**Oyster Task Force Legislative Committee**

February 4, 2014, called to order at 1:04 p.m. UNO Advanced Technology Center, suite 210 New Orleans

OTF Members present: John Tesvich, Jakov Jurisic, Byron Encalade, Brad Robin, Brandt Lafrance, Al Sunseri, Mark Schexnayder, Buddy Pausina and Sammy Slavich.

Guests:

Larry Marino (CPRA)

Cole Garrett (LDWF)

Patrick Banks(LDWF)

Gordon Leblanc (DHH)

Drue Winters (LDWF)

Rene LeBreton (LDWF)

Dana Brocato (Brocato Oysters)

Gary Lopinto (DHH)

Marc Maniscalco (LDWF)

Steve McManus (LDWF)

Benjy Rayburn (LDAF)

Archie Lambert (LDAF)

Earl Thomas (LDAF)

Tyler McCloud (La House of Reps)

Sue King (La House of Reps)

McHenry Dub Lee (Senate)

Stephen Adams (Terry’s Oysters)

Tomy Tesvich (Tesvich’s Oysters)

Vatrosloiv Garbin (Capt. Jacob, inc.)

Luke Cibilich (Port Sulpher Fisheries)

Rep. Ray Garofalo (House of Reps)

Jon Bell (LA Seagrant)

Jennifer Jenkins (Crystal Seas Oysters)

Sarah Voisin (Motivatit)

Mark Schexnayder presented the Department weights and measures study, discussion was held.

Al Sunseri presented draft legislation to amend R.S. 3:4631 and 56:433 and 440 to enact R.S. 56:424.2. Motion to adopt draft legislation by Al Sunseri, second by Buddy Pausina.

Motion by Buddy Pausina to change “usable” to “wholesome” in Section 1 line B. Second by Al Sunseri. Substitute motion by Jakov Jurisic to “remove except for five percent” and change “usable” to “wholesome”, second by Sammy Slavich. Motion adopted

Motion by Byron Encalade to strike Section 1 G and H. Second by Jakov Jurisic. Motion adopted.

Motion by Jakov Jurisic to remove section 424.2 A-H. Second by Brad Robin. Substitute motion by Al Sunseri to take out items B-C, but keep A-H. Motion adopted.

Motion by Jakov Jurisic to reject suggested changes on 433 A. Second by Sammy Slavich. Substitute motion by Buddy Pausina for 433 A line 12 to say “no other person”, five percent in line 15 comes out based on previous motions and leave in lines 18-20. Second by Sammy Slavich. Substitute Motion adopted.

Motion by Buddy Pausina to accept changes as presented in 433 E lines 9-10, second by Jakov Jurisic, motion adopted.

Motion by Jakov Jurisic to leave Section F line 14-15 “as is”, second by Sammy Slavich. Motion adopted.

433 J line 22-26, motion by Jakov Jurisic to leave “as is”, second by Sammy Slavich. Motion adopted.

Motion by Jakov Jurisic to leave 440 section A lines 3-9 as is, second by Brad Robin. Substitute motion to accept changes as provided from 3-9, but change usable to wholesome and remove “greater than 3 inches from hinge” Second by Buddy Pausina. Motion failed. Original motion adopted.

440 B lines 10-12, changes are accepted.

440 C lines 13- 16, changes accepted.

440 D 1-6, E-H. Motion to strike D 1-6, E-H by Brad Robin, second by Jakov Jurisic. Motion adopted.

Motion carried to present amended bill to full OTF for inclusion in 2014 session.

Larry Marino addressed the group regarding the lifting of moratorium on new oyster leases

Motion by Jakov Jurisic to oppose the bill as presented in its entirety. Second by Sammy Slavich. Motion adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m