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, March 11, 2025

Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement

Member Attendees

Linda Gautier proxy for Jim Craft, Irvin Magri, Carla Shorty, Angela Henderson, Monica Taylor, Gary "Stitch" Guillory, Patricia "Pati" Lapeyre, Robert Carlisle

Member Absentees

Rena Hebert, Joey Merrill, Catalene Theriot

Staff Attendees

Danielle Lax, Jason Eastin, Kristi Ambacher, Brayln Batiste

Guest Attendees

Rikee Hawkins, Ki'Erra Rankins, Vickie Kinnard, Rita Kinnard, Dr. Erich Duchmann, Stephanie Minto-Gibson, Andrea Howard

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Shorty called the meeting of the Crime Victims Reparations Board to order at 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Ms. Henderson made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Magri seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY AWARDS

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

EMERGENCY

Parish	CVR #	Claim #	Resolution
ACADIA	ACAD25-001	251214	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Geesey-Ferguson Funeral Home, Inc.
CADDO	CADD25-0006	251008	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Heavenly Gates Funeral Home, Inc.
CADDO	CADD25-0014	251168	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Jenkins Funeral Home
CALCASIEU	CALC25-0004	251092	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to King's Funeral Home -- Lake Charles
CALCASIEU	CALC25-0005	251022	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
CONCORDIA	CONC24-005	251096	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for Relocation to Wynn Properties of Louisiana, LLC
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0009	250992	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Charles Mackey Funeral Home
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0010	250997	<NO DECISION> EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Richardson Funeral Home
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0011	250996	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Hall Davis & Sons Funeral Service, LLC
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0012	251043	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Oak Grove Cemetery
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0014	251145	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Winnfield Funeral Home
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0015	251148	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Church Funeral Services LLC
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0016	251175	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to A. Hamilton Platinum Funeral Service
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0017	251176	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Ford and Joseph Funeral Home
LAFAYETTE	LAFA25-0004	251128	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-282	250896	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for Relocation to Claimant

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ST. HELENA	HELE25-005	251136	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to B.J. Ginn Funeral & Cremation Services, LLC
ST. JAMES	JAME24-3003	251095	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $153.53 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
ST. MARTIN	MART25-001	250998	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Syrie Funeral Home, Inc.
ST. MARTIN	MART25-002	250999	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. EMERGENCY Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Fletcher Funeral Home

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ASCENSION	ASCE24-013	251097	Claim Eligibility DENIED - Non-Compensable Vehicle Accdt. Payment of $0.00 DENIED for FUNERAL to Claimant
CADDO	CADD24-0008	241733	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
CADDO	CADD24-0022	242749	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $1,403.40 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
CADDO	CADD24-0022	250763	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $2,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
CADDO	CADD25-0012	251086	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $2,778.88 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
CALCASIEU	CALC24-0010	242597	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,351.27 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
CALCASIEU	CALC24-0035	251062	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
CALCASIEU	CALC24-0036	250723	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $121.70 APPROVED for MENTAL HEALTH to Claimant
CALCASIEU	CALC25-0006	251039	Claim Eligibility APPROVED.
CALCASIEU	CALC25-0007	251157	Claim Eligibility APPROVED.
CALCASIEU	CALC25-0009	251227	Claim Eligibility APPROVED.
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0140	250023	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $616.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant

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EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0145	250047	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0153	250275	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $4,479.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to A. Hamilton Platinum Funeral Service Payment of $1,021.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0154	250484	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to A. Hamilton Platinum Funeral Service
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0160	250580	Claim Eligibility DENIED - Crime not substantiated; Ineligible Crime. Payment of $0.00 DENIED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0161	250602	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0164	251229	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $2,750.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0164	251230	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $2,750.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0167	250775	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0006	250925	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $1,518.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0006	251160	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $3,982.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0007	250956	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $4,625.86 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant Payment of $874.14 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Desselle Funeral Home
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT25-0018	251226	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $3,771.48 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
IBERIA	IBER24-101	250544	Claim Eligibility APPROVED.
IBERIA	IBER24-101	251240	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
IBERIA	IBER25-002	251238	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $3,895.94 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Journet & Bolden Funeral Home Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE23-1365	242144	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $4,708.85 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant

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ORLEANS	ORLE23-1389	251248	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,000.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-031	241570	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-039	241698	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-041	241761	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $654.29 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE24-122	242916	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-160	243674	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $98.27 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-160	243675	Claim Eligibility DENIED - No Pecuniary Loss. Payment of $0.00 DENIED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-169	243750	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-192	251023	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-273	250636	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-284	251024	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $4,445.86 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-289	251138	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $1,451.54 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-292	251249	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-002	250800	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Cook-Richmond Funeral Home, Inc.
ORLEANS	ORLE25-014	250816	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Westside/Leitz-Eagan Funeral Home
ORLEANS	ORLE25-014	250817	Claim Eligibility APPROVED.
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1001	251170	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1002	251171	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center

