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## **MINUTES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING FEBRUARY 2, 2024**

President Cory Kief called to order the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana’s (ALBL) Executive Committee Meeting at 10:00 a.m., Friday, February 2, 2024, at Drusilla Seafood Restaurant in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. There were sixteen (16) member agencies present which constituted a quorum.

Motion by Mr. Bourgeois, seconded by Mr. Landry to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting. Motion passed without opposition.

The Financial Report was given by Mr. Keahey who updated the budget from the last Executive Committee Meeting. The following balances formed the working capital of the ALBL: checking account \$155,757.35; savings \$70,815.15; Litigation Savings Account \$15,907.42. Motion by Mr. Keahey, seconded by Mr. Hellmers to accept the financial statement. Motion passed without opposition.

Mr. Kirkpatrick gave the Legislative Committee Report and stated that the new Chairman of CPRA is Gordy Dove and the Executive Director is Glenn Ledet. A reorganization is pending and details will be forthcoming.

March 11, 2024 is the start date for the regular session and the prefile deadline is March 1. If you are looking at legislation it is time to start drafting. The legislative committee will be meeting after the pre-file date to do an analysis and give recommendations on bills of interest and ALBL positions.

He advised that the pre-file deadline for local bills has passed but if there is interest, please contact Mr. Kirkpatrick to discuss.

Mr. Piontek spoke about the SLFPA – East amicus brief request which would cost around \$1800. After discussion, motion by Mr. Dupre, seconded by Mr. Bourgeois for Roedel Parsons to file an amicus brief supporting SLFPA-East in what is known as the Robert case which is the class action lawsuit with homeowners along the London Avenue Canal. Motion passed without opposition.

Ms. White stated that speakers are needed for the upcoming ALBL Annual Workshop May 2-3, 2024 at the Crowne Plaza in Baton Rouge.

Under Old Business, Mr. Bourgeois advised that there is no update on the NFIP lawsuit.

Under New Business, Mr. Kief started a discussion on the layout of the Annual Meeting in New Orleans and possibly adding a dinner to Tuesday night. He stressed the importance of attendance by Commission members and employees.. Ms. White will email a reminder that contains the statute that outlines the training requirements by each commissioner.

During the ALBL member spotlight, Mr. Matherne gave an overview of the South Lafourche Levee District and Mr. Waggoner gave an overview of the Tensas Basin Levee District.

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During the Associate member spotlight, Mr. Kline with GIS and Mr. Marmande with Delta Coast Consultants both gave an overview on what their companies have to offer to the Association members.

Motion by Mr. Dupre, seconded by Mr. Bourgeois to adjourn. Motion passed without opposition.

Attendees:

Curt Boniol, DOTD  
Dwayne Bourgeois, North Lafourche Levee District  
Kelli Chandler, SLFPA-East  
Nick Cali, SLFPA-West  
Reggie Dupre, Terrebonne Levee & Conservation District  
Keith Guidry, South Lafourche Levee District  
John Helmers, Plaquemines Parish Government  
Angela Hidalgo, Terrebonne Levee & Conservation District  
Drew Keahey, Tensas Basin Levee District  
Cory Kief, North Lafourche Levee District  
Scott Kirkpatrick, Pelican State Partners  
Suzanne Krieger, St. Tammany Levee District  
Earl Landry, Chenier Plain  
Andrew Leon, RRABB  
Mitch Marmande, Delta Coast Consultants  
Nic Matherne, South Lafourche Levee District  
Tim Matte, St. Mary Levee District  
Luke Piontek, Roedel Parsons  
Jason Placke, CPRA  
Ronnie Robinson, proxy for Fifth Louisiana Levee District  
Blaine Sheets, Pontchartrain Levee District  
Tom Stephens, EBR Parish Public Works  
Brandon Waggoner, Tensas Basin Levee District  
Amber White, ALBL  
Billy Williamson, DOTD