

**MINUTES OF THE
LOUISIANA ENGINEERS SELECTION BOARD
January 11, 2023**

A meeting of the Louisiana Engineers Selection Board (LESB) was held in the Claiborne Building, 1201 N. Third Street, Room 1-100, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802 on January 11, 2023.

The meeting was called to order at 11:06 a.m. by Mr. Warren Hull, Vice Chairperson. Those members present were: Mr. Warren Hull, Mr. Kent Poyser, Mr. Jim Ferguson and Mr. Jason Sooter. Those members absent were: Mr. Ali Mustapha. Also present as Legal Counsel was Mr. Ryan Montegut, Attorney General's Office.

The first item of business was the annual nomination and election of a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. Ms. Smothers stated that if the Board chose to keep the current Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, a motion could be entertained. Mr. Hull made the motion to continue with the current persons, and Mr. Poyser seconded the motion. With no opposition, Mr. Mustapha was re-elected as Chairperson, and Mr. Hull was re-elected as Vice Chairperson.

The next item of business was the adoption of the October 12, 2022 minutes. Mr. Poyser moved to adopt the minutes, and Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion. With no opposition, the October 12, 2022 minutes were adopted.

The next item of business was to ask for any new business. There was none.

The next item of business was to ask for any public comments. There was none.

The next item of business was the selection of designers.

Item #1: Contraband Bayou Erosion Retaining Wall Phase II, McNeese State University, Lake Charles, Louisiana; Project No. 19-627-12-03, F.19002437; Mr. Kevin Martin gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 1 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
B – Manchac Consulting Group, Inc.	Absent	3	2	2	2	3	12
A – C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, L.L.C.		1	3	3	3	2	12
D – SJB Group, LLC		2	1	1		1	5
C – K&M Project Services, LLC					1		1

Final Ballot between Firm B and Firm A

Project # 1 Firm	Final Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
B – Manchac Consulting Group, Inc.	Absent	X				X	2
A – C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, L.L.C.			X	X	X		3

By majority vote the firm of C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, L.L.C. was selected.

Item #2: Hull Repair & Reinforcement, Superstructure Repair, Interior Restoration, & Painting of USS KIDD DD-661, Docking Cradle Repairs & Upgrade, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Project No. 06-A98-22-01, F.06002320; Mr. Parks Stephenson gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 2 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
GIS Engineering, LLC	Absent	3	Recused	3	3	3	12

By unanimous vote, the contract was awarded to the firm of GIS Engineering, LLC.

Item #3: Central Steam Generator – Switch Gear, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana; Project No. 19-625-22-02, F.19002432; Mr. Sam Wallace gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 3 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
A – John J. Guth Associates, Inc.	Absent	2	3	3	3	3	14
D – Aillet, Fenner, Jolly & McClelland, Inc.		3	2	2	2	2	11
B – EMA Engineering & Consulting, Inc.		1	1		1	1	4
C – Manchac Consulting Group, Inc.				1			1

By majority of first place votes, the contract was awarded to the firm of John J. Guth Associates, Inc.

Item #4: Refurbish and Repairs to the Wastewater System, Elayn Hunt Correctional Center, St. Gabriel, Louisiana; Project No. 01-107-18-02, F.01004412; Mr. Tim Byrd gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 4 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
E – Forte & Tablada, Inc.	Absent	3	2		3	3	11
A – Hartman Engineering, Inc.			3	1	2	2	8
B – Manchac Consulting Group, Inc.		2	1	3	1	1	8
D – Infinity Engineering Consultants, LLC		1		2			3

By majority of first place votes, the contract was awarded to the firm of Forte & Tablada, Inc.

Item #5: Streetscape Repairs, Powerhouse Lane to North Stadium, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Project No. 19-671-22-01, F.19002440; Mr. Tony Lombardo gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 5 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
I – Forte & Tablada, Inc.	Absent	Reclused	2			3	5
G – Duplantis Design Group, PC			3	3	3	2	11
F – All South Consulting Engineers, LLC					1	1	2
H – Manchac Consulting Group, Inc.			1	1	2		4
A – Meyer Engineers, Ltd.				2			2

By majority of first place votes, the contract was awarded to the firm of Duplantis Design Group, PC.