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ORLEANS	ORLE25-1003	251172	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1004	251173	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1006	251174	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $630.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1007	251177	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1009	251182	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1010	251184	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $884.19 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1012	251185	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $850.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1013	251186	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1015	251236	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-702	251250	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $719.19 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
OUACHITA	OUAC24-017	250192	Claim Eligibility DENIED - Involved in Illegal Activity. Payment of $0.00 DENIED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ST. CHARLES	CHAR24-0013	243712	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $270.00 APPROVED for MENTAL HEALTH to YNG Counseling & Consulting
ST. CHARLES	CHAR24-0017	250178	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $90.00 APPROVED for MENTAL HEALTH to YNG Counseling & Consulting
ST. CHARLES	CHAR24-0018	250232	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $360.00 APPROVED for MENTAL HEALTH to YNG Counseling & Consulting
ST. CHARLES	CHAR24-0019	250758	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $360.00 APPROVED for MENTAL HEALTH to Allyson Bodin O'Connor, DSW, LCSW-BACS
ST. TAMMANY	TAMM24-008	251147	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $6,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant

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ORLEANS	ORLE25-049	250890	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $1,000.00 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1005	251091	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $2,234.99 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant

LATE ADDITION

Parish	CVR #	Claim #	Resolution
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT22-0166	251183	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $0.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT22-0166	251291	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $4,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0112	243407	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $3,546.63 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant Payment of $1,185.07 APPROVED for FUNERAL to S.L. Booker Family Funeral Services, LLC
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0157	250616	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to S.L. Booker Family Funeral Services, LLC
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0171	251018	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $0.00 APPROVED for Relocation to Claimant
EAST BATON ROU	EBAT24-0171	251328	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $0.00 APPROVED for Relocation to Claimant
LAFAYETTE	LAFA24-0007	241536	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $233.35 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant Payment of $5,453.76 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
LAFAYETTE	LAFA24-3030	242355	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $1,232.14 APPROVED for Relocation to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-262	250757	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $61.12 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Ochsner Health Payment of $810.15 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Ochsner Health Payment of $551.30 APPROVED for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL) to Acadian Ambulance Services Payment of $5,128.14 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Ochsner Health Payment of $4.92 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Ochsner Health Payment of $27.97 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Ochsner Health Payment of $0.00 APPROVED for WAGE to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE24-610	250459	Claim Eligibility DENIED - Applicant is not an eligible party. Payment of $0.00 DENIED for MEDICAL to Claimant

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ORLEANS	ORLE25-004	250804	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $5,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1015	251258	Claim Eligibility DENIED - Duplicate Application. Payment of $0.00 DENIED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1017	251254	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1018	251257	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1021	251253	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1022	251255	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
ORLEANS	ORLE25-1023	251256	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $600.00 APPROVED for MEDICAL to Hope Community Health Center
OUACHITA	OUAC23-019	240409	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $3,500.00 APPROVED for FUNERAL to Claimant
ST. MARTIN	MART24-010	250283	Claim Eligibility DENIED - Crime not substantiated; Ineligible Crime. Payment of $0.00 DENIED for MEDICAL to Claimant
WEBSTER	WEBS24-004	243205	Claim Eligibility APPROVED. Payment of $229.72 APPROVED for Relocation to Claimant

ADJOURNMENT / OTHER BUSINESS

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

The Board reviewed current policies for funeral burial expense claims. Ms. Taylor made a motion to keep current policies in place, and to review on a case by case basis. No second motion was given. Current policies will stay in place.

The board discussed the process for submitting applications to the Crime Victims Reparations Board Office from the Orleans Parish Sheriff's Office. Due to the high volume of claims being processed from the Orleans Parish Sheriff's Office, the board suggested that all applications completed by the New Orleans Police Department (NOPD) be directly submitted to the CVR Board Office moving forward, to streamline the process. Ms. Taylor made a motion to approve. Ms. Gautier seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously by the board.

The Board agreed to schedule the next meeting for April 8, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Ms. Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Gautier seconded the motion. Ms. Shorty adjourned the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

CVR ACTION: The board approved 77 payments.
EXPLANATION: As approved at the 03/11/2025 meeting, the CVR Board requests the LCLE Fiscal Department to prepare 77 claims for checks totaling $203,925.13 as specified in the summary below.

SUMMARY:
JRI FUNDS: 12 CLAIMS; $7,262.46
FME FUNDS: 1 CLAIMS; $719.19
FED FUNDS: 55 CLAIMS; $190,227.33
STATE FUNDS: 9 CLAIMS; $5,716.15
TOTALS: 77 CLAIMS; $203,925.13

TOTAL FUNDS AWARDED FROM JULY 1, 2024 TO MARCH 19, 2025:
JRI FUNDS: $845,377.79
FME FUNDS: $1,505,793.36
FED FUNDS: $867,930.00
STATE FUNDS: $108,932.42
TOTALS: $3,328,033.57