



**MINUTES**  
**SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION**  
**MEETING NUMBER 828<sup>th</sup>**  
**TIME: 11:00AM**



**DATE:** February 9, 2022

**LOCATION:** Managan Center - 1221 Sampson Street - Westlake, LA 70669

**ORDERED BY:** Tammy Ryan, President –

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Tammy Ryan, President –

**INVOCATION BY:** Mason Lindsay –

**INTRODUCTION OF GUEST:** Tammy Ryan, President –

- Tony Stelly, Calcasieu Parish Police Jury *New* President

**HOST ENTITY:** Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness (*OHSEP*) – Tammy Ryan, President –  
*Power Point Presentation by: Cade McLemore*

- *YouTube* Video will follow
- ☞ *Luncheon provided by: Gillis Meat Market*

**NEW APPLICANT PRESENTATIONS:** Tammy Ryan, President –

*BIO Presentation By: Ryan Bienvenu, Account Manager w/Austin Fire Systems*

- Application for an *Associate Member* has been submitted and is under review by the SWLAMA Steering Committee
- Presented as a “*Voting Issue*” to the General Board Membership next scheduled meeting, Wednesday, March 9, 2022

**MUTUAL AID INCIDENTS:** Tammy Ryan, President –

*Calcasieu Parish E-911*

- Discussed - Mutual Aid Calls for Month of January 2022 - (45)
- Discussed - Westlake Chemical South/Plant Explosion, Wednesday, January 26, 2022 – Kevin Boyette
  - ☞ Empty Ethylene Dichloride tank exploded
  - ☞ Plant is located near Pete Manena Road and PPG Drive
  - ☞ Shelter-N-Place lifted, no vapors in air
  - ☞ Six Injuries, non-life-threatening, 1 treated on site and other 5 sent to area hospitals
- Discussed - Logan Ray Copeland Funeral Procession – Chief Dean Lappe w/Ward 4 Fire Protection District 4/Houston River & Chief Todd Parker w/Ward 6 Fire Protection District No. 1
  - ☞ 20-year-old, Logan Copeland; a public servant, musician, McNeese student, and son among many things
  - ☞ “Logan was the one that everybody loved on the fire department,” Captain Kyle Rainwater with the DeQuincy Fire Department. “He’s never made anyone mad. He was the jokester. There are things that we’ve found in the station since he’s passed that have just made us bust out laughing. He was an awesome guy, a saint.”

- ☞ The young man is also the son of DeQuincy Fire Chief Johnny Copeland.
- ☞ “He joined the fire department to get closer to his dad,” Captain Rainwater said.
- ☞ His passing has torn a hole in the DeQuincy community following his fatal car crash
- ☞ A procession honoring his life drove down I-10 Friday afternoon
- ☞ Louisiana State Police say the crash happened early Thursday morning on Highway 27 about three miles south of the city
- ☞ Copeland was southbound when his vehicle crossed the center line and crashed into an oncoming pickup
- ☞ While those in the pickup received minor to moderate injuries according to troopers, Copeland died of his injuries Friday.
- ☞ E-911 Last Call
- ☞ Amazing Grace played on the bagpipes

## **APPOINTED COMMITTEES:**

**BUDGET/FINANCE:** Bill Wilkie, Chairman –

**TREASURERS REPORT** - Account Balance Ending as of January 31, 2022 – ***\$94,236.38***

**BY LAWS:** Richard McGuire, Chairman –

- Discussed upcoming changes to the By-Laws

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Richard McGuire, Chairman – *N/A*

**DRILL:** Robby Trahan, Ward 1 Fire Protect District No. 1, Chairman –

- Discussed educating the different local fire agencies to get them familiarizes when incidents occur

**EMS 8 HEALTHCARE:** Mark Conner, Acadian Ambulance, Chairman –

**Louisiana Region R5 ESF-8 Coalition Virtual Meeting was held on Monday, January 24, 2022, at 2:30PM to discuss:**

• **Dr. Cavanaugh COVID-19 Update:**

***Louisiana***

- ☞ As of January 12, the 7-day cumulative percent positivity was 27.50%, the previous week’s percent positivity was 29.00%.
- ☞ The hospitalizations per capita for the state are increasing over the last 14 days.
- ☞ As of January 14, the epidemic curve for the state showed 42 days in an upward trajectory in average daily incidence of COVID cases.

***Region 5***

- ☞ As of January 12, the 7-day cumulative percent positivity was 28.30%, the previous week’s percent positivity was 24.50%
- ☞ The hospitalizations per capita in Region 5 are increasing over the last 14 days
- ☞ As of January 14, the epidemic curve for Region 5 showed 40 days in an upward trajectory in average daily incidence of COVID cases

• **HVA 2022:**

- ☞ HVA 12/2021
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- ☞ HVA 12/2022 To Update
- ☞ HVA 12/2022 – Would like to review the completed 2022 HVA at the next scheduled meeting, Monday, February 28, 2022

• **Burn Planning:**

- ☞ ESF8 Portal – New Burn Screen under development, finished by end of December 2021

- Develop training guides & protocol for Burn Hospitals to conduct daily reporting
- LERN already has established Burn Group – will ‘test’
- Plan to exercise Info Sharing and portal usage during State-level Burn Exercise (February-April 2022)
- ☞ Burn Disaster Push Packs
  - Goal to push out by end of January 2022
  - One-page protocol for deployment to field/scene
- ☞ Contents – see below demo
  - JIT Materials – laminated cards on ring; pre-recorded video tutorial on a printed QR code



