



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY  
MIKE STRAIN DVM  
COMMISSIONER



LOUISIANA BOLL WEEVIL ERADICATION COMMISSION

March 7, 2014

10:00 a.m.

Scott Research and Extension Center  
212 Macon Ridge Road  
Winnsboro, LA 71295  
Minutes

**Agricultural &  
Environmental  
Sciences**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Danny Logan at 10:05 a.m.

**Agro-Consumer  
Services**

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**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called by Tonya Peairs.

Members present: Danny Logan, Travis Walker, George Lacour, Tim White, Ben Guthrie, Luke Sayes, Todd Parker (representing Commissioner Strain), Dr. David Kerns (representing Chancellor Richardson).

**Animal Health  
& Food Safety**

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Baton Rouge,  
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Members absent: Jack Dailey

Others present: Brian Breaux, Marc Bordelon, Tad Hardy, Nolan Adcock, Becky Wilkerson, John Dumas, Kurt Moreau, Vernon Thomas, Christopher Mora (attorney for La. Dept. of Ag & Forestry), Sebe Brown, David Crigler and Tonya Peairs.

**Forestry**

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

**Management  
& Finance**

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion:** Mr. Parker made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from November 5, 2013. The motion was seconded by Mr. Walker and passed unanimously.

**Soil & Water  
Conservation**

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**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Bordelon informed the commission that Mr. Skipper Guillot has made final payment on the fine imposed by the commission on December 13, 2011. He also gave an update on 2013 cotton acreage and payment totals.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Report from the Commissioner**

Mr. Parker introduced Christopher Mora, Attorney for the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, who was on hand to answer any legal questions. A discussion ensued regarding draft regulations drawn up by the Department of Agriculture and Forestry and how it pertained to the boll weevil eradication regulations.

**Motion:** Mr. Parker made a motion to adopt the draft regulations and move forward with promulgation and with an emergency rule to immediately implement the regulations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Guthrie and passed unanimously.

Mr. Bordelon read the resolution verbatim and Mr. Mora summarized the resolution for the commission.

**Motion:** Mr. Parker made a motion to accept the resolution for adoption of regulations. This motion was seconded by Dr. Kerns. The motion passed unanimously.

**Update from the Director**

Mr. Bordelon informed the commission that there were significant stalks remaining for one grower and that grower would receive a warning letter.

**Technical Advisory Committee**

Dr. Kerns gave a report from the Technical Advisory Committee Meeting held in February. The meeting included discussions on Standard Operating Procedures and Trapping Protocols exceeding minimum standards with no recommendations for change. He also informed the commission that the National Boll Weevil Protection Committee is promoting an assessment of up to .75 cents per acre to maintain the buffer zone in Texas.

Mr. Lacour asked Dr. Kerns to discuss benefits of stalk destruction at the next Technical Advisory Committee meeting and report its findings to the commission.

**USDA Report**

There was no report from USDA.

**Farm Bureau Oversight Committee Report**

There was no new update from Mr. Breaux.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**ADJOURN**

Mr. Logan adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.