

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF
PRIVATE SECURITY EXAMINERS**
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 19, 2024
Time: 12:00 PM
Location: LSBPSE Headquarters
15703 Old Hammond Hwy.
Baton Rouge, LA 70816

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Dynette Burke at 12:02 PM.

II. Roll Call

Vice Chairman Burke asked Julie Fisher to call the roll of the board.

Ritchie Rivers, Chairman	Not Present
Dynette Burke, Vice Chairman	Present
Forrest Hise	Present
Kristen Brennan	Present
Jason Robbins, Sr	Not Present
Jennifer King	Present
Mark Leto, Sr	Not Present
Dwayne Regan	Present
Lewis Frost	Present

A quorum of the board was determined.

Also present were Executive Secretary, Carl Saizan, Jr.; Scott Lazarone and Dana Armand, Board CPA; Blake Arcuri, Board Attorney; Kristine Ferachi, Court Reporter; members of agency staff Julie Fisher, Cindy Eidson, Stephanie Richardson, Heather

Mitchell, and Logan Berthelot; and members of the public Matthew Bailey, Lofton; Abbie St. Onge, Allied Universal; and Johny King, Pinkerton.

Ms. Julie Fisher recorded the meeting minutes. Ms. Kristine Ferachi recorded a transcript of the meeting.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chairman Burke lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Public Comments/Question

No public comments or questions were recorded at this time.

V. Review and Approve Minutes for Board Meeting on 9/25/24

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the board meeting on August 14, 2024.

Motion by:	Mr. Hise
Seconded by:	Mr. Regan
Ayes: 6	Nays: 0

The motion was carried.

VI. Executive Secretary Report

Executive Secretary Carl Saizan, Jr. presented his report to the board. The report covered many topics such as Thentia training, the marketing campaign, consent agreements, Instructor Conference, company owner round table discussions, and the Private Security Initiative in New Orleans. Please see Attachment A for full report.

VII. Committee Updates

- a. Finance Committee Update – Chairman Dynette Burke

Mr. Scott Lazarone from board CPA Faulk and Winkler updated the board on the current financial statements for October 2024 and answered questions.

b. Ethics Committee Update– Chairman Ritchie Rivers

No current investigations.

c. Legislative Committee Update – Chairman Forrest Hise

No updates at this time.

VIII. Consideration of New License Applications (Julie Fisher)

Ms. Fisher presented the pending license applications for final review and approval by the board.

- a. Company Applications:
 - i. Absolute Security Guards LLC – Carla Fowler
 - ii. Gideon Protective Solutions LLC – Charles Brackett
 - iii. Dawson Security & Investigations LLC – Kirby Dawson
 - iv. Anthony M Mitchell LLC – Anthony Mitchell
- b. Instructor Applications:
 - i. Anthony Monistere – Classroom In-House – Veteran Security Services
 - ii. Norman Bourque – Classroom In-House and External – Southern Defense and Security
 - iii. Chad Cox – Classroom, Firearms and Baton In-House – Valletta Industries
 - iv. David Flauss – Classroom In-House – Tectus Security Services

Ms. Fisher asked for a motion to approve the completed Classroom In-House Instructor application for Anthony Scott Monistere.

Motion by: Mr. Hise
Seconded by: Ms. Brennan
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

The motion was carried.

Ms. Fisher asked for a motion to approve the following incomplete Company License applications; Gideon Protective Solutions, LLC, Anthony M Mitchell LLC, Dawson Security & Investigations LLC, Absolute Security Guards LLC and Guardian Professional Security LLC, pending receipt and completion of outstanding application items, and to then give Executive Secretary Carl Saizan, Jr. the authority to issue the license once applications are completed.

Motion by: Mr. Hise
Seconded by: Ms. Burke
Ayes: 5 Abstain: 1 Nays: 0

The motion was carried. Kristin Brennan abstained from this vote due to a potential conflict of interest.

Ms. Fisher asked for a motion to approve the following incomplete Instructor License applications; David Flauss, Chad Cox, and Norman Bourque, pending receipt and completion of outstanding application items, and to then give Executive Secretary Carl Saizan, Jr. the authority to issue the license once applications are completed.

Motion by: Mr. Regan
Seconded by: Ms. Brennan
Ayes: 5 Abstain: 1 Nays: 0

The motion was carried. Dynette Burke abstained from this vote due to a potential conflict of interest.

IX. Approve board meeting dates for 2025

Proposed board meeting dates for 2025 are January 15, March 19, May 21, August 20, September 17 and November 19.

A motion was made to approve the proposed board meeting dates for 2025.

