



**AIR & WASTE MANAGEMENT
ASSOCIATION**

MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER
SOUTHERN SECTION

**November Board Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2024, 12:00 PM CST**

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82007966798?pwd=1mew1Qsilw76dll2M6DsgotUBKZB7E.1>

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call (5 of 8 board members must be present for a quorum.)** – Carla Brown, Betty Ruth Fox, Ryan Ozment, Ashley Kimes
3. **Approval of September & October 2024 Minutes** – Minutes were not voted on due to not having a quorum.
4. **Treasurer's Report** – Current balance is \$17,941.37 that includes processing the StarChapter payment and Directors and Officers insurance.
5. **Committee Chair Business**
 - a. **Membership Committee** – Currently at 48 members.
 - b. **Program Committee** – Breakfast with the Regulators – 44 attendees and \$410 cost.
 - c. **Young Professionals Committee** – We will begin recruiting for this position to fill the first of next year.
 - d. **Publications Committee** – We purchased an annual subscription, including the setup fee, for \$1,559 to use the StarChapter web platform, as approved via email by a majority of the Board. Additional fees: \$24.95/year for StarChapter to host a domain for us. Please review the refund policy required to meet certain requirements for taking payments. Carla will check with the Southern Section to see what their policy says regarding refunds.
 - e. **Science Fair Committee** -
 - f. **Finance Committee** – See Treasurer's Report above.
 - g. **Scholarship Committee** – Discuss timing and amount for next year. Betty Ruth and Carla have been working with Chris Hurst of the Southern Section to determine the path forward in awarding scholarships.
6. **Other Business**
 - a. **Directors and Officers Insurance.** – We purchased the D&O insurance from Travelers with \$1 million limit and \$0 retention for \$469 (annual premium). This purchase was approved unanimously by the Board members via email.
 - b. **Southern Section Conference** - SS conference – Evaluate a couple of locations/pricing. The Buea Rivage in Biloxi and The Refuge in Jackson are two options for locations. Another option mentioned to Carla was Natchez. It was discussed approximately 40-45 rooms will be needed for the conference if held in Jackson due to the number of members that live in the area and would not require a hotel room.
 - c. **Nominations / Election for 2025** – Bylaws require a 3-person nominating committee. Need one director and a Vice-Chair. Ashley, Betty Ruth and Carla volunteered to serve on the nominating committee.
 - d. **Good and welfare** – Southern Section is trying to combine TN chapter into one chapter again.
7. **Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on December 10, 2024 via Zoom.)**