

SOLID WASTE LICENSING COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
November 9, 2015

A regular meeting of the Solid Waste Licensing Committee was held on Monday, November 9, 2015, at 10:30 a.m., in Room 1E09 of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality Headquarters, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Neil Washburn who called the roll. Members present included Warren Atkins, Gussie Robinson, William Wright, Phillip Davis, Elizabeth Hoover and Randy Harper. Others in attendance included Kenny Nutt, Cassie Kent, Jane Schwartz, Susan Speake and Tammy Harrelson. Members absent from the meeting were Bill Burroughs, Angela Sparks and Rosemary Rogers.

The minutes from the prior meeting were reviewed and approved.

Tammy Harrelson was introduced, and she explained the new vision for ADEQ. Tammy Harrelson is the new Senior Associate Director of Land Resources which will include the former divisions known as Mining, Solid Waste, Hazardous Waste and RST. She explained that the divisions were put under one umbrella so they can use all the resources that each area brings. The Department is hoping that the new organization will streamline the processes and make everything more efficient.

Elizabeth Hoover gave the department report. She announced that ADEQ and the Arkansas Environmental Training Academy have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding that will allow for AETA instructors to proctor Solid Waste Licensing contract class exams.

The academy report was given by Randy Harper. Randy stated that between July 1, 2015 and September 2015, there have been 272 contact hours and 124 Students at 17 locations.

Gussie Robinson suggested that the department get a Spanish speaking mediator to help out when giving a test. She said this could help break the language barrier and possibly bring up test scores. She also talked about initiating a conference call number for members who could not make it due to bad weather or other business. Susan Speake said she would talk to Computer Services to see what could be done.

The Chairman set the next meeting for February 18, 2016, and having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



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Neil Washburn, Chairman