

**Minutes
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Louisiana Insurance Guaranty Association**

April 7, 2015

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors was held on April 7, 2015, at the Louisiana Insurance Guaranty Association, located at 2142 Quail Run, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808. The meeting was publicly noticed in accordance with the Open Meetings Law.

Members present constituting a quorum:

Michael T. Gray (Chairman)
Wayne T. Roussel (Secretary)
David A. Ross
Keith D. Thompson
William D. Hughs, III
Kristin Wall
Denis Husers

The Gray Insurance Company
Appointee of the President of the Senate
State Farm Insurance Companies
Liberty Mutual Insurance Companies
Appointee of the Speaker of the House
Louisiana Workers' Compensation Corporation
Appointee of the Commissioner of Insurance

Others Present:

Caroline Brock
Bill Gourgues
Amanda Strebeck
David Moore
John Wells
Gerry Coryell
Stephanie Laborde
Andrew DeGraw
Edward Dittmar
Jim Poche
Lacey Anderson
Keri Dupont

Rep. of Insurance Commissioner, Department of Insurance
State Farm Insurance Companies
CPA, Postlethwaite & Netterville
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Executive Director, LIGA
Claims Manager, LIGA
LIGA General Counsel, Milling Benson Woodward, LLP
Reporter, *The Surplus Lines Reporter*
LIGA Investment Advisor, Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC
Managing Director-Investments, Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC
Administrative Assistant, LIGA
Administrative Assistant, Milling Benson Woodward, LLP

Members Absent:

Markham R. McKinght (Treasurer)
J.E. Brignac, Jr.

Appointee of the Commissioner of Insurance
Imperial Fire and Casualty Insurance Company

Call to Order by the Chairman of LIGA Board of Directors

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gray at 10:06 a.m.

Quorum

Mr. Gray advised a quorum was present.

Approval of the Minutes of the November 20, 2014 Meeting of the Board of Directors

Mr. Gray called for a motion to approve the Minutes of the November 20, 2014 Meeting of the Board of Directors.

A motion was made by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mr. Husers to approve the Minutes of the November 20, 2014 Meeting of the Board of Directors. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Report on Operations

Executive Director, John Wells

Mr. Wells discussed the Wells Fargo investment account.

Mr. Edward Dittmar, LIGA's Investment Advisor, Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC explained that Wells Fargo is eliminating the internal division that assisted Mr. Dittmar in managing LIGA's portfolio. Consequently, Mr. Dittmar had alerted Mr. Wells to the three options open to LIGA in continuing their relationship and he explained LIGA's three options.

Mr. Gray suggested that the Finance Committee issue a RFP, before any final decisions are made.

Mr. Wells said that he would set up a committee meeting and report back to the Board. However, in the interim he would manage the change with Wells Fargo.

A motion was made by Mr. Hughs and seconded by Mr. Husers to approve the Finance Committee's delegation for the RFP. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Wells informed the Board that Mr. Ross would be retiring.

Mr. Ross introduced Bill Gourgues as his recommended replacement. Mr. Ross explained that his resignation from LIGA would be effective upon the election of his replacement.

Mr. Wells explained that Mr. Ross' term was up in June, but that if the five member companies were to vote that day they could get approval from the Commissioner and have Mr. Gourgues seated by the June meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Ross and seconded by Ms. Wall to place Mr. Gourgues on the Board in place of Mr. Ross. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote of Member Company Representatives was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Wells stated if there were no questions his report was complete.

A motion was made by Mr. Hughs and seconded by Ms. Wall to approve the Report on Operations. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Wells distributed a letter written by Mr. Reese.

Ms. Wall asked the Board to adopt a resolution and get Mr. Gray to sign it as Chairman to give to Mr. Reese commending him on his great contributions and many years of service to LIGA.

A motion was made by Ms. Wall and seconded by Mr. Hughs to adopt a resolution to give to Mr. Reese commending him on his great contributions and many years of service to LIGA. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Report on Claims & Litigation
Claims Manager, Gerry Coryell

Mr. Coryell gave his report on Claims and Litigation.

A motion was made by Mr. Hughs and seconded by Mr. Husers to approve the report on Claims and Litigation. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Report of General Counsel
General Counsel, Stephanie Laborde

Ms. Laborde gave her report which discussed bills that are of interest to LIGA. Ms. Laborde also informed the Board that she would be sending out the forms for the financial disclosures.

A motion was made by Mr. Hughs and seconded by Mr. Thompson to accept the report of General Counsel. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Report of Insurance Commissioner's Office
Caroline Brock, Rep. of Insurance Commissioner, Department of Insurance

Ms. Brock stated she had nothing to report.

Committee Reports and Recommendations

Legal Committee

Chairperson, William D. Hughs, III

No committee report was given.

Finance Committee

Chairperson, Markham R. McKnight

No committee report was given.

Claims Committee

Chairperson, Keith D. Thompson

No committee report was given.

Nominating Committee

Chairperson, David A. Ross

No committee report was given.

Personnel Committee

Chairperson, William D. Hughs, III

Mr. Wells asked that Mr. Coryell be authorized to sign checks in place of Mr. Reese.

A motion was made by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mr. Hughs to approve Mr. Wells' request of adding Mr. Coryell as an authorized check signer in the place of Mr. Reese. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Hughs stated that the Plan of Operation had been accepted by the Commissioner, salary adjustments had been made in connection with the changes, and that the Committee had approved the new replacement for Norman Reese and Gerry Coryell's positions.

A motion was made by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mr. Hughs to approve the actions of the Personnel Committee. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Audit Committee

Chairperson, Kristin Wall

Ms. Wall informed the Board that the Audit Committee had met and had adopted the proposed Charter as well as reviewed the Audit Report.

A motion was made by Ms. Wall and seconded by Mr. Hughs to approve the actions of the Audit Committee. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Roussel and seconded by Mr. Thomson to enter into Executive Session. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

******Executive Session******

A motion was made by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mr. Husers to come out of Executive Session. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 11:08 a.m. and returned to the open session of the agenda.

Old Business

There was none.

New Business

The Board discussed meeting dates and their availability.

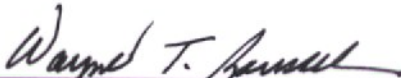
Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mr. Thomson to adjourn the meeting. Objections were called for. There being none, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

APPROVED:

These minutes were presented and approved at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Insurance Guaranty Association, held June 25, 2015.


Wayne T. Roussel, Secretary


Michael T. Gray, Chairman

These Minutes were written by Keri Dupont, Administrative Assistant, Milling Benson Woodward, LLP, from notes taken during the Board meeting. Changes and additions to the Minutes were made by Lacey Anderson, Administrative Assistant, LIGA, from a recording on the FTS Reporter and notes during the Board Meeting.