

SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA–W)
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Monday, January 25, 2016

The SLFPA – W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 5:33 PM on Monday, January 25, 2016 at Moreau Center – Our Lady of Holy Cross College, 4123 Woodland Drive, New Orleans, LA 70131.

Ms. Maclay called the public meeting to order and directed Mr. Camnetar to call the roll.

Commissioners in attendance were: Mr. Camnetar, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Gaddy, Ms. Maclay, and Mr. Wilkinson. Mr. Julien arrived at approximately 5:36 PM. Mr. Merritt was absent. Staff present were: Mr. Bosch, Mr. Monzon, Mr. Noel, and Ms. Noll. Mr. Vorhoff of the Attorney General’s office was also in attendance.

Ms. Maclay led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Mr. Wilkinson, seconded by Mr. Dauphin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to accept and approve the minutes of the December 16, 2015 regular meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Gaddy, seconded by Mr. Wilkinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to affirm the agenda.

There were no public comments.

Ms. Maclay presented the President’s report for the month of January. Mr. Julien arrived during this report.

Mr. Camnetar reported on the activities, meetings, and issues of the Finance, Administration, Legal and Public Information (FALPI) Committee during the month of January.

Mr. Gaddy reported on the activities, meetings, and issues of the Technical, Operations and Maintenance (TOM) Committee during the month of January.

Due to Mr. Merritt’s absence, there was no update on environmental and research issues.

Mr. Monzon presented the Regional Director’s report for the month of January.

It was moved by Mr. Camnetar, seconded by Mr. Wilkinson, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to approve bills for payment and accept financial information as submitted for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member levee districts.

It was moved by Mr. Wilkinson, seconded by Mr. Dauphin, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to adopt, renew and levy the Special Tax of the Algiers Levee District of 6.35 mills approved by the voters on November 21, 2015; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Mr. Camnetar, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Gaddy, Mr. Julien, Ms. Maclay, Mr. Wilkinson
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Mr. Merritt
ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Mr. Camnetar, seconded by Mr. Julien, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to reallocate “Custodian 2” to a “Helper” position for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West, according to the rules of the Department of Civil Service.

It was moved by Mr. Camnetar, seconded by Mr. Gaddy, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the administration to amend the budget for attorney fees to allow for proper accounting of the funds received for the BP Settlement in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

It was moved by Ms. Maclay, seconded by Mr. Julien, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to update the mission statement in the resolution.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin and seconded by unanimous acclamation of the Commissioners in attendance to recognize Commissioner Edward "Ed" L. Camnetar, Jr. for his service on the Board of Commissioners for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: Mr. Camnetar, Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Gaddy, Mr. Julien, Ms. Maclay, Mr. Wilkinson

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Merritt

ABSTAIN: None

The Board took a brief break at approximately 6:07 PM.

The Board reconvened at approximately 6:10 PM.

Ms. Maclay introduced Mr. Robert "Bobby" Thomas as a new Commissioner on the SLFPA-W Board.

Mr. Avant administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Thomas.

Mr. Avant also administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Wilkinson, whose term was renewed.

Ms. Maclay called the roll.

Commissioners in attendance were: Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Gaddy, Mr. Julien, Ms. Maclay, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Wilkinson. Mr. Merritt was absent.

It was moved by Mr. Wilkinson, seconded by Mr. Julien, and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to nominate and elect Mr. Dauphin as Secretary-Treasurer.

Per SLFPA-W's bylaws, the Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Dauphin, also serves as the Chair of the Finance Committee and thus she appointed Mr. Dauphin to serve as Chairman of the Finance, Administration, Legal and Public Information (FALPI) Committee. Regarding Committee assignments, Ms. Maclay announced that Mr. Thomas was assigned to the FALPI Committee.

Ms. Maclay announced that the next Board meeting of the Authority will be held at the SLFPA-W Board Room, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at 5:30 PM.

The agenda being completed, Ms. Maclay declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:17 PM.

Susan H. Maclay, President

Paul Dauphin, Secretary-Treasurer