

# **M I N U T E S**

**MEETING DATE:**           **January 8, 2008**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**     Mr. Fernest J. Benoit, Mr. Lamarr Davis, Mr. Ben Garris, Dr. Glenn Green, Sr., Mr. Ed Hardin, Ms. Rose G. Montgomery, Ms. Ann Polak, Ms. Audrey Thibodeaux,

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**       Ms. Mickey DeLaup, Ms. Elizabeth Harvey, Mr. Bill Willis,

**STAFF PRESENT:**         Robert Wertz, Linda Gautier, Carla Domingue

**GUESTS PRESENT:**       Erich Duchmann, PhD, Carolyn Stapleton, Mechelle Delahoussaye, Cathy Clark Bell, Barbara Doiron

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Lamarr Davis at 9:35 a.m.

## **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### **III. APPEALS**

#### **A 1. Orleans 07-039**

Dr. Green made a motion to deny under authority of LAC22: XIII.301(A)(1)(a)i (felony convictions). Ms. Montgomery seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### **IV. EMERGENCY CONFIRM/DENY**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to confirm the emergency rulings for the previous month. Dr. Green seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### **V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION**

#### **F 1. Allen 07-006**

Ms. Polak made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **F 2. Allen 07-007**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **F 3. Assumption 07-008**

Mr. Benoit made a motion to award \$423.50 for MEDICAL, \$300.00 for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL). Mr. Hardin seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **F 4. Beauregard 05-004**

Ms. Polak made a motion to award \$240.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **F 5. Beauregard 05-005**

Ms. Dupuy made a motion to award \$240.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **F 6. Bossier 07-041**

Mr. Benoit made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Dr. Green seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **F 7. Bossier 07-042**

Mr. Benoit made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **F 8. Bossier 07-043**

Mr. Benoit made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **F 9. Bossier 07-044**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **F 10. Bossier 07-045**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$1,187.82 for MEDICAL, \$3,500.00 for MENTAL HEALTH, \$86.24 for MEDICAL MILEAGE. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the

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motion passed unanimously.

**F 11. Caddo 06-042**

Ms. Polak made a motion to award \$100.00 for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL). Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 12. Calcasieu 01-049**

Ms. Polak made a motion to award \$2,093.40 for WAGE. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 13. Calcasieu 07-032**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$120.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 14. Calcasieu 07-048**

Ms. Polak made a motion to award \$180.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Dr. Green seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 15. Calcasieu 07-052**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$60.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Montgomery seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 16. Calcasieu 07-053**

Ms. Polak made a motion to award \$300.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Montgomery seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 17. Calcasieu 07-054**

Ms. Montgomery made a motion to award \$60.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 18. Calcasieu 07-055**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$60.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 19. Calcasieu 07-066**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$240.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 20. Desoto 07-008**

Ms. Polak made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 21. Desoto 07-009**

Ms. Polak made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 22. Desoto 07-010**

Ms. Polak made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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**F 23. Desoto 07-012**

Ms. Polak made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 24. Desoto 07-013**

Dr. Green made a motion to deny under authority of LAC22: XIII.301(A)(1)(a)i (felony convictions). Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 25. East Baton Rouge 07-038**

Dr. Green made a motion to deny under authority of LAC22: XIII.301(A)(1)(a)i (felony convictions). Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 26. East Baton Rouge 07-058**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 27. East Baton Rouge 07-059**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 28. East Baton Rouge 07-061**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$4,124.77 for MEDICAL TRAVEL (MEDICAL). Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Dr. Green made a motion to increase the maximum eligibility on this case to \$25,000. Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 29. East Baton Rouge 07-065**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$6,668.48 for MEDICAL. Dr. Green seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 30. East Baton Rouge 07-068**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$4,000.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 31. East Baton Rouge 07-071**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$2,112.71 for MEDICAL, \$300.00 for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL). Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 32. East Baton Rouge 07-072**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 33. East Baton Rouge 07-073**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 34. East Baton Rouge 07-074**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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**F 35. East Baton Rouge 07-076**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$4,000.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 36. East Baton Rouge 07-077**

