SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITY – WEST (SLFPA – W)

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

April 15, 2013

The SLFPA – W Board of Commissioners met at approximately 5:30 PM on April 15, 2013 in the Board Room at the SLFPA – W Office, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana 70072.

Ms. Maclay introduced Kendall Gaddy as a newly appointed member of the Board. The oath of office was administered to Mr. Gaddy by Mr. Avant.

The meeting was paused for a five minute break.

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

In attendance were: Mr. Dauphin, Mr. Gaddy, Ms. Maclay, and Mr. Viera. Mr. Camnetar, Mr. Merritt and Mr. Wilkinson were absent. Also in attendance were: Mr. Miserendino, Mr. Roark, Ms. Ford, Ms. Rogers, Mr. Avant, legal counsel and Mr. Ehrhardt, public information. Mr. Merritt listened to the meeting by telephone.

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

Ms. Maclay announced that Mr. Gaddy would replace Mr. Merritt on the Technical, Operations and Maintenance Committee.

It was moved by Mr. Viera, seconded by Mr. Dauphin and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to accept and approve the minutes of the March 18, 2013 meeting as amended.

It was unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to affirm the agenda as presented.

There were no public comments.

Mr. Miserendino presented the Regional Director’s report, and reported on the activities, meetings, and issues of the SLFPA – W and its member districts in April.

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

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

Ms. Maclay reported on the activities, meetings, and issues of the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana (ALBL) during the month of April. She reminded the Commissioners of the upcoming ALBL conference.

It was moved by Mr. Viera, seconded by Mr. Dauphin and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to rescind Resolution 031813-01, “Moved by Mr. Wilkinson and seconded by Mr. Merritt to adopt a resolution of the Board of Commissioners for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West (SLFPA-W) to direct its President to draft a letter to Col. Edward W. Fleming of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) expressing certain concerns over the USACE’s implementation of levee repairs in the West Bank and Vicinity Project, New Westwego to Orleans Village, WBV-14c.2, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana.”

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

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Viera and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to suspend the 25-day written notice of intention to make amendments to the following policies: Grievance Policy, Safety Policy, Cellular Phone Policy, Complaint Resolution Policy and Vehicle Operation and Home Storage Policy.

It was moved by Ms. Maclay, seconded by Mr. Viera and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to recognize Dr. Joannes J. Westerink for his service on the Board of the Commissioners for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Viera and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to ratify the President’s decision to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – East for emergency services.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Viera and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to ratify the President’s decision to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Plaquemines Parish Government for emergency services.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Gaddy and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to ratify the President’s decision to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Lafitte Area Independent Levee District for emergency services.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Viera and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to authorize the President to negotiate a contract with Edward H. Wikoff Architect to provide renovation services, at an amount not to exceed $25,000.00, and to further authorize the President to execute any contracts, agreements and documents to carry out the intent of this action.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Viera and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to amend and re-enact a Grievance Policy for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts, according to the rules of the Department of State Civil Service.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Gaddy and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to amend and re-enact a Safety Policy for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts, according to the rules of the Department of State Civil Service.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Viera and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to enact a Cellular Phone Policy for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts, according to the rules of the Department of State Civil Service.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Gaddy and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to enact a Complaint Resolution Policy for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts, according to the rules of the Department of State Civil Service.

It was moved by Mr. Dauphin, seconded by Mr. Viera and unanimously approved by the Commissioners in attendance to amend and re-enact a Vehicle Operation and Home Storage Policy for the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority – West and its member districts, according to the rules of the Department of State Civil Service

Ms. Maclay announced the next regular meeting of the Authority will be held in the Board Room at the offices of the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority - West, 7001 River Road, Marrero, Louisiana, on May 20, 2013 at 5:30 PM.

The agenda being completed, Ms. Maclay declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:59 PM.

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Susan H. Maclay, President

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Paul R. Dauphin, Secretary-Treasurer