



**Louisiana Environmental Health Association  
Business Meeting Minutes  
Holidome, Lafayette, LA  
January 30, 2003, 1:30 pm**

**Call to Order**

President Edward Flynn called the meeting to order at 1:02pm.

**Presentation of Past President's Plaque**

Past President Joan Adams presented President Ed Flynn with the President's plaque. Ed became the new Past President and Marian Aguillard moved automatically to President for the 2002-2003 year.

**Nominations and Voting**

Joan Adams, Nominations Chair, presented the nominations. Walter Pichon was nominated for President Elect, Robert Freeman for Vice President, James Miller for Treasurer, and Jodi Miller for Secretary. Nominations were requested from the floor three times. No other nominations were heard. Steve Aguillard moved to accept the nominations as noted above. Claude Lewis seconded. The nominations were approved by acclamation.

Joan Adams, then presented nominations for 5 Board seats and 2 alternates. These were: Judy McCleary, Claudia Richard, Chris Carville, Joan Adams, Susan Welch, and Henry Graham. Nominations were then requested from the floor. Carey Dicharry was nominated. Close of nominations for these positions were noticed three times. Jim Balsamo moved to accept the nominations. Marian Aguillard seconded, and the motion carried.

After voting took place and the totals were counted, the new Board members are as follows:

**Board positions ending in January 2007 are:**

Susan Welch  
Claudia Richard  
Joan Adams

**Board position ending in January 2005 is:**

Chris Carville

**Board position ending in January 2004 is:**

Henry Graham

Two alternates are:

Carey Dicharry  
Judy McCleary

Jim Balsamo requested that we send the new Board list to NEHA. Marian asked that we update the web page, leha.net, with Award information, pictures, and other information from the conference.

### **Discussion - State Science Fair Awards**

Joan Adams opened a discussion that LEHA present a small award to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners of an Environmental Health project for Junior High and Senior High students at the State Science Fair. After some discussion, Joan presented the motion that “LEHA offer a monetary award at the State Science Fair to junior high school students for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners of an outstanding project in the environmental/health field, not to exceed \$100 total (specifically 1<sup>st</sup> place being awarded \$50; 2<sup>nd</sup> place being awarded \$25, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place being awarded \$25).” Robert Freeman seconded, and the motion carried.

Claude Lewis motioned that “LEHA offer a monetary award at the State Science Fair to high school students for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners of an outstanding project in the environmental/health field, not to exceed \$100 total (specifically 1<sup>st</sup> place being awarded \$50; 2<sup>nd</sup> place being awarded \$25, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place being awarded \$25).” Linda Brown seconded, and the motion carried.

### **Discussion – 2004 Conference**

Robert Freeman requested suggestions for the 2004 Conference. He wants to get a head start. Margaret Metcalf was mentioned as a potential speaker. Susan Welch may be a good contact for a speaker from Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP). This is a food inspection process where Hazard Analysis is performed at each of the Critical Control Points in the food storage, preparation, and service process for restaurant, grocery stores, food processors, etc.

There was a discussion about CEUs. James Miller mentioned that a contact hour was 1/10 of a CEU. The La. State Board of Examiners and the La. Sanitarian Board may accept the conference as contact hours or CEUs. The Professional Development Committee was asked for assistance.

### **Discussion – Moving Business Meeting**

Marian Aguillard led a discussion to move the Business Meeting until after the Conference Keynote Speaker or try other things to build interest. No resolutions. James suggested that we add the Business meeting to the Conference Agenda.

### **Discussion – Automatic Membership with Paid Conference**

James Miller led a discussion to authorize automatic membership with paid conference. After some discussion, it was by and large thought to be a good thing. Contributions to the scholarship can still be handled. The matter was tabled for the next Board meeting, to be worked out with the Conference Committee.

### **Next Board Meeting**

Marian announced that the LEHA Board meetings would be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays in March, May, September, and November. A schedule with locations will be noticed on the web site. The general membership is welcome to attend.

### **Adjournment**

President Marian Aguillard adjourned the meeting at 2:05 pm.