

Crime Victims Reparations Board  
State of Louisiana

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M I N U T E S



**MEETING DATE:** September 27, 2016

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ms. Linda Gautier, Ms. Rena Hebert, Bobby D. Igo., Jr., Ms. Carolyn Stapleton, Ms. Catalene B. Theriot, Ms. Audrey Thibodeaux, Ms. Amanda Tonkovich, Ms. Tameka T. White,

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. Gary "Stitch" Guillory,

**STAFF PRESENT:** Robert Wertz, Carla Trahan, Margaret Watson, Courtney Dickerson, Linda Gautier and Denise Hernandez

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Erich Duchmann, Jeddie Smith, Jane Wood, Rikee Ruffin, Stephanie Minto, Justin Benoit and Teresse LeDay

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Tonkovich called the CVR Board meeting for the date of September 27, 2016 to order at 9:10 a.m.

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

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

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### III. APPEALS

#### A 1. Jefferson 15-001

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to defer ruling awaiting verification from the District Attorney's office that victim was not involved in illegal activity. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### IV. EMERGENCY CONFIRM/DENY

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to confirm the emergency rulings for the previous month. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION

#### F 1. Acadia 16-700

Ms. Theriot made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### F 2. Acadia 16-701

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### F 3. Ascension 16-702

Ms. Theriot made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### F 4. Ascension 16-703

Ms. White made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### F 5. Ascension 16-704

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### F 6. Bossier 15-004

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$3,243.90 for FUNERAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### F 7. Bossier 16-707

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### F 8. Bossier 16-710

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### F 9. Caddo 15-033

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$2,337.78 for FUNERAL. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION**

**F 10. Caddo 15-083**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$3,240.00 for FUNERAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 11. Caddo 16-601**

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

**F 12. Caddo 16-602**

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

**F 13. Caddo 16-712**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$400.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 14. Caddo 16-715**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$400.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 15. Caddo 16-716**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$400.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 16. Caddo 16-718**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$400.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 17. Calcasieu 15-053**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$1,010.53 for MEDICAL, \$289.75 for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL). Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 18. Calcasieu 16-071**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$154.63 for MEDICAL MILEAGE. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 19. Calcasieu 16-624**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$1,052.64 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 20. Calcasieu 16-631**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$1,251.74 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The board also agreed to mark the case as "closed".

**F 21. Calcasieu 16-637**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$2,086.77 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The board also agreed to mark the case as "closed".

**V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION**

**F 22. Calcasieu 16-638**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$1,052.64 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 24. Calcasieu 16-650**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant, but only for any future claims to pay for forensic medical exam expenses. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 25. Calcasieu 16-651**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant, but only for any future claims to pay for forensic medical exam expenses. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 26. Calcasieu 16-652**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant, but only for any future claims to pay for forensic medical exam expenses. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 27. Calcasieu 16-702**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$300.00 for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL), \$105.60 for MEDICAL. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 28. East Baton Rouge 15-073**

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

**F 29. East Baton Rouge 15-079**

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

**F 30. East Baton Rouge 15-089**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$1,449.00 for FUNERAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 31. East Baton Rouge 15-100**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$9,207.68 for WAGE, \$292.32 for MEDICAL. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 32. East Baton Rouge 16-039**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$6,372.80 for WAGE, \$492.29 for MEDICAL. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 33. East Baton Rouge 16-045**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$2,950.00 for FUNERAL. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION**

**F 34. East Baton Rouge 16-054**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 35. East Baton Rouge 16-065**

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

**F 36. East Baton Rouge 16-742**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 37. East Baton Rouge 16-743**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 45. East Baton Rouge 16-754**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 46. East Baton Rouge 16-757**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 47. East Baton Rouge 16-758**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$475.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 48. East Baton Rouge 16-759**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 49. East Baton Rouge 16-760**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 50. East Baton Rouge 16-761**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$475.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 51. East Baton Rouge 16-762**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 52. East Baton Rouge 16-763**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION**

**F 53. East Baton Rouge 16-764**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 54. East Baton Rouge 16-765**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 55. East Baton Rouge 16-766**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$475.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 56. East Baton Rouge 16-767**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$475.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 57. East Baton Rouge 16-769**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$475.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 58. East Baton Rouge 16-770**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$475.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 59. East Baton Rouge 16-771**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 60. East Baton Rouge 16-773**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 61. East Baton Rouge 16-774**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$475.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 62. East Baton Rouge 16-775**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 63. East Feliciana 16-701**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 64. East Feliciana 16-702**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION**

**F 66. Iberia 16-702**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 67. Iberia 16-703**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 68. Jefferson 16-004**

Ms. Gautier made a motion to approve eligibility and the estimate. The motion failed for lack of a second. Ms. Stapleton made a motion to approve eligibility but to defer approval of the estimate, awaiting further research by the Board's mental health consultant regarding treatment of PTSD using service dogs. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 69. Lafayette 15-003**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$728.00 for FUNERAL. The claim amounts were reduced by 50 % for contribution. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 70. Lafayette 15-016**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$825.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 71. Lafayette 15-017**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$825.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 72. Lafayette 16-009**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$219.45 for MEDICAL. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The board also agreed to mark the case as "closed".

