

LEHA BOARD MEETING
Thursday, November 16, 2000
Doubletree Hotel, New Orleans, LA

1. Call to Order – President-Elect Joan Adams at the request of President Mike Vince who could not attend

2. Roll Call – Marian Aguillard

Present - Joan Adams, Ed Flynn, Sharon Parker, Marian Aguillard, George Gullett, Brenda Coon, Claude Lewis, Jodi Miller, Susan Welch, Henry Graham, Walter Pichon, James Balsamo, Truman McDaniel, Bette Vidrine, and Mary Miller

Absent –James Antoon

Excused – Michael Vince, Robert Freeman, Jay Pecot, Linda Gipson, Judy McCleary, and Shan Schatzle

3. Reading of the Minutes – Marian Aguillard

Sharon Parker moved and Brenda Coon seconded to accept the minutes as distributed. The motion passed.

4. Treasurer's Report – George Gullett

Henry Graham moved and Claude Lewis seconded to accept the treasurer's report as distributed. The motion passed.

5. Committee Reports –

Professional Development - Ed Flynn: A report of the committee's recent activities was distributed. Ed acknowledged the hard work of the committee. The brochure is just waiting on the Pre-Conference workshop to be finalized. They will still need Sponsor posters and ribbons for the name tags. Brenda Coon reported that Dr. Hartley has accepted our invitation to conduct the pre-conference workshop and she will be getting the details to Judy for the brochure. Since there will be no charge from Dr. Hartley, Sharon and Brenda will investigate providing lunch for the workshop participants. Moderator duties are listed in the committee report. The committee has requested that Bios be sent in before the conference. Sharon and Mike are getting the audio-visual stuff together. Sharon will be bringing a boom box for the intro music. George is getting the neck straps for the name tags. George is also receiving the registrations from Pam Berthelot at LDEQ. A process is needed to allow spouses and guests to attend the reception. Marian will type up an evaluation form. Jim Balsamo moved and Jodi Miller seconded to accept the report. The motion passed.

Publicity - Jay Pecot: No report.

Awards - Jodi Miller: Jodi handed out forms and everyone chose one undergraduate and one graduate candidate. Walter Pichon was nominated for Outstanding Sanitarian. Jim Balsamo moved to make the award to Walter and George seconded. The motion passed. The Outstanding Environmental Professional Award was delayed to the end of the meeting. Copies of the nominations were distributed. Marian, Jodi and Susan spoke for their respective nominees. Forms were distributed and counted. The results of the balloting are as follows:

Outstanding Sanitarian of the Year

Outstanding Environmental Professional of the Year

Scholarship Awards

Undergraduate -

Graduate -

Walter Pichon

Jim Balsamo

Jill Matte from LSU

Angela Guidry from McNeese

Resolutions - Joan Adams: We don't have any resolutions proposed at this time.

Constitution & By-laws – Susan Welch: No requests for changes have been made so far.

Nominating - Sharon Parker: The committee will be meeting on Monday.

Membership - Judy McCleary: No report. George thinks we have two new members.

Web Update (Ad Hoc) – Sharon Parker: The web is up to date as far as they know. There are problems with the registration forms printing out correctly which can't be fixed - its a function of the user's computer and printer setup. We need to do something for Mike's son soon like a certificate or something to go in his portfolio. Jodi will do this and a letter. Jodi will also get some kind of gift to present to him at the conference for all his hard work. Jodi will also be doing a certificate for the workshop and conference participants.

Education & Information – Brenda Coon: See Professional Development report.

6. Old Business -

Minutes - Bette and Mary need for someone to convert the minutes to Word Perfect and then e-mail the minutes to them. They can't read the Word version at all.

New Business -

Board Members - Jim Balsamo moved and Bette Vidrine seconded that anyone who has missed board meetings in accordance with the Bylaws be dropped and the alternates appointed to their place. The motion passed. James Antoon will be dropped and Mary Miller will take his place.

Conference 2002 - Marian moved and Claude seconded that we go ahead and determine the dates and locations for the next conference in order to begin advertising it at this years conference. The motion passed. Marian, Ed, Sharon and Brenda will form this committee and set the date and location for the 2002 conference.

NEHA – Jodi advised that the exams have been changed for the sanitarians. Jodi received a letter from NEHA on this. Marian will scan it in and send it to all Board members. Jim Balsamo said that we should take a position on the national test at some point in the future. A resolution could be done this year. Jim, Walter, and Joan will work on it. We will need to do a newsletter to publish the resolution before Christmas in order to get in the required 30 days notice period before the annual business meeting.

7. Adjournment – Marian moved and Jodi seconded that we adjourn after a brief tour of the conference facilities. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM.

The next meeting will be the annual business meeting scheduled for February 1, 2001 at the Doubletree Hotel in New Orleans.

Respectfully submitted by Marian Aguillard on December 12, 2000.