

Louisiana Environmental Education Commission

Minutes

The Louisiana Environmental Education Commission met on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, in the Iowa Room, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. by Dinah Maygarden, Chair. Members present were Melanie Bauder, Adriane Bercegeay, Joey Breaux, Murt Conover, Scott Courtright, Danielle Dilullo, Gregory Grandy, Caitlin Joubert, Lindsey Keith-Vincent, Pierre LaCaze, Robin Narez, Darcie Olexia, Jacqueline Richard, Lindsay Seely, and Molly Talbot.

Luka Cutura served as a proxy for Susan Russell.

Kevin Berken, Dean Blackett, Ashley Cain, Christopher Chappell, Harry Lewis, and Susan Russell were not in attendance.

Representing the Louisiana Department of Education were Jenni Frick, Andrea Kirumba, Natasha Carter, Krista Schmitt, Dr. Vickey Silas, and Gerald Millet.

A quorum was present.

There were no public comments.

1. On motion of Ms. Richard, seconded by Ms. Talbot, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission approved the minutes of the meeting held May 2, 2024.

2. On the motion of Ms. Talbot, seconded by Ms. Dilullo, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission agreed to take agenda item VII.C. "Informational Reports: Clarification of LEEC Finances," out of order.

The commission discussed the LEEC finances.

At this point in the meeting, the Commission returned to the regular agenda order.

3. On motion of Ms. Maygarden, seconded by Ms. Narez, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission endorsed revisions to the LEEC Bylaws, as amended.

4. On motion of Ms. Talbot, seconded by Ms. Narez, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission amended the agenda to include, "Election of secretary."

5. On the motion of Ms. Maygarden, seconded by Ms. Talbot, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission elected Jacqueline Richard to serve as chairman.
6. On the motion of Ms. Maygarden, seconded by Ms. Seely, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission elected Danielle Dilullo to serve as vice chairman.

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7. On the motion of Ms. Maygarden, seconded by Ms. Talbot, the Louisiana Environmental Education elected Robin Narez to serve as secretary.
8. On motion of Ms. Maygarden, seconded by Ms. Richard, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission endorsed the 2024 Environmental Literacy Plan, with recommendations.
9. On motion of Ms. Talbot, seconded by Mr. Conover, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission, received a discussion of existing vacancies and potential replacements.
10. On motion of Ms. Narez, seconded by Ms. Bercegeay, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission received the 2025 Meeting Dates, with the following recommendations:
 - a. Reschedule the February 6, 2025 commission meeting to February 13, 2025;
 - b. Reschedule the November 6, 2025 commission meeting to December 4, 2025.
11. On motion of Molly Talbot, seconded by Scott Courtright, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission agreed to move the November 6, 2025 meeting to December 4, 2025.
12. On motion of Jacqueline Richard, seconded by Dinah Maygarden, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission agreed to move the February 6, 2025 meeting to February 13, 2025.
13. On motion of Ms. Richard, seconded by Ms. Bercegeay, the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission requested that a presentation item be included on the next meeting agenda.

With no further business to come before the Louisiana Environmental Education Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.