Motion by:	Mr. Regan
Seconded by:	Ms. King
Ayes: 6	Nays: 0

The motion was carried.

X. Executive Session (The Board may go into executive session to deliberate, pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17(A)(1), which allows the Board to go into executive session to discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person.)

- a. Consent agreement presented for approval regarding Mark Quimby, individually and/or doing business as Security Engineers, Inc. (PSE-20-CO-010)
- b. Consent agreement presented for approval regarding Durell Pellegrin, individually and/or doing business as Loomis (396)
- c. Consent agreement presented for approval regarding Shane Sears, individually and/or doing business as Sentinel Guard Services LLC (844)
- d. Consent agreement presented for approval regarding Natalie Dabdoub, individually and/or doing business as Custom Security Group dba Veteran Security Services (PSE-22-CO-006)
- e. Consent agreement presented for approval regarding Demarcus Webb, individually and/or doing business as E&E Security LLC (980)
- f. Consent agreement presented for approval regarding Charlie Ford, individually and/or doing business as Vision Quest Solutions, Inc. (PSE-

24-CO-001)

A motion was made to go into executive session.

Motion by: Mr. Hise
Seconded by: Ms. Brennan
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

The motion was passed.

Executive Session begins at 12:43 PM.

Open Session begins at 1:46 PM.

A motion was made to accept the consent agreements for Security Engineers, Inc., Loomis, Sentinel Guard Services LLC, and Custom Security Group dba Veteran Security Services as presented.

Motion by: Ms. King
Seconded by: Mr. Frost
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

The motion was passed.

A motion was made to accept the consent agreement for Vision Quest Solutions as presented.

Motion by: Ms. Burke
Seconded by: Mr. Robbins
Ayes: 5 Abstain:1 Nays: 0

The motion was passed. Forrest Hise abstained from this vote due to a potential conflict of interest

A motion was made to accept the fine amount and attorney's fees for the consent agreement with E&E Security LLC, but to change the payment schedule to a \$25,000 down payment and equal payments of the remainder for 12 months, and to stipulate that fine must be paid in full by the end of the probationary period.

Motion by: Mr. Frost

Seconded by: Ms. Brennan

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

The motion was passed.

XI. Adjournment

A motion was made adjourn.

Motion by: Mr. Frost

Seconded by: Mr. Hise

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

The motion was passed.

Vice Chairman Burke adjourned the meeting at 1:54 PM.

MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,

Julie Fisher

Secretary/Recording Secretary

11/13/24

Date

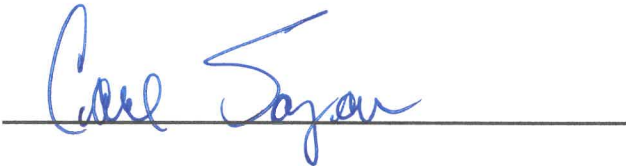
Minutes reviewed & approved by Board Member vote on November 19, 2024. Approval affirmed below by signatures of Board Chairman and Executive Secretary.



Ritchie Rivers, Board Chairman

11/18/24

Date



Carl F. Saizan, Jr., Executive Secretary

11-19-24

Date



LSBPSE Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 19, 2024 @ 12:00 p.m.

Executive Secretary's Briefing Notes

Staffing:

- We currently have 15 staff members: eight full-time, five WAEs, and two student workers.
- We are in the process of hiring another student worker, Jack Adamo (LSU MPA), to evaluate the progress and effectiveness of the Private Security Initiative in NOLA.

Processes:

- LSBPSE staff are well underway with their training and making recommendations for adjustments to the Thentia Cloud web solution being configured for our agency. Wayne Gonzales is coordinating with Image Trend to extract our data from that system and working with Thentia Cloud to configure the data for their solution so that we can seamlessly migrate our data.
- We initiated a marketing campaign on Monday, November 18, 2024, with BLARE Advertising and Digital Media Agency in the New Orleans and Baton Rouge areas to inform the public and business community of the licensing and registration requirements. The campaign will last four months and end in March 2025. We will evaluate its effectiveness and make recommendations for a similar campaign throughout the rest of the state.

Meetings:

- On Thursday, October 3, 2024, Heather Mitchell and I traveled to the New Orleans Sports Foundation, 320 Metairie-Hammond Hwy Ste #300, Metairie, LA 70005, to meet with Jay Cicero and William Dede to discuss the requirements for private contract security and elicit their assistance in informing the sports industry of these requirements.
- On Friday, October 4, 2024, I traveled to Blake Arcuri's law office, 1650 Poydras St., New Orleans, for an informal conference with Security Engineers.

