State of Louisiana
Office of the Governor
Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement
and Administration of Criminal Justice
Crime Victims Reparations Board

JEFF LANDRY
GOVERNOR

JIM CRAFT
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement

Member Attendees

Linda Gautier proxy for Jim Craft, Tameka White, Carla Shorty, Angela Henderson, Joseph "Joey" Merrill, Monica Taylor, Gary "Stitch" Guillory, Catalene Theriot, Robert Carlisle

Member Absentees

Rena Hebert, Patricia "Patti" Lapeyre

Staff Attendees

Danielle Lax, Jason Eastin, Kristi Ambacher, Brayln Batiste, Marshall Menou

Guest Attendees

Keith Talamo, Dr. Erich Duchmann, Patty Giovingo

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Shorty called the meeting of the Crime Victims Reparations Board to order at 9:13 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Program Manager Danielle Lax called the roll and confirmed a quorum of members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Ms. Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY AWARDS

Ms. Theriot made a motion to confirm the emergency awards processed since the previous meeting and to waive repayment of the awards because of undue hardship. Ms. Henderson seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

EMERGENCY

Parish	CVR #	Claim #	Resolution
CADDO	CADD24-0040	250672	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Heavenly Gates Funeral Home, Inc.
CADDO	CADD24-0042	250695	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Precious Memories Mortuary
CADDO	CADD24-0044	250690	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Heavenly Gates Funeral Home, Inc.
CADDO	CADD24-0045	250740	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Winnfield Funeral Home - Shreveport
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0160	250580	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Schaffer Family Funeral Home
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0161	250602	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Charles Mackey Funeral Home Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to S.L. Booker Family Funeral Services, LLC
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0163	250738	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $502.99 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0164	250739	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Roscoe Mortuary
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0165	250749	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Miller & Daughter Mortuary
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0166	250750	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0167	250775	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Miller & Daughter Mortuary
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0168	250776	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Charles Mackey Funeral Home
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0169	250777	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to MJR Friendly Service Funeral Home, Inc.
ORLEANS	ORLE24-251	250697	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-255	250627	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant

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ORLEANS	ORLE24-263	250751	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Professional Funeral Services
ORLEANS	ORLE24-264	250629	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Dennis Funeral Home
ORLEANS	ORLE24-268	250700	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $406.49 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-269	250708	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $435.45 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-272	250707	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for Relocation to Warner Tureaud
ORLEANS	ORLE24-273	250636	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Davis Mortuary Service, Inc. Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Davis Mortuary Service, Inc.
ORLEANS	ORLE24-276	250752	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Professional Funeral Services
ORLEANS	ORLE24-277	250753	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Richardson Funeral Home of Jefferson, Inc.
ORLEANS	ORLE24-279	250754	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Davis Mortuary Service, Inc.
ORLEANS	ORLE24-281	250762	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Garden of Memories Funeral Home
PLAQUEMINES	PLAQ24-002	250625	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant

STANDARD

Parish	CVR #	Claim #	Resolution
CALCASIEU	CALC23-604	232387	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $630.00 APPROVED for MENTAL HEALTH to Resolutions Counseling Services LLC
CALCASIEU	CALC24-0036	250539	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Lakeside Funeral Home
CALCASIEU	CALC24-0036	250723	Claim Eligibility APPROVED.
CALCASIEU	CALC24-0036	250725	Claim Eligibility APPROVED.

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EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0162	250706	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $3,250.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
LAFAYETTE	LAFA24-0025	250103	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE22-104	250792	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $97.35 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant Payment of $4,402.65 APPROVED for FUNERAL to D. W. Rhodes Funeral Home, Inc.
ORLEANS	ORLE24-0255	250696	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,941.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-077	242236	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $13,788.66 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-266	250731	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE24-267	250729	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ST. CHARLES	CHAR17-600	171209	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $90.00 APPROVED for MENTAL HEALTH to Allyson Bodin O'Connor, DSW, LCSW-BACS
TANGIPAHOA	TANG24-032	250111	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $4,290.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant

VOID/REISSUE

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EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0161	250602	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Charles Mackey Funeral Home Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to S.L. Booker Family Funeral Services, LLC
ORLEANS	ORLE24-273	250636	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Davis Mortuary Service, Inc. Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Davis Mortuary Service, Inc.

LATE ADDITION

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EAST BATON ROU	EBAT22-0133	250855	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $4,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0137	243864	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant

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IBERIA	IBER24-007	250844	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
IBERIA	IBER24-020	250841	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $0.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant Payment of $4,778.23 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
IBERIA	IBER24-102	250545	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
IBERVILLE	IBEV24-006	250084	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $4,530.73 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
LAFAYETTE	LAFA24-0034	250730	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-081	242253	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $443.10 APPROVED for MEDICAL to University Medical Center New Orleans Payment of $510.04 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Claimant Payment of $110.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Claimant Payment of $795.00 APPROVED for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL) to Acadian Ambulance Services
ORLEANS	ORLE24-089	242356	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $3,900.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-208	250764	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-250	250873	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-3164	243254	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $120.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
RAPIDES	RAPI24-009	243822	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $0.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant Payment of $1,362.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
RAPIDES	RAPI25-003	250882	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ST. MARTIN	MART24-012	250881	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE25-005	250805	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Jacob Schoen & Son Funeral Home
ORLEANS	ORLE25-051	250891	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant

ADJOURNMENT / OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Shorty invited public comments to be addressed to the board.

Ms. Taylor made a motion to amend the agenda, to add claim #57 ORLE25-005 and #58 ORLE25-051 under late additons. Mr. Guillory seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

Ms. Taylor made a motion to approve claim #57 ORLE25-005 and #58 ORLE25-051. Ms. Henderson seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously by the board.

The Board discussed program policies regarding funeral burial benefits in cases of Mass Casualty Events.

In cases of Mass Casualty Events, the board agreed to accept a Newspaper article in cases of homicide and to accept the Coroner's Report in place of a death certificate.

The Board agreed to schedule the next meeting for February 11, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Ms. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. White seconded the motion. Ms. Shorty adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

CVR ACTION: The board approved 33 payments.
EXPLANATION: As approved at the 01/14/2025 meeting, the CVR Board requests the LCLE Fiscal Department to prepare 33 claims for checks totaling $128,358.76 as specified in the summary below.

SUMMARY:
JRI FUNDS: 30 CLAIMS; $128,028.76
FME FUNDS: 3 CLAIMS; $330.00
TOTALS: 33 CLAIMS; $128,358.76

TOTAL FUNDS AWARDED FROM JULY 1, 2024 TO JANUARY 15, 2025:
FME FUNDS: $1,179,665.55
FEDERAL FUNDS: $677,702.67
JRI FUNDS: $586,007.23
STATE FUNDS: $95,062.74
TOTALS: $2,538,438.19