

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF HOME INSPECTORS

Friday, March 6, 2026

9:00 AM

Office of the LSBHI

5211 Essen Lane Suite 9, Baton Rouge

Board Members in Attendance

District 1 –

District 4 – Fredrick Williams

District 2 – Christopher Thacker

District 5 – Robert Smith

District 3 – Paul Brunet

District 6 – John McLaughlin

At Large – Jean Picou Jr.

I

Those members in attendance, Chairman John McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 9 AM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous Quarterly Board Meeting, and a motion was made (Fred Williams) and seconded (Jean Picou Jr.) to approve the minutes as written.

II

The Board reviewed and approved the following education provider applications:

Michael Burroughs LHI#10044- Continuing Education Provider- 6-0 vote

Jordan Small LHI#11206 – In-Field Trainer- 6-0 vote

Kyle Swart LHI#10947– In-Field Trainer – 6-0 vote

III - Complaints

C-25-009 Wright v. Muse LHI#11313– Both Parties were present with legal representation...

C-25-010 Downey v. Nash LHI#10096– Mr. Kipp Nash requested a motion that the complaint be dismissed because the complainant failed to appear at the scheduled administrative hearing regarding the alleged violation of LAC46XL.311C.3. The motion was granted, and a unanimous vote dismissed the complaint.

C-26-001 Miller v. Guidry LHI#10905– Dismissed– no probable cause

IV

Attorney Albert Nicaud provided a legislative update. The LSBHI's bill (HB267) would revise the membership structure of the Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors, including provisions related to board appointments, member qualifications, term limits, and other related matters. The bill is scheduled to be heard in the upcoming weeks.

V

COO, Morgan Spinosa, provided an update on an important status change for the Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors. Currently, LSBHI is the only occupational licensing board not classified as a state agency. Efforts are underway to correct this, and LSBHI will soon be formally recognized and operated as a state agency.

VI

Mr. Jean Picou provided a quick update from the Report Review Committee. After review of what the committee discussed, Attorney Albert Nicaud suggested the committee memorialize the procedure and bring it before the Board.

VII

Mr. Fred Williams requested that the Board consider establishing an annual 'Inspector of the Year' recognition initiative. Following the discussion, it was determined that such a program may be more appropriately administered by the American Society of Home Inspectors, Louisiana Chapter, rather than the Board.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:17 AM.

Other attendees: Albert Nicaud, Board Attorney; Morgan Spinosa, COO; Barry Landry; Brandy Allain; Kenny Spinosa; Michael Burroughs; Carl Heck; Jared Stevens; Fritz Gurtler; Brad Aldridge; Victor Morrell; Joe Cook; Charlie Muse; Paul Palermo; James Yaeger; Roland Leblanc; Kipp Nash; Jeff McCleney; Darryl Watson; Ashley van der Meulen; Bary Mormino; Morgan Wood; Brittany Wright; Michael Tyler; Peter Forrestall

Minutes recorded by: C.O.O. Spinosa