

Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists
4334 S. Sherwood Forest Blvd., Suite #C-150, Baton Rouge, LA 70816

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Friday, March 27, 2026

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Board Members Present: Matthew Holcomb, Ph.D., T. Shavaun Sam, Ph.D., Marc Zimmermann, Ph.D., and Adrienne Brennan, Ph.D. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Matthew Holcomb, Chair at 8:35 a.m.

Board Members Absent: Shawanda Woods-Smith, Psy.D.

Staff Present: Executive Director, Jaime T. Monic, Administrative Assistant, Jalyne Brown, and Executive Counsel Prosecuting Attorney, Courtney Newton

Guests - in person: Brett Valette, Ph.D., Kelley Pears

Guests - virtually: Stephanie Faust, Anna Mazur, Andrew May, John Simoneaux, Kim VanGeffen

B. DECLARATION OF PURPOSE:

Dr. Holcomb read the mission statement as follows, *"It is hereby declared that the creation of a state board of examiners of psychologists is necessary in order to safeguard life, health, property, and the public welfare of this state, and in order to protect the people of this state against unauthorized, unqualified, and improper application of psychology."*

C. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Dr. Zimmermann moved to approve the agenda as posted. Dr. Holcomb called for discussion and comments; hearing none, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

D. CONSENT AGENDA REVIEW LOG (11/17/2025 – 1/9/2026):

Dr. Holcomb called for the review and consideration of item removal from the Consent Agenda.

Motion: Dr. Holcomb moved to add a line item for Oral Examination Licensure recommendations of applicants and candidates who have completed all licensing requirements, including passing LSBEP's Jurisprudence and Oral Examinations (Board Conferral), to include a recommendation for Amy Marschall.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

Dr. Holcomb read aloud the Consent Agenda Items for affirmation, ratification, adoption, approval, and/or conferral as follows:

a. Minutes (Approval):

January 15-16, 2026

b. Financial Statements Received (Affirm and Ratify):

Monthly Financials: General Ledger, Balance Sheet, Budget vs. Actual, Profit & Loss for the months of December 2025 and January 2026
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c. Temporary Registrations Approved (Affirm and Ratify):

Name	State of Residence	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
WIERZCHOWSKI, Andrea	Texas	J. Monic	1/23/2026 Approved
MORAVEC, Norma	Texas	J. Monic	1/23/2026 Approved
BEAKEY, Michelle	California	J. Monic	1/27/2026 Approved
BRAUMAN, Dana	Texas	J. Monic	2/3/2026 Approved
BINGMAN, Andrew	Illinois	J. Monic	2/3/2026 Approved
PELTON, Dan	Colorado	J. Monic	2/6/2026 Approved
LeMARIE, Ashley	Texas	J. Monic	2/22/2026 Approved
PETOK, William	Maryland	J. Monic	2/22/2026 Approved
HARRIS, Paula	Texas	J. Monic	3/10/2026 Approved
LEWIS, Bess	Tennessee	J. Monic	3/10/2026 Approved
BENNETT, Sarah	District of Columbia	J. Monic	3/17/2026 Approved

d. Reviews: Supervised Practice Plan (Affirm and Ratify):

Applicant	Supervisor	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
CAHILL, Nathalie	Arielle Brown(Gerard)	M. Zimmermann	2/1/2026 Approved
RICHARD, Kaitlyn	Shay Burns	M. Zimmermann	3/9/2026 Approved
CHIASSON, Cyrus	Michael Major	S. Sam	3/10/2026 Approved

e. Reviews: Candidacy Status and issued Provisional Licensure (eligible for EPPP) (Affirm and Ratify):

Candidate	Supervisor	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
RIDGDELL, Kristen	Katie Ard	M. Zimmermann	1/15/2026 - Approved
JEFFERSON, Ashley	Marc Zimmermann	M. Holcomb	1/16/2026 - Approved

f. Reviews: Candidacy Status (eligible for EPPP) (Affirm and Ratify):

Candidate	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
none		

g. Reviews: Oral Examination Scheduling (Affirm and Ratify):

