



LSBPSE Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 19th, 2024 @ 12:00 p.m.

**LSBPSE Headquarters
15703 Old Hammond Highway
Baton Rouge, LA 70816**

Meeting Agenda

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Public Comments/Questions**
- 5. Review and Approve Minutes for Board Meeting on 09/25/24**
- 6. Executive Secretary Report**
- 7. Committee Updates**
 - Finance Committee – Dynette Burke**
 - Ethics Committee – Ritchie Rivers**
 - Legislative Committee – Forrest Hise**
- 8. Consideration of New Applications (Julie Fisher)**
 - a. Company Applications**
 - i. Carla Fowler- Absolute Security Guards LLC**

- ii. **Charles Brackett- Gideon Protective Solutions LLC**
- iii. **Antranik Kalaydjian- Guardian Professional Security LLC**
- iv. **Kirby Dawson- Dawson Security & Investigations LLC**
- v. **Anthony Mitchell- Anthony M Mitchell LLC**
- b. Instructor Applications**
 - i. **Anthony Scott Monistere- Classroom In-House- Veteran Security Services**
 - ii. **Norman Bourque- Classroom In-House and External – Southern Defense and Security**
 - iii. **Chad Cox- Classroom, Firearms and Baton In-House- Valletta Industries**
 - iv. **David Flauss- Classroom In-House- Tectus Security Services**

9. Approve board meeting dates for 2024

10. Executive Session (The Board may go into executive session to deliberate, pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17(A)(1), which allows the Board to go into executive session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person.)

- a. **Consent Agreement presented for approval regarding Mark Quimby individually and/or doing business as Security Engineers Inc. (PSE-20-CO-010)**
- b. **Consent Agreement presented for approval regarding Durell Peligrin individually and/or doing business as Loomis (396)**
- c. **Consent Agreement presented for approval regarding Shane Sears individually and/or doing business as Sentinel Guard Services LLC (844)**
- d. **Consent Agreement presented for approval regarding Natalie Dabdoub individually and/or doing business as Custom Security Group dba Veterans Security Services (PSE-22-CO-006)**
- e. **Consent Agreement presented for approval regarding Demarcus Webb individually and/or doing business as E&E Security LLC (980)**
- f. **Consent Agreement presented for approval regarding Charlie Ford individually and/or doing business as Vision Quest Solutions Inc (PSE-24-CO-001)**

11. Adjournment

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF
PRIVATE SECURITY EXAMINERS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Date: November 19, 2024
Time: 12:00 PM
Location: LSBPSE Headquarters
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MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Dynette Burke at 12:02 PM.

II. Roll Call

Vice Chairman Burke asked Julie Fisher to call the roll of the board.

Ritchie Rivers, Chairman	Not Present
Dynette Burke, Vice Chairman	Present
Forrest Hise	Present
Kristen Brennan	Present
Jason Robbins, Sr	Not Present
Jennifer King	Present
Mark Leto, Sr	Not Present
Dwayne Regan	Present
Lewis Frost	Present

A quorum of the board was determined.

Also present were Executive Secretary, Carl Saizan, Jr.; Scott Lazarone and Dana Armand, Board CPA; Blake Arcuri, Board Attorney; Kristine Ferachi, Court Reporter; members of agency staff Julie Fisher, Cindy Eidson, Stephanie Richardson, Heather

Mitchell, and Logan Berthelot; and members of the public Matthew Bailey, Lofton; Abbie St. Onge, Allied Universal; and Johny King, Pinkerton.

Ms. Julie Fisher recorded the meeting minutes. Ms. Kristine Ferachi recorded a transcript of the meeting.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chairman Burke lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Public Comments/Question

No public comments or questions were recorded at this time.

V. Review and Approve Minutes for Board Meeting on 9/25/24

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the board meeting on August 14, 2024.

Motion by:	Mr. Hise
Seconded by:	Mr. Regan
Ayes: 6	Nays: 0

The motion was carried.

