

INVOCATION: Derrick Foster

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Diana Cutrer

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: TO ADOPT FEBRUARY 26, 2026, AGENDA.

MOTION: RICKEY FABRA

SECOND: WAYNE LAFLEUR

MOTION: CARRIED

ENFORCEMENT

A.) Consideration of Request for Voluntary Surrender of Licenses—Kevin Monvoisin

Mr. Monvoisin is requesting voluntary surrender of license numbers MP6779 & MNGF7883 and waived his right to a hearing.

PC: NONE

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE SURRENDER OF LICENSURE

MOTION: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III

SECOND: MICHAEL JOINER

MOTION: CARRIED

B.) Consideration of request for a Rehearing of Appeal—Launey Beckham

PC: NONE

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE REQUEST FOR REHEARING

MOTION: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III

SECOND: MICHAEL JOINER

MOTION: CARRIED

C.) Citation Appeal – Launey Beckham

Mr. Beckham was called before the Board for a formal hearing for
One (1) count of operating a plumbing company without a proper license.
One (1) count of using unlicensed personnel.
One (1) count of performing master plumbing work without a proper license.
One (1) count of advertising plumbing work without a proper license.

PC: NONE

MOTION: TO DEFER THIS MATTER TO THE NEXT BOARD MEETING AND REQUIRE HOLT AND SON PLUMBING TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD AS A WITNESS. THE BOARD FURTHER DIRECTED INVESTIGATIVE OFFICER DYKES TO CONDUCT ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION REGARDING THE

RECEIPT AND TO DETERMINE WHETHER A PERMIT WAS ISSUED, AND TO PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION FOR REVIEW AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING.

MOTION: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III
SECOND: MICHAEL JOINER
MOTION: CARRIED

D.) Citation Appeal – Evins Broussard

Mr. Broussard was called before the Board for a formal hearing for One (1) count of advertising plumbing work without a license

PC: NONE
MOTION: TO DENY THE APPEAL REQUEST-VIOLATION STANDS
MOTION: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III
SECOND: JOHNNIE MARCADE
MOTION: CARRIED

E.) Citation Appeal – Scott Cyprian

Mr. Cyprian was called before the Board for a formal hearing for One (1) count of advertising plumbing work without a license

PC: NONE
MOTION: TO DENY THE APPEAL REQUEST-VIOLATION STANDS
MOTION: RICKEY FABRA
SECOND: JOHNNY MARCADE
MOTION: CARRIED

F.) Citation Appeal – Andrew Jeansonne

Mr. Jeansonne was called before the Board for a formal hearing for One (1) count of advertising plumbing work without a license.

PC: NONE
MOTION: TO DENY THE APPEAL REQUEST-VIOLATION STANDS
MOTION: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III
SECOND: WAYNE LAFLEUR
MOTION: CARRIED

G.) Citation Appeal – Marlon Mitchel

Mr. Mitchel was called before the Board for a formal hearing for
One (1) count of advertising plumbing work without a license and
One (1) count of operating a plumbing company without a license.

**Mr. Mitchel requested to be rescheduled for the next board meeting
scheduled for May 14, 2026.**

H.) Citation Appeal – Eric Mutrie

Mr. Mutrie was called before the Board for a formal hearing for
One (1) count of operating a plumbing company without a license.
One (1) count of performing master plumbing work without a license.
One (1) count of advertising plumbing work without a license

PC: NONE
**MOTION: TO DENY THE ADVERTSIMENT APPEAL
REQUEST, VIOLATION STANDS. AND TO
DISMISS THE OPERATING A PLUMBING
COMPANY AND MASTER PLUMBER WORK
WITH OUT A LICENSE**
MOTION: MICHAEL JOINER
SECOND: JOHNNIE MARCADE
MOTION: CARRIED

I.) Citation Appeal – Jerry Robinson

Mr. Robinson was called before the Board for a formal hearing for
One (1) count of advertising plumbing work without a license.

PC: NONE
**MOTION: TO DENY THE APPEAL REQUEST-VIOLATION
STANDS**
MOTION: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III
SECOND: WAYNE LAFLEUR
MOTION: CARRIED

J.) Citation Appeal – Rollin Smith

Mr. Smith was called before the Board for a formal hearing for
One (1) count of advertising plumbing work without a license.