Candidate	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
DENIS-MACHADO, Christine	M. Zimmermann	1/15/2026 Approved – Invite for Oral Examination
PAWLEY, Angela	S. Sam	2/15/2026 Approved – Invite for Oral Examination
WITTENBERG, Alicia	S. Sam	2/15/2026 Approved – Invite for Oral Examination
PARKER-STRICKLIN, Ericka	M. Zimmermann	2/16/2026 Approved – Invite for Oral Examination
TALLANT, Catherine	M. Zimmermann	2/27/2026 Approved – Invite for Oral Examination
McClintock, Lauren	S. Sam	3/19/2026 Approved – Invite for Oral Examination

h. Reviews: Reciprocity for Face to Face Scheduling (Affirm and Ratify):

Candidate	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
DENIS-MACHADO, Christine	M. Zimmermann	1/15/2026 Approved - Invite for Face to Face
KOGAN, Cary	S. Sam	3/10/2026 Approved - Invite for Face to Face

License Reinstatements for Board conferral:

Name	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
none		

i. Reviews: Continuing Education (Affirm and Ratify):

Name	Review Type	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
HATHEWAY, Jana New Orleans Birmingham Psychoanalytic Center	Sponsor Application	M. Zimmermann	2/6/2026 Approved
BRAILEY, Kevin	CPD Preapproval	M. Zimmermann	2/6/2026 Approved
FULLER, Alexandra	CPD Preapproval	M. Zimmermann	2/6/2026 Approved
SOBESKY, Matthew	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	2/25/2026 Approved
DUFRENE, Melissa	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	2/25/2026 Approved
SILVERSTEIN, Madison	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	2/25/2026 Approved
BELL, Todd Michael	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	2/25/2026 Approved
BUBOLTZ, Walter Jr	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	2/25/2026 Approved
RICHARD, Phillip	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	3/8/2026 Approved
LURIA, Jeffry	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	3/8/2026 Approved
MORTON, Jane	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	3/8/2026 Approved
CHURCH, Frances	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	3/8/2026 Approved
AUCOIN, Katherine	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	3/9/2026 Approved
AUCOIN, Katherine	CPD Preapproval	T. Sam	3/9/2026 Approved

j. Respecializations of Licensed Psychologists:

Name	Respecialization Area	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
none			

k. LSSP Committee Recommendation for Licensure:

Name	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
SMITH, Pamela	LSSP Committee	3/4/2026 Recommended for LSSP
JACQUES, Mary	LSSP Committee	3/4/2026 Recommended for LSSP
CREEL, Amber	LSSP Committee	3/4/2026 Recommended for LSSP
LANCLOS, Rebecca	LSSP Committee	3/4/2026 Recommended for LSSP

l. Endorsement License Recommendations (Administrative Review)

Name	Reviewer	Date of review/Result
JACKSON, Yolanda	J. Monic	3/6/2026 Approved

m. Application for Registration of an Assistant to a Psychologist:

Primary Supervisor	ATAP NAME	Secondary Supervisors(S)	Date of review/Reviewer/Result
Franziska NoackLeSage	Courtney Stanley	Madeline Spearman Blocker	1/9/2026 Approved - J Monic
Kerry Lynn Jones Edge	Naysia Brunswick Jones		3/12/2026 Approved - J Monic
Jennifer Leigh Russell	Josie Savannah		3/11/2026 Approved - J Monic

Mandi Musso	Barbara Phillips		3/11/2026 Approved - M. Holcomb
David Richard Perkins	Whitney Storey		3/11/2026 Approved - J Monic

n. Applications Withdrawn:

Name	Date of Withdraw	Application Type	Notes
GRAD, Linda	1/30/2026	Temporary	Applicant Requested
PATEL, Sapna	1/30/2026	Temporary	Applicant Requested
HINSON, Cydney	2/19/2026	LSSP	Applicant Requested

o. Oral Examination Licensure recommendations of applicants and candidates who have completed all licensing requirements, including passing LSBEP's Jurisprudence and Oral Examinations (Board Conferral):

Name	Declared Specialty	Date of Examination	Examining Members
MARSCHALL, Amy	Clinical	2/6/2026	M. Holcomb; M. Zimmermann