#### ● Upcoming Exercises:

- ☞ Medical Surge and Response Exercise (MRSE) Table-Top, Monday, April 24, 2022
- ☞ Communication Exercise (In Conjunction w/Monthly Radio Check), April 24, 2022 at 8:45AM

#### ● Open Forum:

- ☞ Reminder!! Please update HVA

**HAZMAT:** Chief, Mark Ware, Ward 4 Fire Protection District No. 2/Carlyss, Chairman – *N/A*

**INSPECTION:** Rob Daughdril, Inspector Chairman –

**Equipment List:** *Inspection Progress*

- Discussed with General Members to go the SWLAMA Website about updating their equipmentlist so the facility can be inspected

**MARINE USCG:** Randy Scott, Port Security Specialist/USCG MSU –

- USCG AMSC FSO Workshop Planning Meeting
- Tuesday, April 5, 2022
- 10AM – 2PM (*Luncheon Provided*)
- Burton Complex/Chalkley Room
- In conjunction with that, the Port Security Grant Planning Meeting (*TBD*)

**NOMINATING:** Bill Wilkie, Chairman – *N/A*

**SAR:** Lt. Ty Istre, w/CPSO, Chairman – *N/A*

**TRAINING:** Jimmy Boyette, Assist. Chief, w/WFD & Brandon Walker, Training Officer w/CFD Chairman – *N/A*

**WEATHER UPDATE (NWS):** Roger Erickson, Meteorologist –

- High pressure will be the main weather influencer over the next couple of days. This will bring about sunny days with mild temperatures and clear nights with cool temperatures
- High pressure to dominate today's weather, Wednesday, February 9, 2022 with mostly clear skies and mild temperatures



## **BUSINESS:**

**OLD BUSINESS:** Tammy Ryan, President –

**Discussed Familiarize Associate Membership Requirements & Restrictions:**

- Per By-Laws, Section 2.04
  - ☞ (a) An associate member is a vendor, supplier or other engaged in emergency response activities who do not meet the requirements of General Membership
    - (i) Each associate member agrees to support the goals and efforts of the Southwest Louisiana Mutual Aid Association. Associate member may serve on committees but not chair a committee.
    - (ii) Associate members may not host Southwest Louisiana Mutual Aid Association meetings unless by agreement with the scheduled host.
    - (iii) Associate members may present a presentation for the scheduled host only if it does not promote their primary business.
    - (iv) Associate members must pay annual dues as adopted by the Southwest Louisiana Mutual Aid Association
    - (v) Associate members cannot vote or hold office but can serve on committees.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Tammy Ryan, President –

**Discussed - FY'2022 Committee Budget Reports:**

- Budget/Finance Committee met on **Monday, February 7, 2022**, to discuss both proposed budget reports submitted for ERAD & Swift Water Rescue Technician – 36hrs/Training
- Budget/Finance Committee will present their overall budget to the SWLAMA Steering Committee next scheduled meeting, Thursday, March 3, 2022
- Upon review/approval, the Budget/Finance Committee will present their overall budget to the General Board Membership next scheduled meeting, Wednesday, March 9, 2022
- FY'2022 Committee Budget Reports are now **closed** as of, Thursday, February 3, 2022

***Discussed - Announcement of the SWLAMA Steering Committee newest Chairmen:***

- ***CPSO*** – Lt. Ty Istre
- ***Haz-Mat*** – Chief Mark Ware, w/Ward 4 Fire Prot. Dist. 2/Carlyss
- ***Training*** – Assist. Chief Jimmy Boyette, w/Westlake Fire Department & Training Officer, Cpt. Brandon Walker, w/Ward 4 Fire Prot. Dist. 2/Carlyss

***Discussed - SWLAMA Steering Committee Vacancy of Officers:***

- ***EMS***
  - ☞ Mark Conner w/Acadian Ambulance was proposed and/or request by Tammy Ryan, President
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  - ☞ The proposal and/or request approved by a majority vote of the committee members present will be presented to the next General Membership meeting for approval, Wednesday, March 9, 2022

**VOTING ISSUES:** Tammy Ryan, President – *N/A*

**STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING:** Tammy Ryan, President –

***Discussed - The SWLAMA Steering Committee met on, Thursday, February 3, 2022, at 2PM***

- **Reviewed – New applicant submitted by Ryan Bienvenu w/Austin Fire Systems:**
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  - ☞ ***Louisiana State Police***
    - Vacant
- **FY'2022 Committee Budget Reports:**
  - ☞ Budget Committee met on ***Monday, February 7, 2022***, to discuss both budgets for ERAD & Swift Water Rescue Technician – 36hrs/Training
  - ☞ Budget Committee will submit their report/recommendation to the Steering Committee at the next SWLAMA Steering Committee Meeting, Thursday, March 3, 2022
- **Possibility Implementing a Sub-Committee for Vendors:**
- **SWLAMA Website:**

## **NEXT MONTH'S MEETING EVENTS:**

**NEXT MEETING HOST:** Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office (*CPSO*)

**DATE:** Wednesday, March 9, 2022

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**ADJOURN:**

- Motion to adjourn – Todd Parker, CERTC
- 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion – Dean Lappe
- Meeting adjourned – 11:45AM

### **THE NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD**

**Thursday, March 3, 2022 @ 2PM**  
**901 Lakeshore Drive, Suite 200**  
**Lake Charles, LA 70601**