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 October 2, 2025 | 2:00 p.m. CT

I. <u>Call to Order</u>

Mr. Charles Hansberry, Chair, called to order the regular meeting of the Louisiana Workers' Compensation Second Injury Board on October 2, 2025, at 2:03 p.m.

Present

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

Ms. Kayla Kirby, representing the State Treasurer

Mr. Chris Kirby, 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

Mr. Chip Coulter, representing the Secretary of State

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. Tamara Hardnett, SIB Program Compliance Supervisor; Ms. Melissa Green, SIB Program Compliance Officer; Ms. Shawndrika Moore, SIB Program Compliance Officer, and Ms. Precious Ricks, SIB Recording Secretary.

II. Reading of minutes of previous meeting

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

III. Hearing Requests

24-0405 AIU Insurance Company (AIG)

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

IV. Items 1 through 14 Recommended for Payment; Claim #24-0351 to Claim #25-0579

Staff recommended payment of following 14 claims:

1.	24-0351	LA Construction & Industry SIF
2.	24-0536	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
3.	24-0644	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
4.	24-0655	City of New Orleans
5.	24-0803	Lafayette Parish School Board
6.	24-0826	City of New Orleans
7.	24-0842	Lafayette Parish School Board
8.	24-0862	Touro Infirmary
9.	24-0886	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
10.	24-0919	Old Republic Insurance Company
11.	25-0156	American Casualty of Reading, PA
12.	25-0180	Retailers Casualty Insurance Company
13.	25-0193	LA Construction & Industry SIF
14.	25-0579	Lafayette Parish School Board

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

V. <u>Items 1 through 63 Recommended for Denial; Claim #24-0102 to Claim #25-0529</u>

Staff recommended denial of the following 63 claims:

1.	24-0102	Bridgefield Casualty Insurance Company
2.	24-0225	LA Construction & Industry SIF
3.	24-0246	Bridgefield Casualty Insurance Company
4.	24-0270	AIU Insurance Company (AIG)
5.	24-0273	Old Republic Insurance Company
6.	24-0297	Old Republic General Ins. Co.
7.	24-0327	Travelers Property Casualty Company of America
8.	24-0336	LA Children's Medical Center (LCMC Health)
9.	24-0342	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
10.	24-0354	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
11.	24-0357	LA Health Care- Self Ins. Fund
12.	24-0369	LA Health Care-Self Ins. Fund
13.	24-0375	Retailers Casualty Insurance Company
14.	24-0402	- Unverified
15.	24-0525	Great American Alliance Insurance Company
16.	24-0541	LA Municipal Risk Mgmt. Agency
17.	24-0555	LA Health Care- Self Ins. Fund
18.	24-0605	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.

19.	24-0638	LA Automobile Dealers Assn.
20.	24-0641	Retailers Casualty Insurance Company
21.	24-0645	Argonaut Insurance Group
22.	24-0653	LA Automobile Dealers Assn.
23.	24-0677	Gray Insurance Company
24.	24-0728	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
25.	24-0835	- Unverified
26.	24-0844	LA Health Care- Self Ins. Fund
27.	24-0856	Lafayette Consolidated Government
28.	24-0863	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
29.	24-0868	LA Automobile Dealers Assn.
30.	24-0874	Manufacturers Alliance Insurance Co.
31.	24-0877	Zurich American Ins. Co. of Illinois
32.	24-0883	Starr Indemnity & Liability Company
33.	24-0889	Travelers Indemnity Company of Connecticut
34.	24-0891	Louisiana Hospital Association
35.	24-0892	Louisiana Hospital Association
36.	24-0895	Indemnity Ins. Co. of North America
37.	24-0898	- Unverified
38.	24-0901	Bridgefield Casualty Insurance Company
39.	25-0006	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
40.	25-0039	LA Automobile Dealers Assn.
41.	25-0084	City of New Orleans
42.	25-0093	- Unverified
43.	25-0171	Valero Services, Inc.
44.	25-0182	Midwest Employers Casualty Company
45.	25-0184	City of New Orleans
46.	25-0207	Ace American Ins. Co
47.	25-0242	Louisiana Hospital Association
48.	25-0245	Regional Transit Authority
49.	25-0249	North Oaks Medical Center
50.	25-0263	Office of Risk Management
51.	25-0277	Monroe City School Board
52.	25-0278	Bridgefield Casualty Insurance Company
53.	25-0338	Liberty Mutual Ins. Co.
54.	25-0345	- Unverified
55.	25-0386	Willis-Knighton Medical Center
56.	25-0389	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
57.	25-0408	LA Home Builders Assn SIF
58.	25-0409	City of Kenner
59.	25-0433	Terrebonne Parish Cons. Government
60.	25-0437	Louisiana Hospital Association
61.	25-0501	LA Home Builders Assn SIF
62.	25-0519	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company

63. 25-0529 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company

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

VI. Recommended for Approval of Partial Payments Due: Claim #02-0814 to Claim #93-0023

Staff recommended payment of 79 partial payments in the total amount of \$2,549,937.67 for Claim #02-0814 to Claim #93-0023.

On motion of Mr. Kirby, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved partial payments in the total amount of \$2,549,937.67 for 79 claims (Claim #02-0814 to Claim #93-0023).

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

Staff recommended payment of 53 quarterly payments in the total amount of \$661,753.63 for Claim #17-0054 to Claim #97-1150.

On motion of Mr. Kirby, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved quarterly payments in the total amount of \$884,475.78 for 53 claims (Claim #17-0054 to Claim #97-1150).

VIII. Public Comments

None.

IX. <u>Executive Session - Discussion concerning Second Injury Board Litigation & Settlements</u>

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

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

X. Recommendation for Review of Settlements

- A. Staff recommended settlement to be reimbursed on a quarterly basis of the following 12 claims:
 - 1. 05-0177
 - 2. 19-0963
 - 3. 23-0231

- 4. 23-0430
- 5. 23-0594
- 6. 23-0696
- 7. 23-0722
- 8. 23-0727
- 9. 24-0597
- 10. 25-0041
- 11. 25-0512
- 12. 96-0085

On motion of Mr. Kirby, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved payment of the afore-listed 12 claims for settlement to be reimbursed on a quarterly basis.

- B. Staff recommended that reimbursement continue on an ongoing basis for the following four claims:
 - 1. 17-0693
 - 2. 17-0856
 - 3. 21-0438
 - 4. 24-0231

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

XI. Second Injury Board Litigation

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

1.	20-0096	Settlement Authority granted
2.	20-0733	Settlement Authority granted
3.	21-0842	Settlement Authority granted
4.	22-0076	Settlement Authority granted
5.	22-0619	Settlement Authority granted
6.	22-0954	Settlement Authority granted
7.	23-0665	Settlement Authority granted
8.	23-0780	Settlement Authority granted
9.	24-0111	Settlement Authority granted
10.	24-0139	Settlement Authority granted
11.	24-0226	Settlement Authority granted
12.	24-0428	Settlement Authority granted

Mr. Blackwood abstained from voting on claim numbers 24-0111 and 24-0428.

XII. Any other matters requiring attention

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 6, 2025.

XIII. Adjournment

On motion of Mr. Kirby, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m.