**** FILE REVIEWS:** All file reviews are conducted independently.

Motion: Dr. Sam moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended and read. The Board discussed the motion. Dr. Holcomb called for public comments.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

Motion: Dr. Holcomb moved to take the agenda out of order due to the absence of Dr. Woods-Smith. The Board discussed the motion. Dr. Holcomb called for public comments.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes; Zimmermann – Yes; Brennan - Yes; Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion: Dr. Holcomb moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to LSA-R.S. 42:17.A(1) and 42:17A(4) to conduct oral examinations, file reviews, complaint reviews and personnel matters. The Board discussed the motion. Dr. Holcomb called for public comments.

Time: approximately 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

OPEN MEETING:

Motion: After resolving quorum issues regarding consideration of Dr. Brett Valette, Dr. Sam moved to exit Executive Session and open the meeting to discuss Dr. Brett Valette's application for licensure. The Board discussed the motion. Dr. Holcomb called for public comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Time: 12:20 p.m.

Motion Passed

File Review - Brett Valette, Ph.D. - Applicant Request for Open Meeting La R.S. 42:17.A(1) - Application for Licensed Psychologist. Dr. Valette presented his credentials to the Board and requested a documentation variance. The Board reviewed Dr. Valette's application file material.

Motion: Dr. Sam moved to accept the documentation submitted on behalf of Dr. Valette demonstrating completion of education and training requirements and invite him to complete the oral examination for licensure.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION (con't):

Motion: Dr. Holcomb moved to reenter Executive Session pursuant to LSA-R.S. 42:17.A(1) and 42:17A(4) to conduct oral examinations, file reviews, complaint reviews and personnel matters. The Board discussed the motion. Dr. Holcomb called for public comments.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Time: 1:26 p.m.

Motion Passed.

OPEN MEETING:

Motion: Dr. Sam moved to exit Executive Session and open the meeting. The Board discussed the motion. Dr. Holcomb called for public comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Time: 1:44 p.m.

Motion Passed

EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTIONS:

1. ORAL EXAMINATIONS [LSA-R.S. 42:17.A(1)]:

- a. **Catherine Lincy Tallant, Psy.D.**, appeared before Board Members, Drs. T. Shavaun Sam and Marc Zimmermann for an oral examination. The Board discussed **Dr. Tallant's** performance and qualifications in Executive Session.

Motion: Finding that **Dr. Tallant**, met the requirements for licensure, Dr. Zimmermann moved to grant **Dr. Tallant** a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Clinical Psychology. After opportunity for discussion of the motion, Dr. Holcomb called for public comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- b. **Alicia Roselyn Wittenberg, Ph.D.**, appeared before Board Members, Drs. Matthew Holcomb and Adrienne Brennan for an oral examination. The Board discussed **Dr. Wittenberg's** performance and qualifications in Executive Session.

Motion: Finding that **Dr. Wittenberg**, met the requirements for licensure, Dr. Holcomb moved to grant **Dr. Wittenberg** a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Clinical Psychology. After opportunity for discussion of the motion, Dr. Holcomb called for public comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- c. **Ericka Stephanie Stricklin-Parker, Psy.D.**, appeared before Board Members, Drs. T. Shavaun Sam and Marc Zimmermann for an oral examination. The Board discussed **Dr. Stricklin-Parker's** performance and qualifications in Executive Session.

Motion: Finding that **Dr. Stricklin-Parker**, met the requirements for licensure, Dr. Zimmermann moved to grant **Dr. Stricklin-Parker** a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in

