

**LOUISIANA STATE RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY BOARD OF EXAMINERS
BUSINESS MEETING**

**Long Law Firm
1800 City Farms Drive, Building 6
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806**

January 8, 2026

**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
APPROVED**

1. CALL TO ORDER

First Vice-Chairman, Frederick Drouant, called the meeting to order at 11:06 am.

2. ROLL CALL

The following Board members were present:

Naveed Awan

Desiree Bell

Brent Boudreaux, MD

Frederick Drouant

Kirk Soileau

Jessica Soileau-Canning

Not in Attendance:

Robert Newsome, MD

Also in attendance:

Hollie Taranto, Executive Director, Lindsay Ruggles, Compliance Officer, and counsel Valerie Bargas and Sallie Dupont.

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the October 9, 2025, meeting had been previously circulated to the Board Members by email and were accepted as presented.

MOTION to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2025, meeting made by: N.
Awan

SECOND by: D. Bell

ACTION Voice Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial Review Committee: Kirk Soileau, Desiree Bell and Frederick Drouant. October, November, and December financials were emailed prior to the meeting. Thus far, October and November were all approved, as December was just circulated.

The Executive Director discussed the following financial reports:

- **Balance Sheet-Assets & Liabilities: July 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025**
- **Profit & Loss: July 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025**
- **Fiscal Year Comparison to Budget: July 1, 2025- December 31, 2025**

Discussion was held regarding reports and financial accounts. The Executive Director responded to questions posed by Board members. The legal services amendment request was discussed and deemed appropriate if needed at the April board meeting.

5. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

A. Verbal Report by Chairperson

A verbal report was given by the First Vice-Chairman. Additionally, 2025 Board member meeting attendance was presented.

6. LICENSURE

A. 2025 Renewal Data

The Executive Director provided an update on late 2025 renewals as of January 1st. There have been approximately 9 late renewals that have occurred since the October meeting.

B. License Statistics

The latest licensure statistics were reviewed as of January 1st, 2026, and an update was provided as to what is expected for the 2026 licensure renewal season.

7. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

A. Board Operations

The Board received updates on office operations including the following: website compliance, digital applications, and record retention. Board members were given a notice of 2026 annual training requirements, as well as a reminder about financial disclosures that need to be submitted.

B. Compliance

Complaint Codes

The Compliance Officer provided an update, discussing various complaint codes and informing the Board that eleven codes have been closed since the October meeting.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. LXMO

The Limited X-ray Machine Operator (LXMO) rule went into effect on January 1, 2026, with ARRT testing implemented through an executed contract. Under the grandfather clause, current PRTs who have completed approved training are eligible to transition to LXMOs, recognizing prior didactic qualifications and enabling an efficient pathway to LXMO status.

B. Board Appointments

There have been no new board appointments or reappointments at this time.

C. Rule Review

An update was provided on the current proposed Rule change for Professional language, procedures, and Fusion permits.

9. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss.

MOTION made to enter Executive session made by: K. Soileau

SECOND by: N. Awan

ACTION Voice Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION made to exit Executive session made by: N. Awan

SECOND by: D. Bell

ACTION Voice Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

11. Vote to Close Consent Orders

There were no items requiring a vote.

12. Next Meeting Dates

April 9, 2026

Future Meeting Dates

July 16, 2026

October 8, 2026

13. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Hollie Taranto, MBA, R.T.(R)(ARRT)

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Executive Director