October 30, 2025

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

A Board of Directors meeting for the Surplus Lines Stamping Office of Texas was held in-person at the SLTX Office, 1601 E. Pflugerville Parkway, Pflugerville, TX, 78660.

AGENDA

October 30, 2025 Board of Directors Meeting Agenda		
Item 1.	Call to Order and Establishment of a Quorum	Nick Lawrence, Board Member
Item 2.	Discussion and Appropriate Approval: - September 26, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes	Nick Lawrence, Board Member
Item 3.	Discussion and Appropriate Action: - 2026 Budget	Ronnie Ford, Director of Finance
Item 4.	Adjournment	Nick Lawrence, Board Member

Item 1. Call to Order | Nick Lawrence, Board Member

Nick Lawrence, designated Chair of the Board for this meeting, called the meeting to order on October 30, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.

A conference call-in number was included in the Public Meeting Notice. Written notice of the meeting was sent to the Texas Department of Insurance, including the Deputy Commissioner of the Financial Regulation Division and her designees on October 20, 2025, in accordance with the SLTX Plan of Operation, Section 2(c)(2). Notice and agenda were also submitted to the Office of the Secretary of State on October 23, 2025, in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. All board members were notified on September 30, 2025.

Lawrence then called roll to establish a quorum, as required by Section 2 (c)(6) of the Plan.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT

Nick Lawrence
Jason Cables, via Teams
Jim Bishop, via Teams
Jeff Klein, via Teams
Esequiel Nathal, via Teams
Leah Bennett, via Teams
Lezlee Liljenberg, via Teams
Ryan Bridges, via Teams

ALSO PRESENT

Greg Brandon, Executive Director, SLTX
Denisse Amezquita, Director of Human Resources, SLTX
Sholonda Stone, Director of ITS, SLTX
Ronnie Ford, Director of Finance, SLTX
Toby P., Director of Policy Intake & Analysis, SLTX
Marissa G., Administrative Assistant, SLTX
Ariel R., Business Analyst, SLTX, via Teams
Dalton M., Sr. Lead Developer, SLTX, via Teams
Jay O., Sr. Software Architect, SLTX, via Teams

Kacper R., Front End Developer, SLTX, via Teams

Kristian P., Policy & Data Analyst, SLTX, via Teams

Robyn P., Policy Analyst, SLTX, via Teams

Rodolfo C., IT Support Specialist, SLTX, via Teams

Sharmila S., UAT Lead, SLTX, via Teams

Nathan O., Sr. Policy Analyst, SLTX, via Teams

Paul Rainey, TSLA Liaison, RSI International, Inc., via Teams

Michael Nored, General Counsel, Mitchell Williams, Selig, Gates & Woodyard, PLLC, via Teams Jeff McWhirt, General Counsel, Mitchell Williams, Selig, Gates & Woodyard, PLLC, via Teams

David Dodd, Office of Financial Counsel, Texas Department of Insurance

Andrew Guerrero, Company Licensing & Registration Office, Texas Department of Insurance

Minutes taken by SLTX Staff.

Administrative housekeeping announcements:

- Antitrust activity or discussion are prohibited at all Stamping Office functions. This prohibition includes exchange of information concerning individual company rates, coverages, market practices, claims settlement practices, expenses, or any other competitive aspect of an individual company's operation.
- 2. No public comments. Public and media attendees should mute lines.
- 3. Representatives of state agencies and members of the public are welcome to observe or record but refrain from asking questions or making comments.
- 4. State personnel present may be asked questions related to an agenda item.
- 5. Members, counsel, and staff participating by phone should identify themselves and mute lines.

Item 2. Discussion and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: September 26, 2025 | Nick Lawrence Board Member

Board members received a copy of the September 26, 2025, meeting minutes. With no questions or comments, Lawrence asked for a motion for approval.

Motion: Cables | Second: Liljenberg | Approved Unanimously

Item 3. Discussion and Appropriate Action: 2026 Budget | Ronnie Ford, Director of Finance

Ms. Ford presented changes for 2026 Proposed Budget presented in September.

Salaries & Benefits: had a 3% decrease, from \$6,828,191 to \$6,597,857, a decrease of \$230,334 due to lower-than-expected benefits costs.

Contingencies: decreased by \$1,100.

Total budget is now \$8,882,850, down from \$9,114,337.

Klein asked to clarify the Revenue portion. Ford clarified revenue was net. Lawrence asked for questions or further discussion. Hearing none, Lawrence asked Ford if there was a recommendation for the board.

Conclusion: Ford recommended the Board adopt the 2026 proposed budget as presented in accordance with Section 2(b)(7) of the Surplus Lines Staffing Office Plan of Operation.

Motion: Klein | Second: Bennett | Approved Unanimously

Item 4: Adjournment | Nick Lawrence, Board Member

There being no other business before the Board, Lawrence requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:09 AM.

Motion: Liljenberg | Second: Cables | Approved Unanimously

Leah Bennett, Secretary