

**ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PESTICIDES  
VETERANS' MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM  
5825 FLORIDA BLVD.  
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA  
June 29, 2022 - 9:30 AM**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting called to order by Dr. Coburn at 9:30 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Members present: Dr. Grady Coburn, George Bragg, Dr. Kenneth McMartin, Jenny Buller, Scotty Meador, Johnny Landry, and Billy Guthrie, Roby Shields.

Members absent: Ryan Waguespack.

Others present: Harry Schexnayder-LDAF; Amy McInnis-LDAF Counsel; Dee Washington-LDAF; Kelly Moore-LDAF; Joe Ingrao-LDAF; Dr. Ansel Rankins-LDAF; Alicia Wheeler-Hearing Officer; Bryan Gueltig-LSU AgCenter; Ashley LaBorde-LDAF; and Warren Mayberry-Corteva Agrisciences.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Motion:** Mr. Guthrie moved to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2022 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bragg and passed unanimously.

**ADJUDICATORY HEARINGS**

Ms. Alicia Wheeler, Hearing Officer, conducted the Adjudicatory Hearings. Ms. Amy McInnis presented the following cases:

**Harry Fruge', Case No. 2446**

Mr. Fruge' was not present. The Department charged Mr. Fruge' with one (1) violation of LRS 3:3252(A)(18), specifically LAC 7:XXIII.1101(I). Following the penalty matrix, the charge included a penalty of \$1,000.00, with \$500.00 suspended, due within 30 days. The stipulation was signed by all parties.

Ms. Wheeler admitted LDAF's exhibits into the record.

**Motion:** Mr. Shields moved to accept the stipulation of the parties as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bragg and passed unanimously

**Stanley Hebert Jr. , Case No. 2447**

Mr. Hebert was not present. The Department charged Mr. Hebert with one (1) violation of LRS 3:3252(A)(18), specifically LAC 7:XXIII.1101(I). Following the penalty matrix, the charge included a penalty of \$1,000.00, with \$500.00 suspended, due within 30 days. The stipulation was signed by all parties.

Ms. Wheeler admitted LDAF's exhibits into the record.

**Motion:** Mr. Landry moved to accept the stipulation of the parties as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. McMartin and passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business to discuss.

**NEW BUSINESS**

a. Rule Change Request – LAC 7:XXIII.1103 A-C.

Mr. Warren Mayberry with Corteva Agrisciences addressed the commission. Mr. Mayberry and Corteva representatives discussed the Enlist and Enlist Duo herbicides (active ingredient 2,4-D choline salt) that are produced by Corteva Agrisciences and how removing the waiver requirement on their products, would benefit crop producers, the department, agricultural consultants and commercial applicators. They discussed that the 2,4-D choline salt is less (non) volatile than other 2,4-D formulations

Mr. Schexnayder discussed the restrictions on 2,4-D pesticides in the rules and how those rules apply to the Corteva products.

The Corteva representatives, the commission, and Mr. Schexnayder further discussed the 2,4-D choline salt products and the current restrictions in the rules, and it was decided that the department would draft proposed changes to rules to exempt the 2,4-D choline salt products from the waiver requirement. These drafted proposed rule changes would be discussed at the next meeting.

b. Discussion on Unlicensed Pesticide Applicators Advertising

Mr. Schexnayder discussed the issue of unlicensed pesticide applicator advertising related to the control mold and mildew after storms and floods. Many of these applicators come into Louisiana from out of state. Currently, the department does not have the legal authority to regulate advertising for pesticide application services. The department responds to reports of such activity by reaching out to the individuals and informing them that to spray pesticides for a fee in Louisiana requires a certification and license. Without evidence of an application, no violation exists.

c. LDAF Report

Mr. Schexnayder discussed private applicator training for pesticide certification that has been conducted in the spring of this year. He also discussed the new EPA pesticide certification federal requirements that are coming and how the department will need to make changes to the pesticide rules to meet the new federal requirements.

**CONSIDERATION OF AG CONSULTANT EXAM APPLICATION**

Mr. Ingrao presented the findings of the Ad Hoc committee for the following applicant:

APPLICANT	CATEGORIES	COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION	COMMISSION DECISION
Turner Graham	1a, 2a, 3a, and 4a	Approve	Approved

**Motion:** Ms. Buller moved to accept the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee to approve Turner Graham. The motion was seconded by Dr. McMartin and passed unanimously.

**FUTURE MEETING**

The next meeting of the Advisory Commission on Pesticides was scheduled for Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. in the Veterans’ Memorial Auditorium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**ADJOURN**

**Motion:** Mr. Guthrie moved to adjourn the meeting. This motion was seconded by Mr. Shields and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:41 a.m.