

1 **LOUISIANA EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ASSOCIATION**
2 **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**
3 **May 8, 2023**
4 **Lake Charles, LOUISIANA**

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6 MEETING MINUTES

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8 I. CALL TO ORDER

9 President Vikki Travis called the meeting to order at 1:08 PM
10 A quorum was present to conduct business.

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12 **Members Present in Person or Proxy:**

13 Vikki Travis
14 Eric Deroche
15 Amy Dawson
16 Terry Guidry
17 Benjamin Walker
18 Christina Dayries
19 Casey Tingle
20 Danielle Maples
21 Dawson Primes
22 Deano Moran
23 Missy Cowart - proxy given to Vicki Travis
24 Mark Ward
25 Skip Breeden

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29 **Members Excused:**

30 Gene Dunnigan for LTC Jay Oliphant
31 Liz Hill

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34 **Members Absent:**

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36 **Guests:**

37 Dee Pidgeon
38 Dale Viola Jr.
39 Anthony Summers
40 Jennifer Constantin

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I. OFFICER REPORTS

- A. President – Vikki Travis – Vicki discussed how well the LEMC was going to be and thanked everyone for their help in planning. A huge thank you to those who got vendors and sponsors for the meeting.
- B. Vice President – No Report. Ben made a motion to approve the January meeting minutes, Amy seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- C. Treasurer – Eric Deroche - discussed the March 31st financials and LEPA has an estimated \$267,000 in the bank before the conference. Eric made a motion to accept the financials as presented. Skip accepted the motion, Deano seconded, and the motion passed.

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. CERTIFICATION – Amy is working on verbiage for creating reciprocity for people with CEM. Motion was made by Amy to create reciprocity for LEMPRO for those who have CEM. Motion was seconded by Skip and motion approved. Amy will work on wording.
- B. CHARTER AND BYLAWS –No report. Ben reported that nothing is going on with bylaws. Ben will look at the wording for the committees.
- C. LEGISLATIVE – Casey Tingle gave a report on the recent legislative session.
- D. MEMBERSHIP – No Report. Office will work on a flyer for membership.
- E. NOMINATING –No Report.
- F. WORKSHOP – Awards will be given out at the conference on Tuesday.
- G. SOCIAL MEDIA – Anthony Summers –committee developed #LAEMC2023 for the 2023 conference. Committee will post with hashtag and work on twitter and Instagram posts. The committee will video board members and attendees at conference for content.
- H. EDUCATION – no report.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Nominations were open for new board members. A motion was made by Amy to elect Ben as President and Mark as President Elect. Motion was approved by Eric and seconded by Dawson and the motion was approved. A motion was made by Vicki to elect Eric Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Deano and the motion was approved.

99 **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

100 The meeting adjourned at 1:57 pm.

101 The next LEPA board meeting will be held on August 18th, 2023 at the main office.

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104 Respectfully submitted,

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108 Melanie Talley

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