Meeting Minutes Board of Louisiana River Port Pilot Review and Oversight Monday, September 26, 2022, 10:00 am

Location:

Crescent River Port Pilots' Association

2640 Ridgelake Drive Metairie, LA 70002

- 1. Meeting called to order at 10:00 am.
- 2. Board members in attendance:

Jack Anderson

Christopher Blache

Charles Gilchrist

Lee Jackson

Jennifer Marusak

Jim Patterson

Roy Quezaire

Tim Long

Judge Conn Regan

Others in Attendance:

Ralph Wall

Art Lentini

Jeremy Whittemore

Robert Barnet

WB Brown, III

Rick Ward

Adam Buras

William J Dutel

Aubrey Spreen

John Litchfield

Toby Wattigney

Ryan Templet

Chris Rittner

Bobby Heitmeir

- 3. Board received comments from the Public. John Litchfield, Ralph Wall, Rick Ward, Art Lentini and Robert Barnett
- 4. January Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved by the Board.

- 5. The Board received Reports of Accidents and Consent Judgments from Capt. Anderson, Capt. Jackson, and Capt. Blache. Capt. Gilchrist had nothing to report.
 - Capt. Long inquired about drug testing procedures for the Board of Examiners for New Orleans Baton Rouge Steamship Pilots (NOBRE). The Board will request additional information from NOBRE to include the following:

The procedure on how pilots are selected for testing, how pilots are contacted to submit samples, the events that occur if a pilot tests positive, the number of ships piloted by the pilot that tested positive and why was it allowed to occur, and the identity of the company providing the drug and alcohol testing.

6. Reports from Committees

- a. Statutory Amendments Capt. Anderson reviewed the recently amended statutes.
- b. Industry Outreach / Website Capt. Anderson reported on status of website.
- 7. Reports of Grievances received by Commissioners/Examiners or BOR
 - The Board reviewed the complaint against Capt. Clayton by Toby Wattingly The Board passed a resolution to request an opinion from the Louisiana Attorney General. (see attached).
 - b. The Board reviewed the complaint against NOBRE by retired pilot, Capt. Davisson The Board unanimously voted to take no action.

8. Financial Report

- Capt. Anderson distributed the current bank statement
- A motion was made and approved to authorize per diem payment for Judge Regan.
- 9. Approval of Administrative Expenses
 - Motions made and approved to pay administrative fees to Michael Delesdernier and Mary Delesdernier and to pay monthly fee for hosting website.
- 10. Pilot Pro Rata Share Required Under 34:1136

A motion was made and passed to invoice each pilot group a pro rata portion to fund the Board in accordance with statuary requirements.

11. New Business

Capt. Anderson discussed a potential Board retreat to occur in 2023.

12. Motion made and unanimously approved to adjourn.



State of Louisiana

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CIVIL DIVISION P.O. BOX 94005 BATON ROUGE 70804-9005

February 1, 2023

Mr. Michael R. Delesdernier Administrator Board of Louisiana River Port Pilot Review and Oversight 2728 Athania Pky. Metairie, LA 70002

Re: La. R.S. 34:1131

Dear Mr. Delesdernier:

Your opinion request has been assigned to Amanda LaGroue and designated as **Opinion 23-0019**. No response is required to this notice. For information regarding your request, you may call (225) 326-6050.

Very truly yours,

ADRIENNE R. GAUTHIER ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Board of Louisiana River Port Pilot Review and Oversight 2728 Athania Pkwy Metairie, LA 70002

504-281-4106

lariverpilotreviewboard@gmail.com

September 26, 2022

Board Members Present:
Jack Anderson
Christopher Blache
Charles Gilchrist
Lee Jackson
Tim Long
Jennifer Marusak
Jim Patterson
Roy Quezaire
Judge Con Regan

RESOLVE: It is hereby resolved that Board of Louisiana River Port Pilot Review and Oversight (BOR) will request an opinion letter from the Louisiana Attorney General regarding the authority of the BOR to review complaints against an individual member of the Commissioners and Examiners, in particular the complaint made against Examiner Captain Casey Clayton.

Member Jim Patterson moved to review the authority of the BOR under LSA R.S. 34:1135 G to investigate the actions of an individual Examiner or Commissioner acting in their authority of an Examiner or Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Christopher Blache. The motion was passed unanimously.

hairman Jack Anderson