PC: NONE
**MOTION: TO DENY THE APPEAL REQUEST-VIOLATION
STANDS**
MOTION: WAYNE LAFLEUR
SECOND: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III
MOTION: CARRIED

K.) Citation Appeal – Brant Zeller

Mr. Zeller was called before the Board for a formal hearing for
One (1) count of operating a plumbing company without a proper license.
One (1) count of advertising plumbing work without a proper license

PC: NONE

MOTION: TO DENY THE APPEAL AND REQUIRE THAT THE FINE BE PAID IN FULL. THE BOARD FURTHER DIRECTS THAT MR. ZELLER APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD PRIOR TO BEING ELIGIBLE TO RENEW HIS 2026 JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER LICENSE.

MOTION: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III

SECOND: MICHAEL JOINER

MOTION: CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORT

A.) Enforcement Committee—Mr. Giglio reported that, despite rumors circulating, the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana has maintained enforcement throughout the transition period and that the transition to the new enforcement model is progressing well. Mr. Giglio explained that the previous enforcement system was successfully sunset on December 31, 2025, and the new enforcement system was implemented on January 1, 2026. Since that time, the Board has successfully onboarded Officer Dykes as the first Investigative Enforcement Officer under the new enforcement model. He further reported that, based on the committee’s recommendations regarding qualifications for investigative officers, two additional positions were posted through Civil Service. The posting has since closed, and sixteen applications were received. The committee will be developing a protocol for reviewing and selecting candidates for these positions. Mr. Giglio also informed the Board that the State no longer utilizes the vehicle lease system, which has been previously communicated to Board members. Ms. Tullier researched the process for purchasing state vehicles, and that process is currently underway. Due to the time required for state vehicle procurement—often averaging up to nine months, the Board will continue using the mileage reimbursement platform for enforcement officers in the interim. Mr. Giglio concluded by stating that the Board hopes to have the two additional investigative officers onboarded and working prior to the next Board meeting and looks forward to the continued expansion of the enforcement program.

B.) Building Committee —Mr. Giglio reported that the Building Committee continues to make progress on the Shreveport facility. The committee recently met with the architect at the facility to begin developing plans to make the space suitable for testing, meetings, and part-time staffing needs. He stated that the project is moving forward as planned and that the estimated renovation costs will remain below the threshold for public bidding, which will allow the Board to streamline the process and move forward more efficiently. He further noted that the facility will provide several long-term benefits for the Board. For example, the Board will be able to host its annual Train-the-Trainer event at the facility rather than renting external space, resulting in cost savings. He concluded by stating that the project is progressing well and that the committee anticipates having the final renovation plans prepared by the next Board meeting.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

PC: NONE
MOTION: TO ACCEPT NOVEMBER 26, 2025, MINUTES AS RECORDED.
MOTION: WAYNE LAFLEUR
SECOND: JOHNNY MARCADE
MOTION: CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORT

- A.) Cash and Investment Position Overview**--Secretary Treasurer Rickey Fabra
Mr. Fabra read the cash and investment position summary report into record.
- B.) Quarterly Budget to Actual Financial Report** –Secretary Treasurer Rickey Fabra
Mr. Fabra reported as of January 31, 2026, total expenditures are \$548,395, which represents approximately 41% of the \$1,349,616 annual budget. Salaries and Benefits are at 33%, Professional Services at 53%, and Operating Expenses at 63%. Travel and Supplies are currently over budget at 32% and 23% over their respective budgeted amounts. These categories will continue to be monitored closely for the remainder of the fiscal year. On the revenue side, total collections to date are \$1,073,728, representing 83% of the \$1,286,800 annual revenue projection. License Fees are at 94% collected, Examination Fees at 51%, Enforcement Actions at 67%, Sales of Goods and Services at 93%, and Other Means of Financing at 60%. While revenue collections appear significantly ahead of the mid-year benchmark, it is important to note that the Board’s revenue cycle is seasonally weighted. The majority of license renewals occur between October and March, which results in higher revenue recognition during the first half of the fiscal year. As the renewal cycle concludes, revenue collections are expected to normalize for the remainder of the year. Although revenues currently outpace expenditures, this mid-year report does not yet reflect several planned expenditures, including enforcement officer vehicle purchases, building build-outs, and testing equipment and computer upgrades. These items were budgeted but have not yet been incurred due to timing. Additionally, the report does not include the required OPEB (Other Post-

Employment Benefits) actuarial adjustment, which will be calculated and recorded at year end. The Board had no questions.

