# Meeting Minutes

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CENTRAL LOUISIANA COA BRANCH		
ATTENDANCE	President:LCDR Sandra Pelto- presentPresident Elect:LT Oluwaseun Foluke -presentSecretary:LCDR Jennifer Curtis- presentPresent Members:Huff, Jennifer - absentUdemgba, Chigozie - presentHarris, William – presentHarris, William – presentJamie Martinez- presentJamie Martinez- presentCurrent Roster:CDRKianne D. CasperLCDRJennifer N. CurtisCDRAmy L. StrainCAPTAurelia M. ThomasLTOluwaseun K. FolukeLCDRSandra J. PeltoLTLTLTLT digozie Udemgba, DrPHCDRVilliam David Harris, Jr.CDRPenny M. StrotherLCDRShane L. PennisonLCDRShane L. PennisonLCDRJamie T. HuffLCDRWillis Ryan SteortzLCDRRoger BallardPatrick Humphries Letaya RobinsonLCDRLCDR DAVID RAY JACKSON, Jr.LCDRWillie Vasquez, Jr.	
AGENDA	<ol> <li>Approval of Minutes: Meeting Date: 12/13/2022 1<sup>st</sup> Motion: LCDR Martinez 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: LT Mjolsness Approved</li> <li>Announcements: -2023 Election results President: LCDR Sandra Pelto President Elect: LT Oluwaseun Foluke Secretary: LCDR Jennifer Curtis Treasurer: LT Joshua Mjolsness</li> </ol>	

	-2022 Meeting Minutes were submitted to COF
	3. Reports:
	A. Treasurer - LT Mjolsness- we need to open a bank account, first federal is the best option, Motion to approve first federal- LCDR Curtis 2 <sup>nd</sup> LT Mjolsness; LCDR Martinez, Pelto, Mjolsness to be on account
	<ul> <li>B. Awards Committee: LCDR Martinez to Chair, keep a group writ up for small branch of the year</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>C. Outreach committee – LSUA career fair in March, 3 person at a time to do a table and rotate, IHSC communicator publication, attended region 6 public,</li> <li>D. Communications- LT Udemgba- considering options to get teams, Mjolsness started a web page, need pictures, bylaws, get consent from people before</li> </ul>
	posting, E. Retention and Recruitment- LCDR Steortz- no report
ANNOUNCEMEN TS	<ol> <li>2023 Elections         CENLA COA Election 2023         President Elect         LT Oluwaseun Foluke         Secretary         LCDR Jennifer Curtis         Treasurer         LT Joshua Mjolsness         Z023 USPHS Scientific &amp; Training Symposium         May 8-11, 2023         Cox Business Convention Center         Tulsa Oklahoma         #USPHS2023         <u>https://www.phscof.org/registration/</u>         Funding pending from MQMU         Register by March 21, 2023 for early bird.         CDR Dan Fletcher is retirement dinner details to come.         1 June. Terminal leave starts 14 Mar         CDR Dan Fletcher has served as a PHS         officer for over 24 years. His duty to the         nation is impressive. CDR Fletcher has         had an exciting career. He has worked         in various positions, locations, and         agencies, including IHS, IHSC, FEMA,         and U.S. Marshals. CDR Fletcher does</li></ol>
	work that is instrumental and critical to
	the success of IHSC.
	4. Preparedness Trainings:
	5. PHS Deployment Safety Academy for Field Experience (D-SAFE) Consortium.

PHS D-SAFE is designed to provide a baseline knowledge for Public Health Service officers deployed to highly infectious disease environments. Public Health Service officers will train on subjects addressing their self-care, personal safety, and security to prepare them for deployment. This will be provided through on-line and in-person training, including virtual training using the state-of-the-art simulation resources at the dedicated high-capacity training center at UNMC.

#### 6. PHS Regional Deployment Role Training (Region 8):

The PHS Regional Deployment Role Training aims to provide relevant, missionfocused resources and trainings critical for maintenance of readiness and adequate preparation for future public health emergencies and/or threats. This 5-day training will build upon their current skills and provide a sustainable training delivery model that improves the efficiency and performance of all Public Health Service officers to respond to public health and medical emergencies, urgent public health needs, and special national security events.

### 7. USPHS Emergency Response Training (ERT):

USPHS has partnered with Emory University to design and develop a refresher skills training program for clinicians with a focus on disaster and emergency response. Emory University, coordinated through the Office of Critical Event Preparedness and Response (CEPAR), has collaborated with subject matter experts from the schools of Medicine, Nursing, Emergency Medicine, Prehospital and Disaster Medicine, and the Emory Nursing Experience/Simulation Center. Emory has provided a blended learning environment for the USPHS Commissioned Corps. This includes didactic materials provided through a learning management system and scenario-based psychomotor skills validation.

## 8. Officer Intermediate Course:

The USPHS Commissioned Corps Officer Intermediate Course Training aims to build on the foundations set forth in the Officer Basic Course (OBC) and prepare the Public Health Service officers with knowledge, disposition, and skills necessary to serve as intermediate level Public Health Service officers and the future leaders of the United States Public Health Service. This 5-day training builds upon their current skills and provides a sustainable training delivery model that aims to improve efficiency and performance of Public Health Service officers. They will learn the skills necessary to lead effectively, including assertive communication, motivation methods, problem-solving, strategic decision-making, and teamwork

## 9. Advanced Leadership Training

The USPHS Advanced Leadership Development Program focuses on developing practical solutions to contemporary public health challenges in leadership and management on deployment and at your duty station.

OLD BUSINESS	Shown on the Under Armour Locker Performance Shirt 2.0 in Royal Try it on nore styles and colors	
NEW BUSINESS	Wreaths across America, JOAG event planned, homeless shelter volunteering in Alexandria, Salvation Army, Grace House, Hope House, Food Drive, Sock October Drive, toys for tots, habitat for humanity, Northwestern nursing school, small branch of the year won recruitment materials and branch website, monthly, mentorship, readiness, updates, continuing education courses. Fundraising events need to be discussed.	
MOTION TO ADJOURN:	1 <sup>st</sup> : LT Mjolsness 2 <sup>nd</sup> : LCDR Martinez	
PERSON	ACTION ITEMS	
LCDR Martinez	Tablecloth	
LT Mjolsness	Bank Account	
LCDR Curtis	Habitat for Humanity	
LCDR Pelto	Fundraiser Event Guidelines	
Next Meeting: April 11, 2023 @ 11:00am CDT		