A regular meeting of the Solid Waste Licensing Committee was held on Thursday March 1, 2012, 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 Gary Oden, Chair, who called the roll. Members present included Gary Oden, David Rose, Elizabeth Hoover, James Abbey, Hugh Cockrell, Phillip Davis, Judge Mike Jacobs, John Lee, Gussie Robinson and William Wright. Others in attendance included Randy Harper, Kenny Nutt, Jane Schwartz, and Cassie Kent.

The minutes were read and approved.

The new members were welcomed, and introductions were made.

Elizabeth Hoover led a discussion on stipends and reimbursements. The Committee conducted the required annual vote. Motion was made, seconded and passed that the Committee members would be eligible to receive a $60.00 per meeting stipend and other travel reimbursements as allowable for state employees.

James Abbey reminded everyone that the Department would need a copy of their current vehicle proof of insurance card, if claiming mileage reimbursement, and he told everyone to be sure to sign the forms using blue ink.

Elizabeth Hoover stated that the membership terms of Gary Oden and James Abbey had expired, and the Committee needed to act on their reappointment. A motion was made, seconded and passed for the Department to prepare and submit the required paperwork to submit a reappointment request for both Gary Oden and James Abbey.

Randy Harper gave an update on AETA activities. He reported on the progress toward development of new solid waste training curriculum and told the group about the IDCO training class scheduled for April. He said that the IDCO Workbook was currently undergoing a review by the Department. Kenny Nutt gave an update on solid waste classes. He said that there have been 13 classes since the first of the year with 110 students receiving training.
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Elizabeth Hoover encouraged each new member to bring their thoughts to the table. She told the group that if there was something that they wanted the Committee to discuss, to please let her or the Chairman know.

Gary Oden set the next meeting for May 17, 2012, at 10:30 a.m.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Gary Oden, Chairman