VI. Executive Secretary Report

Executive Secretary Carl Saizan, Jr. presented his report to the board. The report covered many topics such as Thentia training, the marketing campaign, consent agreements, Instructor Conference, company owner round table discussions, and the Private Security Initiative in New Orleans. Please see Attachment A for full report.

VII. Committee Updates

- a. Finance Committee Update – Chairman Dynette Burke

Mr. Scott Lazarone from board CPA Faulk and Winkler updated the board on the current financial statements for October 2024 and answered questions.

b. Ethics Committee Update- Chairman Ritchie Rivers

No current investigations.

c. Legislative Committee Update – Chairman Forrest Hise

No updates at this time.

VIII. Consideration of New License Applications (Julie Fisher)

Ms. Fisher presented the pending license applications for final review and approval by the board.

- a. Company Applications:
 - i. Absolute Security Guards LLC – Carla Fowler
 - ii. Gideon Protective Solutions LLC – Charles Brackett
 - iii. Dawson Security & Investigations LLC – Kirby Dawson
 - iv. Anthony M Mitchell LLC – Anthony Mitchell
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Ms. Fisher asked for a motion to approve the completed Classroom In-House Instructor application for Anthony Scott Monistere.

Motion by: Mr. Hise
Seconded by: Ms. Brennan
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

The motion was carried.

Ms. Fisher asked for a motion to approve the following incomplete Company License applications; Gideon Protective Solutions, LLC, Anthony M Mitchell LLC, Dawson Security & Investigations LLC, Absolute Security Guards LLC and Guardian Professional Security LLC, pending receipt and completion of outstanding application items, and to then give Executive Secretary Carl Saizan, Jr. the authority to issue the license once applications are completed.

Motion by: Mr. Hise
Seconded by: Ms. Burke
Ayes: 5 Abstain: 1 Nays: 0

The motion was carried. Kristin Brennan abstained from this vote due to a potential conflict of interest.

Ms. Fisher asked for a motion to approve the following incomplete Instructor License applications; David Flauss, Chad Cox, and Norman Bourque, pending receipt and completion of outstanding application items, and to then give Executive Secretary Carl Saizan, Jr. the authority to issue the license once applications are completed.

Motion by: Mr. Regan
Seconded by: Ms. Brennan
Ayes: 5 Abstain: 1 Nays: 0

The motion was carried. Dynette Burke abstained from this vote due to a potential conflict of interest.

IX. Approve board meeting dates for 2025

Proposed board meeting dates for 2025 are January 15, March 19, May 21, August 20, September 17 and November 19.

A motion was made to approve the proposed board meeting dates for 2025.

Motion by:	Mr. Regan
Seconded by:	Ms. King
Ayes: 6	Nays: 0

The motion was carried.

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24-CO-001)

A motion was made to go into executive session.

Motion by: Mr. Hise
Seconded by: Ms. Brennan
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

The motion was passed.

Executive Session begins at 12:43 PM.

Open Session begins at 1:46 PM.

A motion was made to accept the consent agreements for Security Engineers, Inc., Loomis, Sentinel Guard Services LLC, and Custom Security Group dba Veteran Security Services as presented.

Motion by: Ms. King
Seconded by: Mr. Frost
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

The motion was passed.

A motion was made to accept the consent agreement for Vision Quest Solutions as presented.

Motion by: Ms. Burke
Seconded by: Mr. Robbins
Ayes: 5 Abstain:1 Nays: 0

The motion was passed. Forrest Hise abstained from this vote due to a potential conflict of interest

A motion was made to accept the fine amount and attorney's fees for the consent agreement with E&E Security LLC, but to change the payment schedule to a \$25,000 down payment and equal payments of the remainder for 12 months, and to stipulate that fine must be paid in full by the end of the probationary period.

Motion by: Mr. Frost

Seconded by: Ms. Brennan

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

The motion was passed.

XI. Adjournment

A motion was made adjourn.

Motion by: Mr. Frost

Seconded by: Mr. Hise

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

The motion was passed.

Vice Chairman Burke adjourned the meeting at 1:54 PM.

MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,

Julie Fisher

Secretary/Recording Secretary

11/13/24

Date

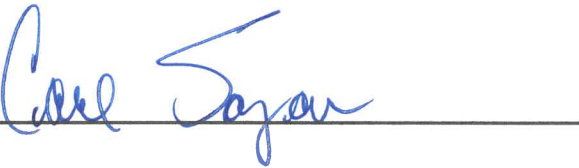
Minutes reviewed & approved by Board Member vote on November 19, 2024. Approval affirmed below by signatures of Board Chairman and Executive Secretary.



Ritchie Rivers, Board Chairman

11/19/24

Date



Carl F. Saizan, Jr., Executive Secretary

11-19-24

Date



LSBPSE Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 29, 2023 @ 10:30

Executive Secretary's Briefing Notes

Staffing:

- Currently we have 12 staff members in total: seven full-time, two WAE's, two student workers and one temporary employee from Weststaff.

Processes:

- We initiated the contract with Prometric live proctoring service on Friday, October 6, 2023, and our first test should be around the first of the year which is on schedule with their onboarding timeline.

Meetings:

- On Thursday, October 18, 2023, I met with Capt. Arex Avanni and Capt. Moore, USCG 500 Poydras Street New Orleans to discuss the rules and regulations that govern the private security industry and to ensure that they are aware of the agency's lookup tool in the event they want to verify a company's LSBPSE license or a guard's registration.
- On Thursday, October 18, 2023, I met with Karley Frankic, Executive Director for the FQMD 400 N. Peters Street New Orleans to discuss the private security company they have coordinating LE services in the FQ. The company is Public Safety Services Corp, an unlicensed company that was issued a C&D Order on Tuesday (10-17). The FQMD will be hiring Vigilant Security to coordinate services while PSSC is going through the licensing process. Matthew Pincus, owner of PSSC has started the process of becoming a licensed company.
- On Monday, October 23, 2023, I met with Danny Franklin, our new WAE compliance investigator to discuss the overall philosophy of the compliance unit and the completion of the policy, procedures, and reporting process so that we can initiate the program.
- On Tuesday, October 31, 2023, Lameika, and I met with Blake Arcuri to interview him for the vacant board attorney position.
- Later that day at 12 noon we interviewed David Lowe for the vacant board attorney position.

- On Thursday, November 2, 2023, Lameika and I met and interviewed James Garner, via Teams, for the vacant board attorney position.
- On Monday, November 6, 2023, I met with Louis Gurvich at his office (530 Lakeland Dr. BR) to discuss LSBPSE Statutes and Rules and to make sure that private security was included in Governor-elect Landry's initial Crime transition team meeting.
- On Tuesday, November 7, 2023, I met with Scott Lazarone, Faulk & Winkler, to discuss the financials and our ability to hire an assistant executive secretary in 2024 as well as our ability to invest in a new web solution. We discussed having to make adjustments to the rate of pay for LSBPSE personnel given their formal SCS job classifications.
- On Thursday, November 9, 2023, I traveled to the Benson Towers in New Orleans to meet with the Director of Security for the Ochsner System, Mark Dupuis, and his administrative assistant, Freddie Turline to discuss the possibility of incorporating proprietary security into the LSBPSE Regulatory agency.
- Later that afternoon I met with Jeff Powell, ASM Chief of Public Safety Services at the Superdome.
- On Tuesday, November 28, 2023, I met with Chief Bryan Zeringue, Thibodeaux PD, who has agreed to issue a state municipal summons to unlicensed private security companies operating in the Thibodeaux area and forward them to city court for prosecution.

Legal Counsel: (Attorney Graham Bosworth total invoice to date \$3,285.75)

- On Monday, October 2, 2023, the demand letters for Mr. Blache and Ms. Hull were sent out certified mail.
- On Monday, November 6, 2023, a petition for damages was filed against Mr. Blache (\$316,497.42) and Ms. Hull (\$15,524.47), with the Clerk of Court for East Baton Rouge Parish in the 19th Judicial District Court. Mr. Blache has been served with the lawsuit. He was served on November 20, 2023. From that date Mr. Blache has 21 days to respond. If he fails to respond, Graham will file a default judgement on December 11, 2023. Graham has not received any confirmation from the United States Postal Service that Ms. Hull was successfully served. With that said, the board will have to decide whether it wants to pay to hire a special process server to attempt service on Ms. Hull.