Item #6: Laboratory Ventilation and Fume Hood Improvements, Pursley Hall, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, Louisiana; Project No. 19-671-22-01, F.19002433; Mr. Ken Howe gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 6 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
A – Damien W. Serauskas, P.E.	Absent	2	2	1	3	3	11
D – Salas O’Brien		3	3	3	2	2	13
B – Thompson, Luke & Associates, LLC			1	2	1	1	5
C – Marrero, Couvillon & Associates, LLC		1					1

By majority of first place votes, the contract was awarded to the firm of Salas O’Brien.

Item #7: Replacement of HVAC Units and Associated Mechanical and Electrical Work, Charleston Building – SOWELA Technical College, Louisiana Community Technical College System (LCTCS), Lake Charles, Louisiana; Project No. SOWELA08-2023; Mr. Anthony Brown gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 7 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
A – Associated Design Group, Inc.	Absent	2	3	2	3	3	13
B – Marrero, Couvillon & Associates, LLC		3	2	3	2	2	12

By majority of first place votes, the contract was awarded to the firm of Associated Design Group, Inc.

Item #8: HVAC Repairs, Dormitories 1 and 2, Villa Feliciana Medical Complex, Jackson, Louisiana; Project No. 01-107-18-02, F.01004408; Mr. Paul Hiestand gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 8 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
D – Assaf, Simoneaux, Tauzin & Associates, Inc.	Absent	3	2	2	3	3	13
B – Thompson, Luke & Associates, LLC		2	3	3	2	2	12
A – Damien W. Serauskas, P.E.						1	1
C – Eyre Engineering, LLC		1		1	1		3
E – Salas O’Brien			1				1

By majority of first place votes, the contract was awarded to the firm of Assaf, Simoneaux, Tauzin & Associates, Inc.

Item #9: Cooling Tower Replacement, Delgado Community College, New Orleans, Louisiana; Project No. 19-671-22-01, F.19002431; Mr. Anthony Brown gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 9 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
G – Crumb Engineering, LLC	Absent	2	3	1	3	3	12
F – IMC Consulting Engineers, Inc.		1	1	2	2	2	8
C – Marrero, Couvillon & Associates, LLC		3		3	1	1	8
E – Salas O’Brien			2				2

By majority of first place votes, the contract was awarded to the firm of Crumb Engineering, LLC.

Item #10: HVAC Repairs and Upgrades, Prescott Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Project No. 19-671-22-01, F.19002439; Mr. Tony Lombardo gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 10 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
B – Eyre Engineering, LLC	Absent	2	2	2	3	3	12
D – Assaf, Simoneaux, Tauzin & Associates, Inc.			1			2	3
C – Marrero, Couvillon & Associates, LLC		3		3	1	1	8
A – Thompson, Luke & Associates, LLC		1	3	1	2		7

Final Ballot between Firm B and Firm C

Project # 10 Firm	Final Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
B – Eyre Engineering, LLC	Absent		X		X	X	3
C – Marrero, Couvillon & Associates, LLC		X		X			2

By majority vote the firm of Eyre Engineering, LLC was selected.

Item #11: Resurface Lot 7, Louisiana State University at Alexandria, Alexandria, Louisiana; Project No. LSUA-2022-01; Mr. Tony Lombardo gave a brief scope of the project; votes were recorded as follows:

Project # 11 Firm	Nomination Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
A – Monceaux-Buller & Associates, LLC	Absent	1	2	1	3	3	10
C – Meyer, Meyer, LaCroix & Hixson, Inc.		3	3	2	1	2	11
E – Ballard CLC, Inc.		2	1	3	2	1	9

Final Ballot between Firm A and Firm C

Project # 11 Firm	Final Ballot						Total
	Mustapha	Ferguson	Hull	Poyser	Sooter	User	
A – Monceaux-Buller & Associates, LLC	Absent				X	X	2
C – Meyer, Meyer, LaCroix & Hixson, Inc.		X	X	X			3

By majority vote the firm of Meyer, Meyer, LaCroix & Hixson, Inc. was selected.

There being no further business, Mr. Poyser moved to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Mr. Ferguson. There being no opposition, the meeting was adjourned at 12:08 p.m.