Mr. Benoit made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 37. East Carroll 07-003**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$4,000.00 for FUNERAL. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 38. Jefferson 07-010**

Dr. Green made a motion to deny under authority of R.S. 46:1809 B(1) (not a compensable expense). Mr. Hardin seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 39. Jefferson 07-035**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$300.00 for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL), \$4,841.90 for MEDICAL. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 40. Lafayette 07-027**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$6,389.20 for MEDICAL. Dr. Green seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 41. Lafourche 06-036**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$360.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 42. Lafourche 06-051**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$4,286.30 for WAGE. Dr. Green seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 43. Lafourche 07-021**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$600.00 for MENTAL HEALTH, \$704.00 for MEDICAL MILEAGE. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 44. Lafourche 07-041**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$180.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 45. Lafourche 07-053**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$669.98 for MEDICAL, \$104.48 for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL). Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 46. Lafourche 07-069**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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**F 47. Livingston 05-007**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$6,584.55 for MEDICAL. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 48. Livingston 05-008**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$632.26 for MEDICAL. Mr. Hardin seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 49. Livingston 07-009**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 50. Orleans 06-027**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 51. Orleans 06-063**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$1,893.02 for WAGE. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 52. Orleans 07-013**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 53. Orleans 07-016**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 54. Orleans 07-023**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 55. Orleans 07-025**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Ms. Montgomery seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 56. Orleans 07-030**

Dr. Green made a motion to deny under authority of LAC22: XIII.301(A)(1)(a)i (felony convictions). Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 57. Orleans 07-034**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 58. Orleans 07-042**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$1,400.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 59. Orleans 07-057**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$5,500.00 for SUPPORT. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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**F 60. Orleans 07-060**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 61. Orleans 07-069**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 62. Orleans 07-081**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant but to allow payments to providers only. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 63. Orleans 07-082**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant but to allow payments to providers only. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 64. Orleans 07-083**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant but to allow payments to providers only. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 65. Orleans 07-086**

Dr. Green made a motion to award. Estimate approved for: \$4,203.50 for MEDICAL. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 66. Orleans 07-114**

Dr. Green made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 67. Orleans 07-132**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 68. Orleans 07-134**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 69. Ouachita 07-020**

Ms. Polak made a motion to award \$4,335.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 70. Pointe Coupee 07-006**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$1,132.64 for MEDICAL. Dr. Green seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 71. Rapides 07-015**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 72. Rapides 07-016**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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**F 73. Rapides 07-017**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 74. Rapides 07-018**

Ms. Polak made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 75. Richland 07-002**

Mr. Benoit made a motion to award \$10,000.00 for CATASTROPHIC PROPERTY. Ms. Montgomery seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 76. St. John The Baptist 07-004**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$867.36 for MEDICAL. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 77. St. Martin 07-025**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$1,565.14 for WAGE. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 78. St. Tammany 07-017**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award. Estimate approved for: \$5,850.00 for MEDICAL. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 79. St. Tammany 07-022**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Dupuy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 80. St. Tammany 07-023**

Dr. Green made a motion to award \$4,500.00 for FUNERAL. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 81. Terrebonne 03-002**

Dr. Green made a motion to defer claims awaiting expert opinion by board appointed medical specialist. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Benoit made a motion to pay the cost of services for the afore-mentioned specialist. Dr. Green seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 82. Terrebonne 07-011**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$4,147.74 for MEDICAL, \$300.00 for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL). Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 83. Union 07-011**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$264.00 for WAGE. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 84. Vermilion 07-010**

Ms. Polak made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Dr. Green seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.



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**F 85. Washington 07-011**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$1,120.80 for MEDICAL. Mr. Benoit seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 86. West Baton Rouge 07-013**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to award \$2,197.00 for FUNERAL. Ms. Polak seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Hardin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Montgomery seconded the meeting. Mr. Davis adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m.