Board Ethics Committee: (Ethics Board Chair Ritchie Rivers)

- Nothing pending.

Board Investigative Committee: (Board Chair Lameika Washington)

- We have seventeen (17) open investigations and one that is being investigated by the LSP.
- We have an investigation involving a former board member regarding the violation of the terms and conditions in his consent agreement.
- We have a pending informal conference with a security company who let their GL insurance lapse for 33 days.
- We have a pending informal conference regarding a complaint lodged against a company for allowing a security officer to work armed, unregistered, and direct for a vendor.

Complaints / Investigations:

- We have three (3) complaints that were initiated in the months of September and October.
- Issued one (1) Cease & Desist Order and Letter on 10-03-23 and the owner has started the LSBPSE licensing process.
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- Issued one (1) Cease & Desist Order and Letter on 11-13-23.

Legislation:

- Forest Hise, LSBPSE Board Legislative Committee Chair, is in the process of reviewing Title 46 Chapter 1 and its correlating statutes and will eventually schedule a meeting with the board's legislative committee members to start the process of evaluating the information and engaging the industry for recommendations.
- On Friday, November 17, 2023, Stephanie Richardson, and I met with Logan Berthelot to finalize the draft of the fee study. Next, Dynette Burke, LSBPSE Board Finance Committee Chair, will receive the final copy of the fee study and schedule a meeting with the finance committee members to evaluate the information. The Finance Committee will meet with the CPA to ensure the appropriate increases are recorded. Eventually, the Finance Committee will engage the industry for their recommendations and input. Once the fee adjustments are complete, the information will be turned over to the LSBPSE Legislative Committee for their review and approval before sending the report to the House Commerce Committee for their assessment and assistance with putting it in the proper bill format for submitting it in legislation.

Private Security Industry:

- Number of active licensed companies to date: 215 and 200 inactive
- Number of registered instructors to date: classroom only 48 / classroom and firearms 56
- Number of registered security officers to date: 12,600

Fines:

- LSBPSE Staff members are currently working on "Project Background Alert", an initiative to correct records in Image Trend. We identified approximately 30,000 security officers who had been terminated from 2018 to 2023 whose profiles were still showing a registration level of either Armed or Unarmed, and whose profiles still displayed a "Background is Clear" alert. We are going through the records one by one and removing the "Background is Clear alert" and replacing it with a "Pending Fingerprint Background Clearance" alert. Additionally, we are changing the registration level from either Armed or Unarmed, back to Provisional Unarmed, so that these records will be reflected correctly in our database. Approximately 9,500 records remain, and we expect the project to be completed no later than 12/31/23.

Training:

- Nothing to report.

Facility Upgrades / Needs:

- On Friday, October 13, 2023, we signed a contract with Illuminate Electrical on Friday, October 13, to purchase and install a stand-by Generac Generator for the agency facility. The agreed upon cost of the generator is \$ \$32,435.00 (1 year factory warranty parts and labor, 10-year extended warranty and an annual maintenance contract for \$800.00 (per year –includes one filter and two oil changes).
- The onboarding with OTS is progressing with the conduit and fiber optic cable being connected to the facility. The la.gov email addresses have been established and are being tested. All the hardware and software has been ordered and our transition to OTS should be complete any day now.

COOP Plan Overview:

- COOP Plan development is done and will be reviewed and updated as needed twice a year.

ORM Claim Overview:

- I spoke with Paul Hood, ORM/Sedwick claim adjuster, regarding the possibility of pursuing a means to recoup the monies from Blache that were paid to the LSBPSE. Mr. Hood indicated that they would wait to see how the Board of Ethics administrative trial plays out before they pursue any legal action against Blache to get restitution.

OIG Update:

- On Monday, November 27, I received an email from Joe Lotwick informing me that we should receive a draft of their second OIG report this week and they are expected to issue the report on or about December 15