Mr. Fabra concluded the report and commended the accounting staff, Mrs. Kaci Day, in conjunction with the Executive Director, Ms. Jones-Tullier, for the level of detail and dedication reflected in the report.

PC: NONE
MOTION: TO ACCEPT BOTH THE CASH AND INVESTMENT POSITION OVERVIEW AND THE QUARTERLY BUDGET TO ACTUAL AS READ
MOTION: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III
SECOND: JOHNNY MARCADE
MOTION: CARRIED

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Advisory Committee —Advisory Committee Chairman Mr. Joe Maranto reported that the Advisory Committee met earlier that day. During the meeting, an additional agenda item was added to discuss the Journeyman Practical Examination. Mr. Maranto first reported on matters related to the current legislative session. The committee requested that the Board monitor House Bill 235 (HB235), which addresses provisions related to septic tanks being installed by property owners rather than connecting to a municipal sewer system. The Advisory Committee made no recommendation at this time regarding the Board's position on the bill but wanted to bring it to the Board's attention for tracking purposes. Mr. Maranto then reported that a committee member raised concerns regarding the logistics of administering the new Journeyman Practical Examination. Specifically, questions were raised about the potential flow of examinees transitioning from the written examination to the practical examination area. The concern expressed was that there could be a delay or congestion if examinees completing the written exam must wait for others to finish the practical portion. The possibility of adding a second practical project was discussed as a way to address potential wait times. The Advisory Committee suggested that this matter be referred to the Exam Committee for further consideration.

Mr. Mike Joiner addressed the committee and explained that the new practical examination is designed to take approximately one hour, which is similar in scope to the current exam format. He stated that the examination includes approximately 30 minutes for the floor project, 15 minutes for brazing, and 15 minutes for the threading project. Mr. Joiner indicated that he does not anticipate significant delays or congestion; however, he asked the committee to clarify what specific changes they would like to see considered.

Mr. Maranto suggested that one possibility could be to mirror a process used in Texas, where examinees could gather fittings and review the isometric drawing as preparatory work while waiting for their practical project station to become available.

Mr. Joiner responded that if the Advisory Committee would like the matter to be formally reviewed by the Exam Committee, it may be beneficial to first proceed through the initial

implementation phase of the new practical examination. This would allow the Board to evaluate how the process functions in practice before considering additional changes.

Ms. Tullier commented that the new practical examination format was developed based on the model used in Texas. She explained that she, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Joiner previously traveled to Texas to meet with representatives of the Texas Plumbing Board to review their examination process. Ms. Tullier acknowledged the Advisory Committee's suggestion to refer the matter to the Exam Committee but noted that the Exam Committee has already met and spent a considerable amount of time developing the current format. She explained that the exam structure was designed based on the number of examinees typically tested and the capacity of the testing facilities. While she stated that the concept of allowing examinees to gather their fittings and review the isometric drawing while waiting could be beneficial, she expressed concern about making additional changes at this stage. Ms. Tullier noted that significant time and effort had already been invested by the committee, examiners, and Board members in developing and implementing the current examination process.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Chairman Terry Smith recognized each former Enforcement Officer and presented plaques in recognition of their years of dedicated service to the Board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director's Report —SPBLA Executive Director, Ms. Ashley Jones-Tullier, reported to the Board that the target rollout for the new Journeyman Practical Examination is May. She stated that examiner training had previously been conducted and that the Board received substantial feedback from examiners. Based on that feedback, several adjustments were identified to ensure clarity and consistency. The Board has since received the necessary materials and staff are currently working through those refinements, including updates to the isometric drawing. Ms. Jones-Tullier noted that implementing a new examination process requires significant coordination, including examiner preparation, material updates, and procedural adjustments. She explained that staff will also be required to track both the previous exam format and the new format during the transition period. Ms. Jones-Tullier further reported that the Board's online application system is currently in the final "sandbox" testing phase. She explained that the system has required extensive coordination with IT due to various bugs and technical issues that had to be resolved. The testing process includes running applications through a temporary system that processes actual payments to ensure all functions operate correctly. Although the process has presented challenges, staff anticipate the system will be ready for launch soon. Once implemented, the online application system will modernize the Board's intake process and improve administrative efficiency. Ms. Jones-Tullier noted that the Board's previous implementation of online license renewals has significantly reduced processing time and has been well received by licensees. She expressed hope that the online application system will provide similar benefits. She also reminded the Board that credit card processing