Clinical Psychology. After opportunity for discussion of the motion, Dr. Holcomb called for public comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- d. **Lauren Patricia McClintock, Ph.D.**, appeared before Board Members, Drs. Matthew Holcomb and Adrienne Brennan for an oral examination. The Board discussed **Dr. McClintock's** performance and qualifications in Executive Session.
Motion: Finding that **Dr. McClintock**, met the requirements for licensure, Dr. Brennan moved to grant **Dr. McClintock** a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Clinical Psychology. After opportunity for discussion of the motion, Dr. Holcomb called for public comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote.
Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes
Motion Passed.
- e. **Andrew David May, Psy.D.**, appeared before Board Members, Drs. Matthew Holcomb and Adrienne Brennan for an oral examination. The Board discussed **Dr. Mays** performance and qualifications in Executive Session.
Motion: Finding that **Dr. May**, met the requirements for licensure, Dr. Brennan moved to grant **Dr. May** a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Clinical Psychology. After opportunity for discussion of the motion, Dr. Holcomb called for public comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote.
Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes
Motion Passed.
- f. **Peter Smith, Psy.D.**, appeared before Board Members, Drs. T. Shavaun Sam and Marc Zimmermann for an oral examination. The Board discussed **Dr. Smith's** performance and qualifications in Executive Session.
Motion: Finding that **Dr. Smith**, met the requirements for licensure, Dr. Zimmermann moved to grant **Dr. Smith** a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Clinical Psychology. After opportunity for discussion of the motion, Dr. Holcomb called for public comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote.
Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes
Motion Passed.
- g. **Christine Marie Machado-Denis, Psy.D.**, appeared before Board Members, Drs. Matthew Holcomb and Adrienne Brennan for licensure via Reciprocity as a Diplomat of the American Board of Professional Psychology. The Board discussed **Dr. Machado-Denis's** qualifications in Executive Session.
Motion: Finding that **Dr. Machado-Denis** met the requirements for licensure, Dr. Brennan moved to grant **Dr. Machado-Denis** a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Clinical Psychology. After opportunity for discussion of the motion, Dr. Holcomb called for public comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote.
Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes
Motion Passed.
- h. **Cary Samuel Kogan, Ph.D.**, appeared before Board Members, Drs. T. Shavaun Sam and Marc Zimmermann for an oral examination. The Board discussed **Dr. Kogan's** performance and qualifications in Executive Session.
Motion: Finding that **Dr. Kogan**, met the requirements for licensure, Dr. Zimmermann moved to grant **Dr. Kogan** a license to practice psychology with a declared specialty in Clinical Psychology. After

opportunity for discussion of the motion, Dr. Holcomb called for public comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

2. **SUPERVISION AND CREDENTIALS REVIEW COMMITTEE File Reviews [LSA-R.S. 42.17.A(1)]:**

- a. **Cyrus B. Chiasson, Psy.D.** - The Application for Provisional License of Dr. Chiasson was reviewed in Executive Session.

Motion: Dr. Sam moved to approve Dr. Chiasson's Candidacy Status and grant a Provisional License.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- b. **Mary A. Young, S.S.P.** - The Legacy Applicant for Licensed Specialist in School Psychology of Ms. Young was reviewed in Executive Session.

Motion: Dr. Sam moved to accept the recommendation of the Licensed Specialist in School Psychology (LSSP) Committee and grant licensure as an LSSP to Ms. Young.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- c. **Alison M. Poor, Ph.D.** - The Application for Licensed Psychologist via Endorsement for Dr. Poor was reviewed in Executive Session.

Motion: Dr. Zimmermann moved to confirm Dr. Poor's Candidacy Status and grant licensure via endorsement.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- d. **Michael Reid Cumberland, Psy.D.** - The Application for Registration of Assistant To A Psychologist of Dr. Cumberland under the primary supervision of Dr. Tina Dilem Wall Myers was reviewed in Executive Session.

Motion: Dr. Brennan moved to approve Dr. Cumberland as an ATAP to Dr. Tina Dilem Wall Myers.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

3. **COMPLAINTS [LSA-R.S.42.17.A(4)]:**

- a. **P23-24-07B** - Attorney Newton presented this case to the Board in Executive Session, and reported that following thorough investigation and consideration by the Complaints Committee, consisting of herself, Dr. Laura Brown and Dr. Shawanda Woods-Smith, the Respondent was offered and accepted an opportunity to participate in the Impaired Psychologist Procedure (IPP). The Board reviewed and considered the redacted evaluation and IPP Agreement.

