

**LOUISIANA WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECOND INJURY BOARD
MINUTES**

*Louisiana Works
OWCA Conference Room, Fourth Floor, Annex Building
1001 North 23rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804
Thursday January 8, 2026 | 2:00 p.m. CT*

I. Call to Order

Mr. Charles Hansberry, Chair, called to order the regular meeting of the Louisiana Workers' Compensation Second Injury Board on January 8, 2026, at 2:02 p.m.

Present

Mr. Charles Hansberry, Chair, representing the Commissioner of Insurance

Ms. Kayla Kirby, representing the State Treasurer

Mr. Chip Coulter, representing the Secretary of State

Dr. Rebecca Hook, representing the Secretary of the Department of Children and Family Services

Mr. Brian Blackwood, Assistant Secretary of the Office of Worker's Compensation Administration

Absent

None.

Quorum was met.

Also, participating in the meeting were: Ms. Shana Shirley, SIB Director; Mr. Karl Scott, Assistant Attorney General; Ms. Ta-Tanisha Youngblood, Attorney; Ms. Devionne Butler, Attorney; Ms. Chandra Cola, Audit and Finance Supervisor; Ms. Shawndrika Moore, SIB Program Compliance Officer, Ms. Melissa Green, SIB Program Compliance Officer and Ms. Precious Ricks, SIB Recording Secretary.

II. Reading of minutes of previous meeting

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board unanimously voted to dispense with the reading of the December 4, 2025 meeting minutes.

III. Hearing Requests

24-0723 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company

On motion of Mr. Blackwood, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board unanimously denied the hearing request of the afore-listed claim.

IV. Amendment of the Agenda

On motion of Mr. Blackwood, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously voted to amend agenda number 3 by removing item 11 (Claim #24-0888) from the agenda resulting in 30 items that are recommended for payment remaining on the agenda.

V. Items 1 through 30 Recommended for Payment; Claim #24-0069 to Claim #25-0883

1. 24-0069 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
2. 24-0216 AIU Insurance Company (AIG)
3. 24-0543 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
4. 24-0546 University Medical Center Mgmt
5. 24-0630 Travelers Indemnity of America
6. 24-0788 City of Shreveport
7. 24-0789 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
8. 24-0841 Ochsner Hospital (Ochsner Clinic Foundation)
9. 24-0859 Iberia Parish School Board
10. 24-0871 LA Automobile Dealers Assn.
11. 24-0893 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
12. 24-0911 Gulf Island LLC
13. 24-0922 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
14. 25-0087 Travelers Property Casualty Company of America
15. 25-0096 Travelers Property Casualty Company of America
16. 25-0117 Safety National Casualty Corporation
17. 25-0127 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
18. 25-0243 LA Automobile Dealers Assn
19. 25-0248 Jefferson Parish Public School System
20. 25-0270 Lake Charles Memorial Hospital
21. 25-0325 City of New Orleans
22. 25-0332 Liberty Mutual Ins. Co.
23. 25-0549 Lafayette Parish School Board
24. 25-0577 Lafayette Parish School Board
25. 25-0663 LA Health Care- Self Ins. Fund
26. 25-0705 Eastern Alliance Insurance Co.
27. 25-0722 LA Construction & Industry SIF
28. 25-0728 St. Charles Parish School Board
29. 25-0834 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
30. 25-0883 LA Workers' Compensation Corp

On motion of Mr. Blackwood, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved payment of the afore-listed claims.

VI. Items 1 through 102 Recommended for Denial; Claim #21-0378 to Claim #25-0833

1. 21-0378 - Unknown
2. 22-0118 Zurich American Insurance Company
3. 23-0104 - Unknown
4. 24-0048 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
5. 24-0186 Zurich American Insurance Company
6. 24-0234 Arch Insurance Company
7. 24-0252 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
8. 24-0309 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
9. 24-0372 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
10. 24-0417 Office of Risk Management
11. 24-0420 XL Insurance America, Inc.
12. 24-0429 City of Natchitoches
13. 24-0438 Technology Insurance Company
14. 24-0441 LA Health Care- Self Ins. Fund
15. 24-0447 City of New Orleans
16. 24-0450 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
17. 24-0453 Travelers Indemnity Company
18. 24-0456 City of Shreveport
19. 24-0516 New Hampshire Insurance Company (AIG)
20. 24-0519 Star Insurance Company
21. 24-0522 - Unverified
22. 24-0528 Sentry Casualty Company
23. 24-0534 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
24. 24-0537 Zenith Insurance Company
25. 24-0558 - Unverified
26. 24-0564 Zurich American Insurance Company
27. 24-0567
28. 24-0570 Starr Indemnity & Liability Company
29. 24-0579 American Zurich Ins. Co.
30. 24-0582 LA Construction & Industry SIF
31. 24-0585 Travelers Property Casualty Company of America
32. 24-0591 Amtrust Ins. Co. of Kansas
33. 24-0594 Tulane University
34. 24-0600 Starr Indemnity & Liability Company
35. 24-0615 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
36. 24-0618 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
37. 24-0621 City of Natchitoches
38. 24-0624 XL Specialty Insurance Company
39. 24-0657 Star Insurance Company

