LOUISIANA WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECOND INJURY BOARD MINUTES

Louisiana Workforce Commission Executive Conference Room, First Floor, Annex Building 1001 North 23rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804 Thursday September 4, 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 September 4, 2025, at 2:01 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

Absent

Mr. Chip Coulter, representing the Secretary of State

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

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, SIB Audit & Finance Supervisor; 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 August 7, 2025 meeting minutes.

III. Hearing Requests

None.

IV. Items 1 through 18 Recommended for Payment; Claim #24-0542 to Claim #25-0536

Staff recommended payment of following 18 claims:

1.	24-0542	Iberia Parish School Board
2.	24-0626	LA Automobile Dealers Assn.
3.	24-0642	Bridgefield Casualty Insurance Company
4.	24-0712	St. Martin Parish School Board
5.	24-0831	Lafayette Parish School Board
6.	25-0011	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
7.	25-0017	LA Automobile Dealers Assn.
8.	25-0077	Liberty Mutual Ins. Co.
9.	25-0100	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
10.	25-0146	LA Health Care-Self Ins. Fund
11.	25-0246	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
12.	25-0272	Lafayette Parish School Board
13.	25-0309	LA Health Care-Self Ins. Fund
14.	25-0360	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
15.	25-0382	American Liberty Insurance Company
16.	25-0424	St. Martin Parish School Board
17.	25-0512	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
18.	25-0536	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.

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

Items 1 through 55 Recommended for Denial; Claim #24-0485 to Claim #25-0370

Staff recommended denial of the following 55 claims:

1.	24-0485	Farmington Casualty Company
2.	24-0488	Jefferson Parish
3.	24-0494	Travelers Property Casualty Company of America
4.	24-0497	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
5.	24-0506	LA Construction & Industry SIF
6.	24-0509	Louisiana Hospital Association
7.	24-0533	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
8.	24-0539	Indemnity Ins. Co. of North America
9.	24-0551	Safety National Casualty Corporation
10.	24-0566	- Unverified
11.	24-0569	Starr Indemnity & Liability Company
12.	24-0572	- Unverified

13.	24-0581	- Unknown
14.	24-0593	City of Lake Charles
15.	24-0596	Travelers Casualty & Surety Co.
16.	24-0599	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
17.	24-0608	Jefferson Parish Public School System
18.	24-0611	Jefferson Parish Public School System
19.	24-0617	City of Lake Charles
20.	24-0623	Office of Risk Management
21.	24-0629	West Feliciana Parish School Board
22.	24-0635	Coca-Cola Bottling Company United
23.	24-0647	Woman's Hospital
24.	24-0650	Jefferson Parish
25.	24-0659	Amtrust Ins. Co. of Kansas
26.	24-0662	AIU Insurance Company (AIG)
27.	24-0668	Travelers Property Casualty Company of America
28.	24-0671	Travelers Property Casualty Company of America
29.	24-0680	Argonaut Insurance Group
30.	24-0683	City of Lake Charles
31.	24-0686	Retailers Casualty Insurance Company
32.	24-0695	- Unverified
33.	24-0769	Safety National Casualty Corporation
34.	24-0772	- Unverified
35.	24-0778	Stonetrust Commercial Ins. Co.
36.	24-0784	Wal-Mart Associates, Inc.
37.	24-0799	AIU Insurance Company (AIG)
38.	24-0808	Lafayette Parish School Board
39.	24-0814	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
40.	24-0823	- Unverified
41.	24-0825	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
42.	24-0832	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
43.	24-0904	- Unverified
44.	25-0032	AIU Insurance Company (AIG)
45.	25-0050	City of Shreveport
46.	25-0072	Ace American Ins. Co
47.	25-0081	North River Insurance Co., The
48.	25-0109	Jefferson Parish Public School System
49.	25-0112	LA Health Care-Self Ins. Fund
50.	25-0186	Jefferson Parish Public School System
51.	25-0218	LA Automobile Dealers Assn.
52.	25-0228	Ace American Ins. Co
53.	25-0287	Jefferson Parish Public School System
54.	25-0328	Jefferson Parish
55.	25-0370	East Jefferson General Hospital.

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

V. Recommended for Approval of Partial Payments Due: Claim #04-0058 to Claim #97-0851

Staff recommended payment of 78 partial payments in the total amount of \$2,130,444.37 for Claim #04-0058 to Claim #97-0851.

On motion of Mr. Kirby, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved partial payments in the total amount of \$2,130,444.37 for 78 claims (Claim #04-0058 to Claim #97-0851).

VI. Recommended for Approval of Quarterly Payments Due: Claim #17-0469 to Claim #22-0373

Staff recommended payment of 26 quarterly payments in the total amount of \$661,753.63 for Claim #17-0469 to Claim #22-0373.

On motion of Mr. Kirby, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved quarterly payments in the total amount of \$511,023.60 for 26 claims (Claim #17-0469 to Claim #22-0373).

VII. Public Comments

None.

VIII. <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.

IX. Recommendation for Review of Settlements

- A. Staff recommended settlement to be reimbursed on a quarterly basis of the following 14claims:
 - 1. 20-0082
 - 2. 20-0662
 - 3. 20-0987
 - 4. 21-0674
 - 5. 22-0844

- 6. 22-0890
- 7. 23-0056
- 8. 23-0106
- 9. 23-0395
- 10. 24-0120
- 11. 24-0177
- 12. 24-0550
- 13. 24-0554
- 14. 24-0561.

On motion of Mr. Kirby, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved payment of the afore-listed 14 claims for settlement to be reimbursed on a quarterly basis.

- B. Staff recommended that reimbursement continue on an ongoing basis for the following three claims:
 - 1. 23-0580
 - 2. 24-0230
 - 3. 24-0563.

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

X. 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.	20-0719	Settlement Authority granted
2.	21-0492	Settlement Authority granted
3.	21-0550	Settlement Authority granted
4.	21-0589	Settlement Authority granted
5.	21-0915	Settlement Authority granted
6.	22-0131	Settlement Authority granted
7.	22-0260	Settlement Authority granted
8.	22-0318	Settlement Authority granted
9.	22-0691	Settlement Authority granted
10.	23-0003	Settlement Authority granted
11.	23-0319	Settlement Authority granted
12.	23-0332	Settlement Authority granted
13.	23-0373	Settlement Authority granted.

XI. Any other matters requiring attention:

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 2, 2025.

XII. Adjournment

On motion of Mr. Kirby, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the meeting was adjourned at 2:28p.m.