



## LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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### MEETING MINUTES

## **LOUISIANA AUTOMOBILE THEFT & INSURANCE FRAUD PREVENTION AUTHORITY**

Tuesday, October 9, 2018 10:00 am  
LDI 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room  
1702 North Third Street, Poydras Building  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Members present: Warren Byrd, Kade Griffon, David Stelly, Thomas Jeter, Donnie Ladatto Jr., Richard Hagey

Members absent: Cleve Franklin, Don Resweber, Thomas McCormick, David Clements, Michael Huval

Staff present: Darie Jordan Williams, Kevin Smith

Chairman Byrd called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

Mr. Jeter moved to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2018 meeting. Mr. Hagey seconded the motion. After allowing for public comment, of which there was none, the minutes were approved without objection.

Mrs. Jordan Williams gave the budget update.

Mr. Applewhite did not have the quarterly NICB report but agreed to email it to Ms Jordan. He reported that Richard Gill is the new commander of the Baton Rouge Police Auto Burglary Division. Baton Rouge has asked about a mobile LPR that can mount to a trailer that can be moved to locations throughout the city. Mr Byrd asked if other anti-automobile theft tools were available to law enforcement. Mr. Applewhite reported that LATIFPA purchased Pole Cameras for State Police, which are located in New Orleans and Baton Rouge. My Byrd asked if we should lower the 100K plus resident requirement in the grant application. Mr. Smith mentioned that in the past, exceptions have been made to accommodate smaller law enforcement agencies.

Ms. Jordan mentioned the success of Southern University LPR demonstration grant and asked if we should supply units to other universities across the state. A decision was made to ask the selected universities to partner with local police and the units would be located on a main thoroughfare going into or away from campus. The following Universities were mentioned for deployment:



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University of Louisiana Monroe  
University of Louisiana Lafayette  
Southeastern Louisiana University  
Louisiana Tech  
Northwestern Louisiana University.

A decision was made to move forward with UL Monroe, Southeastern and Northwestern. These were selected based upon the transient commuter nature of the schools, their size and their ability to partner with local police. If a school chose not to partner with LATIFPA, another school mentioned would be contacted. The goal is to eventually provide LPR's to all universities across the state. If funds were available after deployment of the LPR's, LATIFPA would use the remaining funds for public awareness initiatives.

Mr. Smith provided an end of the year report on schools visited and community events. He participated in 46 community events reaching 13,150 participants. LATIFPA was a featured speaker at 25 of these events. LATIFPA participated in 36 school events reaching 2,895 students.

There being no other business, Mr. Jeter moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ladatto seconded the motion. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.