Motion: Dr. Holcomb moved in favor of accepting the IPPA, with a contingency of adding a Peth Test; and requirement that the proposed provider be approved contingent on staff confirming the provider was qualified to treat trauma, substance abuse and provide a fit-for-duty determination. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- b. **P25-26-15C** - Attorney Newton presented this case to the Board in Executive Session, and reported that following thorough investigation and consideration, the Complaint Committee is recommending dismissal. **Motion:** Dr. Brennan moved in favor of accepting the recommendation to dismiss. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.
Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes
Motion Passed.
 - c. **P25-26-29C** - Attorney Newton presented this case to the Board in Executive Session, and reported that following thorough investigation and consideration, the Complaint Committee is recommending dismissal. **Motion:** Dr. Brennan moved in favor of accepting the recommendation to dismiss. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.
Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes
Motion Passed.
 - d. **NP25-26-33C** - Attorney Newton presented this case to the Board in Executive Session, and reported that following thorough investigation and consideration, the Complaint Committee is recommending dismissal. **Motion:** Dr. Zimmermann moved in favor of accepting the recommendation to dismiss. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.
Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes
Motion Passed.
 - e. **NP25-26-37C (Correction Complaint Number NP25-26-37C should read NP25-26-37B)** - Attorney Newton presented this case to the Board in Executive Session, and reported that following thorough investigation and consideration, the Complaint Committee is recommending dismissal. **Motion:** Dr. Zimmermann moved in favor of accepting the recommendation to dismiss. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.
Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann - Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes
Motion Passed.
4. **PERSONNEL MATTERS [LSA-R.S.42.17.A(1)]** - Dr. Holcomb requested that the record reflect personnel matters were not discussed during Executive Session; requested that it be placed on the next agenda.

G. COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

Due to time constraints, Committee and Liaison Reports were tabled until May 2026.

H. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Motion: Dr. Holcomb acknowledged individuals present, interested in hearing the Board's discussion regarding HB486 SPELL - PSYCHOLOGISTS (2026 Regular Legislative Session), and moved in favor of taking the agenda out of order to consider that topic.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

6.a. HB486 SPELL - PSYCHOLOGISTS (Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT))

Legislation - The Board discussed potential impacts of PSYPACT implementation on Board operations, including fiscal and administrative considerations. Ms. Monic reviewed a spreadsheet outlining mandates and potential impacts associated with the legislation. Major concerns discussed included the eventual costs of data integration, related information technology expenses, and increased staff burden.

Motion: Dr. Holcomb moved to empower the Legislative Committee to provide education to appropriate entities and individuals regarding HB486. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

1. **2026 Board Member Election (Term 2026-2031) - Status**

- a. **Jesse D. Lambert, PsyD, MP - Request to withdraw self-nomination** - Dr. Holcomb presented the request from Jesse D. Lambert, Psy.D., M.P., to withdraw his self-nomination from consideration for the 2026 Board Member Election.

Motion: Dr. Sam moved in favor of accepting Dr. Lambert's request to withdraw his self-nomination and reopen nominations period. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- b. **New Call for Nomination Period/ Election Period/Budget Approval** - The Board discussed opening a new call for nominations and election period for the 2026 Board Member Election.

Motion: Dr. Sam moved to amend the budget to increase election-related expenses by \$451.00 to cover the cost of opening a new nomination and election period. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

2. **Consideration of Payment for Invoice from Evelyn M. Oubre in the matter P23-24-08C** - The Board considered the request for payment of an invoice from Evelyn M. Oubre in the matter P23-24-08C.

Motion: Dr. Sam moved that the Board deny the request made by Ms. Oubre and respond to Ms. Oubre by letter as drafted. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

3. **CONTRACTS: (filing due 5/8/2026):**

- a. **Accounting Contract: Griffin and Furman LLC** – The Board considered a contract renewal for Griffin & Furman, LLC for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

Motion: Dr. Sam moved to adopt the Resolution approving the contract of Griffin & Furman, LLC for Fiscal Year 2026-27 in an amount not to exceed \$6,400. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- b. **Investigator Contract: Tony W. McCoy d/b/a Statewide Surveillance & Investigation, LLC** - The Board considered a contract renewal for Tony W. McCoy d/b/a Statewide Surveillance & Investigation, LLC for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

