

**LOUISIANA WORKS OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION  
SECOND INJURY BOARD  
MINUTES**

*Louisiana Works  
1001 North 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804  
Thursday August 6, 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 August 6, 2026, at 2:03 p.m.

**Present**

Mr. Charles Hansberry, representing the Commissioner of Insurance

Ms. Bobbie Scott, representing the State Treasurer

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

**Absent**

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

Mr. Chip Coulter, representing the Secretary of State

Quorum was met.

Also, participating in the meeting were: Ms. Shana Shirley, SIB Director; Ms. Tanisha Youngblood, Attorney; Ms. Devionne Butler, Attorney; Mr. Karl Scott, Attorney; Ms. Tamara Hardnett, SIB Program Compliance Supervisor; Ms. Chandra Cola, Audit and Finance Supervisor; and Ms. Melissa Green, SIB Program Compliance Officer.

**II. Reading of minutes of previous meeting**

On motion of Ms. Scott, seconded by Dr. Hook, the Board unanimously voted to dispense with the reading of the July 9, 2026 meeting minutes.

**III. Hearing Request**

A hearing request was received regarding Claim #25-0615 (Assurance Company AIG).

On motion of Ms. Scott, seconded by Dr. Hook, the Board unanimously denied the hearing request of the afore-listed claim.

**IV. Items 1 through 25 Recommended for Payment; Claim #25-0105 to Claim #26-0222**

Staff recommended payment of the following claims:

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| 1.  | 25-0105 | Trumbull Insurance Company                   |
| 2.  | 25-0335 | LA Workers' Compensation Corp.               |
| 3.  | 25-0457 | Penn Entertainment                           |
| 4.  | 25-0515 | Ace American Ins. Co                         |
| 5.  | 25-0572 | Louisiana Restaurant Association             |
| 6.  | 25-0573 | Louisiana Restaurant Association             |
| 7.  | 25-0575 | LA Workers' Compensation Corp.               |
| 8.  | 25-0586 | LA Construction & Industry SIF               |
| 9.  | 25-0613 | Ochsner Clinic                               |
| 10. | 25-0628 | Accident Fund Ins. Co. of America            |
| 11. | 25-0644 | City of New Orleans                          |
| 12. | 25-0689 | LA Construction & Industry SIF               |
| 13. | 25-0693 | Great American Alliance Insurance Company    |
| 14. | 25-0694 | St. Bernard Parish School Board              |
| 15. | 25-0744 | Norguard Insurance Company                   |
| 16. | 25-0809 | LAC-Self-Insured Fund                        |
| 17. | 25-0839 | Louisiana Hospital Association               |
| 18. | 25-0873 | LA Workers' Compensation Corp.               |
| 19. | 26-0021 | City of Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish |
| 20. | 26-0025 | Roman Catholic Church of New Orleans         |
| 21. | 26-0089 | Office of Risk Management                    |
| 22. | 26-0100 | LA Workers' Compensation Corp.               |
| 23. | 26-0203 | LA Workers' Compensation Corp.               |
| 24. | 26-0221 | City of New Orleans                          |
| 25. | 26-0222 | City of New Orleans                          |

On motion of Ms. Scott, seconded by Dr. Hook, the Board unanimously approved payment of the afore-listed claims.

**V. Items 1 through 56 Recommended for Denial; Claim #24-0771 to Claim #26-0370**

Staff recommended denial of the following claims:

1. 24-0771 Terrebonne Parish School Board
2. 25-0355 - Unverified
3. 25-0365 Indemnity Ins. Co. of North America
4. 25-0463 AIG Assurance Company (AIG)
5. 25-0531 Arch Insurance Company
6. 25-0533 Office of Risk Management
7. 25-0562 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
8. 25-0563 Great American Alliance Insurance Company
9. 25-0564 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
10. 25-0565 Wal-Mart Associates, Inc.
11. 25-0567 Ace American Ins. Co
12. 25-0587 LA Construction & Industry SIF
13. 25-0589 Arch Insurance Company
14. 25-0590 Farmington Casualty Company
15. 25-0591 Star Insurance Company
16. 25-0595 Travelers Property Casualty Company of America
17. 25-0605 LA Construction & Industry SIF
18. 25-0607 Safety National Casualty Corporation
19. 25-0680 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
20. 25-0682 Jefferson Parish Public School System
21. 25-0684 City of New Orleans
22. 25-0686 Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc
23. 25-0688 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
24. 25-0690 Travelers Property Casualty Company of America
25. 25-0692 Old Republic Insurance Company
26. 25-0698 Jefferson Parish
27. 25-0702 Indemnity Ins. Co. of North America
28. 25-0704 Greenwich Insurance Company
29. 25-0712 Iberia Parish School Board
30. 25-0714 Jefferson Parish Public School System
31. 25-0724 Star Insurance Company
32. 25-0726 Wal-Mart Associates, Inc.
33. 25-0732 Calcasieu Parish School Board