- From October 8 through 11, 2024, Stephanie Richardson, Logan Berthelot, Dynette Burke, and I attended the IASIR Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina.
- On Thursday, October 17, 2024, I traveled to Blake's law office at 1650 Poydras St., NOLA, for three informal conferences: Loomis, Sentinel, and Custom Security Group.
- Our inaugural instructor conference was held at the Louisiana State Police Academy Auditorium on Monday, October 21, 2024.
- Heather Mitchell and I held a roundtable discussion with security company representatives in the Lake Charles area. The meeting was held at Troop D on Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 10:30 am.
- Heather Mitchell, Jake Adamo (LSU MPA Student), and I met with Karl Fassold, the Director of OPCD, Ross Bourgeois, the Director of the NO RTCC, and Chad Perez, owner of Pinnacle Security on Monday, November 18, 2024, to discuss the Private Security Initiative that will be implemented in the city of New Orleans.
- We did a mass mailout campaign to all company owners and legislators that included a letter from the Executive Director and the LSBPSE brochure which gave an overview of projects that have been completed and those that are being onboarded.

Board Counsel: (Blake Arcuri, General Counsel)

- On Thursday, November 14, 2024, Blake filed a civil injunction on Wilks Safety LLC, a/k/a Wilks Protection Services, out of Thibodeaux, LA, for failing to comply with a Cease-and-Desist Order
- On Friday, November 15, 2024, Blake filed a civil injunction on GDM Security for failing to comply with a Cease-and-Desist Order.
- On Friday, October 4, 2024, Blake Arcuri, Stephanie Richardson, and I had an informal conference with Mark Quimby, a representative for Security Engineers Inc. (PSE-20-CO-010), regarding a company audit conducted by the compliance unit. A consent agreement was reached and will be presented before the board today.
- On Thursday, October 17, 2024, Blake Arcuri, Stephanie Richardson, and I had three informal conferences with the following companies:
 - In person with Durell Peligrin, QA for Loomis, regarding a company audit conducted by the compliance unit. A consent agreement was reached and will be presented before the board today.
 - Via Teams with Shane Sears, owner of Sentinel Guard Services LLC (844), regarding a company audit conducted by the compliance unit. A consent agreement was reached and will be presented before the board today.
 - In person with Natalie Dabdoub, owner of Custom Security Group dba Veterans Security Services (PSE-22-CO-006), and her attorney, Doug Sunseri, regarding a company audit conducted by the compliance unit. A consent agreement was reached and will be presented before the board today.
- On Tuesday, October 15, 2024, Blake Arcuri, Stephanie Richardson, and I held a second informal conference via Teams with Demarcus Webb, owner of E & E Security LLC (980), and his attorney, Shaunacey Ridgeway. They were given additional time to provide documents to dispute the audit findings. After speaking with Ms. Ridgeway about scheduling a 3rd informal conference, she said that Mr. Webb was electing to forgo the 3rd informal conference and agreed to the audit findings. A consent agreement was prepared and will be presented before the board today.

- On November 11, 2024, Blake Arcuri and I had an informal conference via Teams with Charlie Ford, owner of Vision Quest Solutions Inc. (PSE-24-CO-001), regarding an investigation stemming from a complaint filed by Bedrock Protection Agency on November 29, 2023. A consent agreement was prepared and will be presented before the board today.

Legal Counsel: (Attorney Graham Bosworth, Collections Attorney)

Update: Blache's attorney has moved for a new trial. Bosworth needs to respond to the motion. He (Bosworth) indicates that it's procedurally defaulted and set for a hearing on December 13, 2024.

Board Ethics Committee: (Ethics Board Chair, Ritchie Rivers)

- Nothing to report.

Board Investigative Committee: (Board Chair, Ritchie Rivers)

- We have ten (1) open investigations.

Complaints / Investigations:

- Three (3) complaints were initiated between September 25, 2024 and November 19, 2024:
 - On Wednesday, October 16, 2024, Big Sam Protection Svc issued a Cease & Desist Order and Letter LLC is an unlicensed private security company based in Shreveport, Louisiana (case closed).
 - On Tuesday, October 22, 2024, a Cease & Desist Order and Letter were issued to Louisianimal Security LLC, an unlicensed private security company based in Houma, Louisiana (case closed).

Legislation:

- Nothing new to report.