Motion: Dr. Sam moved to adopt the Resolution approving the contract of Tony W. McCoy d/b/a Statewide Surveillance & Investigation, LLC for Fiscal Year 2026-27 in an amount not to exceed \$12,000. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- c. **Complaint Coordinator III: Jennifer Russell** - The Board considered a contract renewal for Jennifer Russell for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

Motion: Dr. Holcomb moved to adopt the Resolution approving the contract of Jennifer Russell for Fiscal Year 2026-27 in an amount not to exceed \$15,000. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- d. **Complaint Coordinator II: Laura Brown** - The Board considered a contract renewal for Laura Brown for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

Motion: Dr. Holcomb moved to adopt the Resolution approving the contract of Laura Brown for Fiscal Year 2026-27 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- e. **Complaint Coordinator I: Vacant** - not considered

- f. **General Counsel: Taylor, Porter, Brooks & Phillips, LLC (Amy Lowe)** - The Board considered a contract renewal for general counsel services of Amy Groves Lowe, Taylor, Porter, Brooks & Phillips, LLP for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

Motion: Dr. Holcomb moved to adopt the Resolution approving the contract for Amy Groves Lowe, General Counsel with Taylor, Porter, Brooks & Phillips, LLP, including the requested fee increase consistent with Attorney General rates, the total amount not to exceed \$45,000. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- g. **Administrative Law Judge: Celia Cangelosi, Attorney at Law** - The Board considered a contract renewal for administrative law judge services of Celia Cangelosi, Attorney at Law for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

Motion: Dr. Sam moved to adopt the Resolution approving the contract for Celia Cangelosi, Attorney at Law, consistent with Attorney General rates, the total amount not to exceed \$12,000. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

- h. **Expert Witness: Donna Aucoin, Ph.D., M.P.** - The Board considered a contract renewal for expert witness services for Fiscal Year 2026-27. No Motion.

4. **BUDGET: Review Budget for current fiscal year 2025-26:**

- a. **Request for 2025-26 Contract Amendment to pay Griffin & Furman INV KIN-7847** –

Motion: Dr. Sam moved in favor of adopting by resolution an amendment to increase the contract amount for Griffin & Furman by \$28.47 for payment of Invoice KIN-7847. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Holcomb – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes

Motion Passed.

- b. **Request for 2025-26 Contract Amendment to pay Donna Aucoin INV Feb 2026** -

Motion: Dr. Sam moved in favor of adopting by resolution an amendment to increase the contract amount for Donna Aucoin by \$1,967 for payment of Invoice: FEB 2026. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Holcomb – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes
Motion Passed.

Motion: Facing the loss of a quorum, Dr. Holcomb moved that all items not discussed be placed on the next meeting agenda. Following opportunity for public comment, the motion was put to a vote.

Roll Call Vote: Sam – Yes, Zimmermann – Yes, Brennan – Yes, Holcomb – Yes

Motion Passed.

ADJOURNED: The Board lost quorum at 2:45 p.m. Dr. Holcomb noted no quorum and adjournment was called at 2:46 p.m.

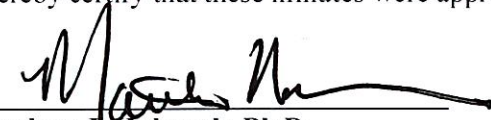
Respectfully Submitted,



Jaime T. Monic,
Executive Director

Certification of Approval:

I hereby certify that these minutes were approved by the Board of Directors at the meeting held on May 15, 2026.



Matthew J. Holcomb, Ph.D.
Chairperson
Date: 5/15/2026

LEGAL NOTICES:

LA R.S. 42:14.D. Public comments – In accordance with LA R.S. 42:14.D., the LSBEP shall allow public comments at any point in the meeting prior to action on an agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken. Individuals who wish to comment on a matter must sign in and state their intent to comment on a matter.

La. R.S. 44:33.1 - In compliance with La. R.S. 44:33.1, the LSBEP hereby gives notice that information submitted to the LSBEP may become public record pursuant to the provisions of Louisiana Public Records Law, La. R.S. 44:1, et seq.