40.	24-0663	Indemnity Ins. Co. of North America
41.	24-0666	Office of Risk Management
42.	24-0729	Jefferson Parish
43.	24-0764	LA Construction & Industry SIF
44.	24-0876	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
45.	24-0880	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
46.	24-0917	National Union Fire Insurance Company (AIG)
47.	25-0051	LA Construction & Industry SIF
48.	25-0069	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
49.	25-0070	LA Automobile Dealers Assn.
50.	25-0071	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
51.	25-0074	Old Republic General Ins. Co.
52.	25-0083	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
53.	25-0085	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
54.	25-0089	Office of Risk Management
55.	25-0091	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
56.	25-0095	- Unverified
57.	25-0097	Travelers Indemnity Company
58.	25-0099	American Zurich Ins. Co.
59.	25-0102	- Unknown
60.	25-0103	Ochsner Clinic
61.	25-0104	LA Construction & Industry SIF
62.	25-0107	Rapides Parish School Board
63.	25-0110	Jefferson Parish Public School System
64.	25-0111	Jefferson Parish Public School System
65.	25-0114	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
66.	25-0116	Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc
67.	25-0122	LA Automobile Dealers Assn.
68.	25-0125	Jefferson Parish
69.	25-0128	Starr Indemnity & Liability Company
70.	25-0133	Ace American Ins. Co
71.	25-0142	Jefferson Parish Public School System
72.	25-0145	Children's Hospital
73.	25-0149	Plaquemines Parish Government
74.	25-0150	Travelers Casualty & Surety Co.
75.	25-0160	Safety First Insurance Company
76.	25-0164	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
77.	25-0166	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
78.	25-0168	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
79.	25-0172	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
80.	25-0179	Brookshire Grocery Company
81.	25-0221	- Unverified
82.	25-0279	Great American Insurance Company
83.	25-0294	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company

84.	25-0315	Office of Risk Management
85.	25-0324	LA Health Care- Self Ins. Fund
86.	25-0326	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
87.	25-0374	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
88.	25-0380	- Unverified
89.	25-0430	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
90.	25-0435	City of Alexandria
91.	25-0452	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
92.	25-0453	- Unverified
93.	25-0460	- Unverified
94.	25-0480	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
95.	25-0486	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
96.	25-0488	Louisiana Restaurant Association
97.	25-0513	- Unverified
98.	25-0600	United States Fire Insurance Company
99.	25-0620	City of Opelousas
100.	25-0656	City of New Orleans
101.	25-0697	City of New Orleans
102.	25-0833	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.

On motion of Mr. Blackwood, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously denied payment of the afore-listed claims.

VII. Recommended for Approval of Partial Payments Due: Claim #03-1042 to Claim #99-0779

Staff recommended payment of 158 partial payments in the total amount of \$2,425,619.08 for Claim #03-1042 to Claim #99-0779.

On motion of Mr. Blackwood, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved partial payments in the total amount of \$2,425,619.08 for 158 claims (Claim #03-1042 to Claim #99-0779).

VIII. Recommended for Approval of Quarterly Payments Due: Claim #17-0054 to Claim #97-1150

Staff recommended payment of 52 quarterly payments in the total amount of \$839,838.29 for Claim #17-0054 to Claim #97-1150.

On motion of Mr. Blackwood, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved quarterly payments in the total amount of \$839,838.29 for 52 claims (Claim #17-0054 to Claim #97-1150).

IX. Public Comments

None.

X. Executive Session - Discussion concerning Second Injury Board Litigation & Settlements

On motion of Mr. Blackwood, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board entered into Executive Session.

The Board concluded Executive Session and reconvened into its regular meeting.

XI. Recommendation for Review of Settlements

A. Staff recommended settlement to be reimbursed on a quarterly basis of the following 13 claims:

1. 15-0029
2. 17-0752
3. 21-0798
4. 21-0915
5. 23-0391
6. 23-0411
7. 23-0462
8. 23-0893
9. 24-0090
10. 24-0451
11. 24-0532
12. 24-0725
13. 25-0129

On motion of Mr. Blackwood, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved payment of the afore-listed 13 claims for settlement to be reimbursed on a quarterly basis.

B. Staff recommended that reimbursement continue on an ongoing basis for the following claim:

1. 23-0332

On motion of Mr. Blackwood, seconded by Ms. Kirby the Board unanimously approved the continuation of the afore-listed claim for settlement to be reimbursed on an ongoing basis.

XII. Second Injury Board Litigation

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board unanimously authorized legal counsel to proceed in the manner noted for the following claims that are currently in litigation:

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| 1. | 19-0400 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 2. | 21-0781 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 3. | 21-5224 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 4. | 21-8481 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 5. | 22-0934 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 6. | 24-0405 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 7. | 24-0525 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 8. | 24-0643 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 9. | 24-0715 | Settlement Authority granted |

XIII. Any other matters requiring attention

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2026.

XIV. Adjournment

On motion of Mr. Blackwood, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the meeting was adjourned at 2:26 p.m.