Private Security Industry:

- Number of active, licensed companies to date: active- 231 and inactive- 205
- Number of registered instructors to date: classroom only-60 and classroom and firearms- 58
- Number of registered security officers to date: 15,454

Licenses issued since meeting on 9/25/24:

Companies: (2)

- ❖ Valletta Industries 10.1.24 PSE-24-CO-024
- ❖ Powell Executive Protection 10.1.24 PSE-24-CO-0025

Instructors: (11)

- ❖ Robert May – Classroom In-House 10.7.24 PSE-24-INST-017
- ❖ James Williams – Classroom & Firearms In-House 10.9.24 PSE-24-INST-018
- ❖ Gretchen Campesi – Classroom In-House 10.9.24 PSE-24-INST-019
- ❖ Thomas Brouillette – Classroom, Firearms & Baton In-House 10.9.24 PSE-24-INST-020

- ❖ Andrew Sitgreaves – Classroom In-House 10.28.24 PSE-24-INST-021
- ❖ David Sidders – Classroom In-House 10.28.24 PSE-24-INST-022
- ❖ Dane Sukimoto – Classroom In-House 11.4.24 PSE-24-INST-024
- ❖ Nicholas Tackett – Classroom In-House 11.4.24 PSE-24-INST-023
- ❖ Calvin Makornkran – Classroom In-House 11.4.24 PSE-24-INST-025
- ❖ Alexandria Alleva – Classroom In-House 11.4.24 PSE-24-INST-026
- ❖ Andrew Chin – Classroom In-House 11.4.24 PSE-24-INST-027

Compliance Unit: (Stephanie Richardson, Compliance Investigator 3)

- Companies (64) audited from September 25 to November 19, 2024:
 - Eagle-Hawk Premium Protection Services LLC
 - Professional Security Patrol Services LLC
 - Alamo Services, LLC
 - District Security, L.L.C.
 - Inner Parish Security Corporation
 - Crockett's Security Guard Service, LLC
 - First Class Protective Services LLC
 - Plant Security Inc
 - Healthcare Security Services, Inc.
 - Centerra Group, LLC
 - Huffmaster Crisis Response, Inc.
 - Gate Guard Services, L.P.
 - National Alliance Security Agency Inc
 - VRP Group, Inc., Vertus Regius
 - Rivers Security, LLC
 - Global Sector Services Inc
 - Summit Off Duty Services LLC
 - Special Response Corporation
 - Texas Public Safety and Investigations
 - Strategic Security Corp. of New York
 - AAY Security, LLC
 - DSI Security Services
 - Denali Universal Services, LLC
 - Global Security Corporation
 - St. Charles Professional Services LLC
 - Stratigos Dynamics Inc
 - Full Armor Security Guard Services LLC
 - Health and Safety Sciences, LLC
 - Security Safety & Consulting LLC
 - Dibenedetto Security, LLC
 - V.J. Rollo Security Services, Inc.
 - Rollo Security Services Inc.
 - Safety & Security Solutions, LLC D/B/A PLE Group
 - Guardian CPP, LLC
 - Securitas Security Services USA Inc.
 - North West Louisiana Security Service LLC
 - Prosegur Services Group Inc
 - NMS Security Services, LLC

Lott Gaming, Inc.
 Check Point Security LLC
 Retlo & Associates LLC
 Southern Guard Service, Inc.
 Scheuering Security Service, Inc.
 Security Solutions of America, a dba of S&S Management Group LLC
 Elite Sentry, Inc. D/B/A Sentry Security
 American Guard Services, Inc.
 Kingdom Security, LLC
 Grays Guardian Protective Services LLC
 Trek Security Service LLC
 Hub Enterprises LLC
 Securitas Security Services USA Inc.
 Fidelis Protective Services LLC
 Justice Securities, LLC
 Tiger Solutions Group LA LLC
 Archangel Protective Services INC
 J & B Security, LLC DBA Signal of Lafayette
 Louisiana Security Partners LLC DBA Signal of New Orleans
 Accel Protective Services, Inc.
 Feliciana Security Services LLC
 Dynamic Security, Inc.
 Job1USA, INC
 Liberty Defense Group LLC
 Premier Protection & Investigations LP
 Professional Security Consultants Inc

Post Check:

- On Thursday, November 4, 2024, I conducted one post-check at Mandina's Restaurant, 3800 Canal Street, in New Orleans, regarding a security guard working for Echelon Enforcement Agency who was believed to be unregistered. Additionally, it was discovered that the security company was operating without insurance and was issued a cease-and-desist order and letter.

Training:

- Logan Berthelot and David Ryerson, Retired LSP Lieutenant, have started the process of revising the first 8-hour LSBPSE training curriculum.

Facility Upgrades / Needs:

- Nothing to report.

Agency Audits:

- N/A

COOP Plan Overview:

- Completed / semi-annual review required.

ORM Claim Overview:

- Nothing to report.

OIG Update:

- Nothing to report.

Incident(s):

- Nothing to report