costs will need to be monitored. The Board currently absorbs those fees, since a previously approved \$10 processing charge is applied. The Board will continue to budget for these processing costs moving forward. Staff are currently conducting internal training and adjusting workflow processes to ensure the system functions smoothly once implemented. She also confirmed that the Board intends to host this year's Train-the-Trainer event at the Shreveport facility. The proposal includes securing a hotel room block for attendees while holding the training sessions at the Board's facility. As previously noted by Mr. Giglio, this approach is expected to significantly reduce venue and catering costs. If successful, the Board may consider evaluating a similar model for future events in Baton Rouge. Ms. Jones-Tullier thanked Mr. Joe Maranto, Chairman of the Advisory Committee, and the committee members for monitoring legislation during the pre-file period. She noted that the Board anticipates a legislative bill that may be introduced that would enhance the Board's enforcement capabilities. The proposed language has been reviewed with legislative counsel; however, the Board is still seeking a legislative author as filing deadlines approach. She stated that the Board will continue monitoring the situation and provide updates as they become available. Ms. Jones-Tullier also reported that the Board reviewed the Budget-to-Actual Comparison Report, which was prepared in coordination with Mr. Fabra. She explained that this report is a new requirement established by the state legislature and that the Board will review the report on a quarterly basis moving forward. She further noted that the Board utilizes a weighted budget. Although the report currently reflects approximately 93% of projected revenue, this is largely due to the recent completion of the license renewal cycle. Revenue is expected to normalize in the coming months as renewal activity declines. Ms. Jones-Tullier noted that several key financial and operational considerations remain for the Board, including the Shreveport facility renovations, procurement of enforcement vehicles, potential expansion of investigative staffing, and overall operational budgeting. She concluded by acknowledging the significant amount of work staff have undertaken during this period of transition and publicly thanked staff for their dedication, professionalism, and willingness to take on additional responsibilities to ensure the agency continues to operate effectively.

OLD BUSINESS

A.) Exam Reports

1.) RESIDENTIAL LIMITED PLUMBER EXAMINATION & NATURAL GAS FITTER EXAMINATIONS.+

- a.) November 15, 2025—Doyle Solly**
- b.) February 21, 2026—Michael Joiner**

2.) JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER November 8, 2025—Johnnie Marcade

- a.) November 15, 2025—Doyle Solly**
- b.) January 10, 2026—Michael Joiner**
- c.) January 31, 2026—Wayne LaFleur**

3.) MASTER PLUMBER EXAMINATIONS

a.) February 07, 2026—Wayne LaFleur

NEW BUSINESS

A.) Consideration of revision to examination training requirements for examiners and custodians to permit training on an as-needed basis when examination content or assignments change, in lieu of annual training — Chairman, Smith--Action Item

PC: NONE
MOTION: TO REQUIRE MANDATORY TRAINING AT A MINIMUM OF EVERY OTHER YEAR, AND TO REQUIRE NEW EXAMINERS TO ATTEND AN EXAM AS AN APPRENTICE EXAMINER FOR TRAINING UPON ONBOARDING.
MOTION: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III
SECOND: MICHAEL JOINER
MOTION: CARRIED

B.) 2026 Approval of New CPE Instructor — Action Item

PC: NONE
MOTION: TO APPROVE THE 2026 CPE INSTRUCTOR
MOTION: MICHAEL JOINER
SECOND: VICE-CHAIRMAN, VINCENT GIGLIO III
MOTION: CARRIED

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

MAY 14, 2026 —Baton Rouge-Claiborne Building

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: TO ADJOURN THE QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING
MOTION: RICKEY FABRA
SECOND: JOHNNIE MARCADE
MOTION: CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry Smith, Chairman

Rickey Fabra, Secretary/ Treasurer