**F 73. Lafayette 16-700**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 74. Lafayette 16-701**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 75. Lafayette 16-702**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to approve eligibility but to defer payment of the claim, awaiting verification of invoice (the name listed in the invoice is not the name on the application). Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 76. Lafayette 16-703**

Ms. Theriot made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION**

**F 77. Lafayette 16-704**

Ms. Theriot made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 78. Lafayette 16-705**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 79. Lafayette 16-706**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 80. Lafayette 16-707**

Ms. Theriot made a motion to award \$800.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 81. Lafourche 16-019**

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

**F 82. Lincoln 16-706**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$500.00 for MEDICAL. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 83. Orleans 13-135**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$1,008.25 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 84. Orleans 15-023**

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

**F 85. Orleans 15-061**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$184.00 for MEDICAL but to defer the travel expenses awaiting research verifying that these expenses are compensable. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 86. Orleans 16-827**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$213.76 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 87. Orleans 16-832**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$200.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 88. Orleans 16-836**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$426.95 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.



**V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION**

**F 89. Orleans 16-838**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$1,928.78 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 90. Orleans 16-839**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$1,006.59 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 91. Orleans 16-840**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$1,000.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 92. Orleans 16-841**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$475.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 93. Orleans 16-842**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$1,093.04 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 94. Ouachita 15-001**

Ms. Hebert made a motion to award \$235.91 for OTHER, \$4,862.76 for MEDICAL, \$296.82 for MEDICAL MILEAGE. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 95. Pointe Coupee 16-701**

Ms. Theriot made a motion to award \$475.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 96. Rapides 16-702**

Ms. Theriot made a motion to award \$296.90 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 97. Rapides 16-703**

Ms. Theriot made a motion to award \$600.00 for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL), \$415.80 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 98. Rapides 16-704**

Ms. Theriot made a motion to award \$1,000.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**F 99. St. Charles 14-035**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$450.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Bob Igo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The Board also requested that the mental health provider be made aware that the victim is reaching the mental health maximum allowable.

## V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION

### F100. St. Charles 16-013

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

### F101. St. Charles 16-015

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$75.00 for MENTAL HEALTH. Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### F102. St. Martin 12-009

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$805.89 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### F103. St. Martin 16-600

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$507.60 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### F104. St. Mary 16-005

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to deny under authority of LAC22:8.301(A)(1)(a)(ii) (felony convictions). Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### F105. St. Tammany 16-700

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$1,516.07 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### F106. Terrebonne 16-002

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$1,000.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### F107. Washington 16-701

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to approve the eligibility of this claimant. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### F108. West Baton Rouge 16-700

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### F109. West Feliciana 16-001

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to deny under authority of LAC22:8.301(A)(1)(a)(ii) (felony convictions). Ms. Hebert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

### F110. West Feliciana 16-003

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to defer ruling awaiting a police report. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

## VI. LATE ADDITIONS

### L 1. East Baton Rouge 15-112

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$4,750.00 for FUNERAL. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**VI. LATE ADDITIONS**

**L 2. Lafayette 14-014**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$9,700.00 for MEDICAL, \$300.00 for AMBULANCE TRANSPORT (MEDICAL). Ms. Thibodeaux seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**V. ITEMS FOR FULL DISCUSSION**

**L 3. East Baton Rouge 16-776**

Ms. Theriot made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**VI. LATE ADDITIONS**

**L 4. East Baton Rouge 16-777**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**L 5. Caddo 16-741**

Ms. White made a motion to award \$808.68 for MEDICAL. Ms. Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**L 6. East Baton Rouge 16-778**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**L 7. East Baton Rouge 16-779**

Ms. Stapleton made a motion to award \$350.00 for MEDICAL. Ms. White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**L 8. Caddo 16-006**

Ms. Thibodeaux made a motion to award \$1,123.00 for FUNERAL, \$415.68 for OTHER. Ms. Theriot seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

## VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Discussed request from the Board's attorney, Mr. Jeddie Smith, to waive repayment on case # BOSS05-007. The Board voted unanimously to waive the repayment due to extensive medical expenses.

Emergency application #IBER15-016 was brought to the full board as an appeal. Ms. White made a motion to approve. The motion died for lack of a second. Ms. Stapleton made a motion to deny because of noncompensable expense. Ms. Hebert seconded the motion to deny and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board voted to have the CVR staff send a letter with each emergency award issued for mental health counseling directing that the mental health provider must reimburse the Board if the victim/claimant doesn't schedule an appointment within 30 days of the date of the letter..

The Board elected to skip the October board meeting and scheduled the next board meeting for November 15, 2016.

Ms. Hebert made a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. Mr. Igo seconded the motion. Ms. Tonkovich adjourned the meeting at 11:16 a.m.