- 34. 25-0734 LA Health Care- Self Ins. Fund
- 35. 25-0736 LA Children's Medical Center (LCMC Health)
- 36. 25-0738 Jefferson Parish
- 37. 25-0740 Bridgefield Casualty Insurance Company
- 38. 25-0750 AIU Insurance Company (AIG)
- 39. 25-0754 LA Construction & Industry SIF
- 40. 25-0756 City of New Orleans
- 41. 25-0758 Louisiana Restaurant Association
- 42. 25-0776 LA Construction & Industry SIF
- 43. 25-0785 Argonaut Insurance Group
- 44. 25-0795 Jefferson Parish Public School System
- 45. 25-0853 Great American Insurance Company
- 46. 25-0855 Praetorian Insurance Company
- 47. 26-0010 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
- 48. 26-0076 - Unverified
- 49. 26-0102 - Unverified
- 50. 26-0124 Office of Risk Management
- 51. 26-0136 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
- 52. 26-0162 Sentry Casualty Company
- 53. 26-0196 Office of Risk Management
- 54. 26-0266 LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
- 55. 26-0285 Office of Risk Management
- 56. 26-0370 LA Workers' Compensation Corp.

On motion of Ms. Scott, seconded by Dr. Hook, the Board unanimously denied payment of the afore-listed claims.

**VI. Recommended for Approval of Partial Payments Due (167): Claim #05-0664 to Claim #98-1194**

Staff recommended partial payments for 167 claims (Claim #05-0664 to Claim #98-1194) in the total amount of \$2,315,400.43.

On motion of Ms. Scott, seconded by Dr. Hook, the Board unanimously approved partial payments in the total amount of \$2,315,400.43 for 167 claims (Claim #05-0664 to Claim #98-1194).

**VII. Recommended for Approval of Quarterly Payments Due (26): Claim #18-0169 to Claim #23-0623**

Staff recommended quarterly payments for 26 claims (Claim #18-0169 to Claim #23-0623) in the total amount of \$514,358.59.

On motion of Ms. Scott, seconded by Dr. Hook, the Board unanimously approved quarterly payments in the total amount of \$514,358.59 for 26 claims (Claim #18-0169 to Claim #23-0623).

**VIII. Public Comments**

None.

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

On motion of Ms. Scott, seconded by Dr. Hook, 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. 08-0518
2. 19-0963
3. 21-0558
4. 23-0497
5. 23-0525
6. 23-0883
7. 24-0024
8. 24-0271
9. 24-0334
10. 24-0635
11. 25-0148
12. 25-0699.

On motion of Ms. Scott, seconded by Dr. Hook, 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. 07-0886
2. 16-0754
3. 24-0134
4. 24-0740.

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

#### **XI. Second Injury Board Litigation**

On motion of Ms. Scott, seconded by Dr. Hook, 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.  | 18-0197 | Settlement Authority granted  |
| 2.  | 20-0586 | Settlement Authority granted  |
| 3.  | 22-0830 | Settlement Authority granted  |
| 4.  | 23-0062 | Continued Litigation          |
| 5.  | 23-0707 | Settlement Authority granted  |
| 6.  | 23-0805 | Settlement Authority granted  |
| 7.  | 24-0274 | Settlement Authority granted  |
| 8.  | 24-0582 | Settlement Authority granted  |
| 9.  | 24-0764 | Settlement Authority granted  |
| 10. | 25-0031 | Settlement Authority granted. |

#### **XII. Any other matters requiring attention**

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 10, 2026.

**XIII. Adjournment**

On motion of Ms. Scott, seconded by Dr. Hook, the meeting was adjourned at 2:28 p.m.