## SOLID WASTE LICENSING COMMITTEE

## **MEETING MINUTES**

## February 18, 2016

A regular meeting of the Solid Waste Licensing Committee was held on Thursday February 18, 2016, 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 Neil Washburn, Chair, who called the roll. Members present included Neil Washburn, Rosemary Rogers, Angela Sparks, Gussie Robinson, and Bill Burroughs. Randy Harper and Kenny Nutt were from the Environmental Academy. Others in attendance included, Susan Speake, Elizabeth Hoover, and Jane Schwartz. Special guests in attendance included Tammy Harrelson, Office of Land Resources Senior Associate Director and Wendy Cravens, Director of Benton County Regional Solid Waste Management District. Warren Atkins, William Wright, and Phillip Davis were absent.

The minutes from the prior meeting were approved.

At the request of the members, Tammy Harrelson provided an update and layout of the re-organization of ADEQ. Elizabeth Hoover also provided the committee with an update of her move from the Office of Land Resources and the Solid Waste Licensing Program to the Office of Operations and Outreach. She expressed how she enjoyed working for the Solid Waste Licensing Program and with the Solid Waste Licensing Committee. Susan Speake spoke of Ms. Hoover's role working with the Program and the Committee. Chair Neil Washburn presented Elizabeth Hoover with a plaque in appreciation for her dedicated service on the Arkansas Solid Waste Licensing Committee from 1993-2015.

Susan Speake said that the committee needed to vote on the annual stipends and reimbursements. A motion was made, passed and voted on.

Randy Harper reported that they are having Region 6 OSHA training at the Environmental Academy now, and that they are still planning the development of new module training that came from the assessment tests.

Kenny Nutt gave his training report of the Academy that they had 158 contact hours, 145 enrolled, at 13 locations.

As a representative of SWANA/Alliance, Wendy Cravens gave a general description of what they have been working on to provide some new training for Solid Waste Operators. She said they would be meeting with a Sub Committee on the development of these topics, adding that since they had met with the former Chief of Solid Waste, she now would like a meeting with Tammy Harrelson at this point.

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The next meeting date was set for Thursday, May 26, 2016. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Neil Washburn, Chairman

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