services – Following the August 31, 2026, RFP 26-002 workshop, during which oral presentations were provided by GCM Grosvenor, Commonfund, and Aksia, the trustees discussed the OCIO firms with Nathan Howes and Jadon Milton, including each firm’s qualifications and potential fit with MCHD’s needs. After discussion and consideration of the presentations, the trustees recommended moving forward with Commonfund as the OCIO provider for MCHD.

Teresa Stephens made a motion, seconded by Loretha Tolbert-Rich, to close out RFP 26-002 and move forward with Commonfund. With no further discussion or objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

Old Business

None.



OPERATIONS REPORT

Rusty Branson opened the Operations Report.

New Business

Balanced Scorecard Update Q3 – Crystal reviewed the Quarter 3 Balanced Scorecard update included in the board packet.

Resolution of Termination of Automobile Agreement with SMA – Kenneth (Mac) McKay discussed the proposed transfer of ownership to SMA of the vehicle leased by the Marion County Hospital District in 2023, which is now inoperable.

Teresa Stephens made a motion, seconded by Stephanie Harrell, to approve the transfer of title for the vehicle leased to SMA by the Marion County Hospital District to SMA. With no further discussion or objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

Legal:

Case Update – Kenneth (Mac) Mackay provided an update on two pending cases involving AdventHealth in which MCHD has been named as a party due to the Hospital District's ownership of the property.

Old Business

None.

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES REPORT

Stephanie Harrell opened the Strategic Initiatives Report.

New Business

Recovery Festival September 12, 2026 – The Recovery Festival will take place on September 12, 2026, at Tuscahill Park.

CHP Recognition Banquet September 10, 2026 – The CHP Recognition Banquet is being held on September 10, 2026, at 5:30 PM at the Mary Sue Rich Community Center.

FANS Garden Planting Dates – FANS Garden planting dates were provided in the board packet for any trustees who would like to attend a planting.



Quarterly Updates: Quarter 3 – Beacon Point, Health Projects, Match – The Quarter 3 updates for Beacon Point, Health Projects, and Match were provided for review in the board packet.

Old Business

None.

FINANCE REPORT

July 2026 Financials – Matt White reviewed the July 2026 financial statements, as presented in the board packet.

Harvey Vandeven made a motion, seconded by Teresa Stephens to approve the July 2026 financials. With no further discussion or objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

FANS Budget – Matt White shared that the fiscal year 26/27 budget for FANS was included in the board packet for review.

Teresa Stephens made a motion, seconded by Stephanie Harrell to approve the Fiscal Year 26/27 FANS Budget. With no further discussion or objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

Health Projects Budget – Matt White shared that the fiscal year 26/27 budget for Health Projects was included in the board packet for review.

Teresa Stephens made a motion, seconded by Stephanie Harrell to approve the Fiscal Year 26/27 Health Projects Budget. With no further discussion or objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

Beacon Point – Matt White shared that the fiscal year 26/27 budget for and Beacon Point was included in the board packet for review.

Teresa Stephens made a motion, seconded by Stephanie Harrell to approve the Fiscal Year 26/27 Beacon Point Budget. With no further discussion or objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

Old Business

None.

Rusty Branson adjourned the meeting at 6:39 PM.