# June 3, 2024 9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

DPS Management and Finance Building 7979 Independence Boulevard, Room 308 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

Stephen Guidry, Chairman, Presiding Lt. Colonel Mark Oxley (Retired), Vice-Chair

## Call to Order, Chairman Guidry

• The meeting was called to order at 9:37 AM.

# Prayer/Pledge, Vice-Chairman Oxley

• Commissioner Oxley was installed as LHSC Vice-Chairman by unanimous vote of Executive Committee (Commissioner Oxley abstaining from discussion and vote) on April 30, 2024.

#### Roll Call, Director Freeman

- Commissioner Ard present
- Commissioner Barrett present
- Commissioner Basilica present
- Commissioner Baur present
- Commissioner Blache absent
- Commissioner Butler present
- Commissioner Carlisle present
- Commissioner Coulon present
- Commissioner Dair present
- Commissioner Guidry present
- Commissioner Kay absent
- Commissioner Leger present
- Commissioner O'Quinn absent \*proxy given to Commissioner Oxley
- Commissioner Oxley present
- Commissioner Pohlmann present
- Commissioner Pourciau present
- Commissioner Sangisetty absent
- Commissioner Taylor present
- Commissioner Thomas present
- Vacant
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Quorum (16) was reached in order to conduct official business.

#### **Public Comment**

• No public comments were offered.

Welcome to Commission Members, Partners and Stakeholders, Colonel Robert P. Hodges, Superintendent, Louisiana State Police

Approval of Minutes from April, 2024 Meeting, Chairman Guidry

• A motion was made by Commissioner Coulon and seconded by Commissioner Pourciau.

Ethics Overview - Recusal from Voting/Discussion, Attorney Faye Morrison, DPS Office of Legal Affairs

Financial Overview, Jennifer Case, LHSC Accountant Administrator

• There were no questions.

Programmatic and Administrative Overview, LHSC Planner Kristy Miller

## LHSC Staff Grant Funding Recommendations

- Planning & Administration, Project Management, Surveys Dortha Cummins, LHSC Deputy Director
  - Clarification of highway safety program categories was requested. Clarification was requested and discussed regarding the source of budget approval in regard to the state match for LHSC funding, and potential requests for additional state funding. A request to see a full list of funding sources was also made.
- Earned & Paid Media, Special Projects Greg Fischer, LHSC Public Information Officer
  - There were no questions regarding the funding recommendations made by Greg Fischer.
- Vulnerable Road User Safety, Rail Safety A'Kimberly Short, LHSC Program Coordinator
  - Clarification was requested and given in regards to the allocation of funding for the Life Savers program, and the parishes covered by The Safety Place and YMCA.
- Occupant Protection, Diversity Outreach Chanita Vazquez, LHSC Program Coordinator
  - Commissioners asked about the functions of a new program called Acts of Love but there were no questions regarding funding recommendations made by Chanita Vazquez.
- Young Drivers Jessica Staton, LHSC Executive Staff Officer
  - Commissioners advocated for additional funding for Think First and Sudden Impact, and requested information regarding the number of schools that have access to Young Driver programs.
- Impaired Driving Dortha Cummins, LHSC Deputy Director
  - Commissioner Taylor inquired about the possibility of applying for additional NHTSA
    funding. Commissioners also advocated for additional funding for the North Louisiana Crime
    Lab and Court Monitoring for MADD. Director, Lisa Freeman, did inform that this year's
    proposal does involve an increase in funding for Court Monitoring for MADD.
- Traffic Records Kristy Miller, LHSC Planner
  - There were no questions regarding the funding recommendations made by Kristy Miller.
- Police Traffic Services Terry Chustz, LHSC Program Coordinator
  - Commissioners inquired about overtime tracking for the law enforcement offices and how it relates to the amount of funding they receive.

Voting Items re: Grant Funding Recommendation, Chairman Guidry

• A motion was made by Commissioner Pohlmann and seconded by Commissioner Butler. (Note for reporting purposes: the aforementioned motion to approve the FFY 2025 project list was without opposition, and passed by voice vote and submittal of paper ballots)

### Old and New Business

- LHSC Board Membership
- Grant Funding Application Period
- LHSC Open Staff Positions
- Legislative Session Focus on Public Safety
- Reminder about Financial Disclosure Forms

# Public Comment on Agenda Items

• No public comments were offered.

Closing Comments, Chairman Guidry, Commission Members

## Adjournment

 A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Leger and seconded by Commissioner Kay at 12:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Freeman

Governor's Representative for Highway Safety

LHSC Executive Director