



**AIR & WASTE MANAGEMENT  
ASSOCIATION**

MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER  
SOUTHERN SECTION

**February Board Meeting Minutes  
February 11, 2025, 12:00 PM CST**

**Zoom Link:** <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86309195079?pwd=CK8OYKqT8b4vmwIYGVXyfJlwKCxakR.1>

1. **Call to Order** – Called to order at 12:01 pm.
2. **Roll Call (5 of 8 board members must be present for a quorum.)** – Betty Ruth Fox, Michelle Vinson, Carla Brown, Megan Butts, Morgan Hodges, Kelli Dowell, Allyson Ringuette, Ashley Kimes
3. **Approval of January 2025 Minutes** – Ashley motioned to approve the January minutes, Michelle seconded, no opposition from the board.
4. **Treasurer's Report** – Previous balance was \$17,397.12. The balance should remain the same for this month.
5. **Committee Chair Business**
  - a. **Membership Committee** – Currently at 46 members. Megan Butts has volunteered to be the new committee chairman. Megan has worked with EnSafe for approximately three (3) years working in the EHS area.
  - b. **Program Committee** – Air Workshop dates. Morgan and Maya will be in contact this week with Butler Snow to get possible dates to propose for the workshop, Carla will reach out to MDEQ once dates are proposed.
  - c. **Young Professionals Committee** – Still looking for someone to chair committee.
  - d. **Publications Committee** – Review StarChapter website (<https://awmams.starchapter.com/index.php>). For anyone who would like to be an administrator and learn to use the website, training has been scheduled for February 11<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm.
  - e. **Science Fair Committee** – Volunteers needed for each regional and state fair (see schedule below). Carla will attend the Delta State fair. We will use the StarChapter site to send an email to the members asking for volunteers to judge the remaining fairs.
  - f. **Finance Committee** –
  - g. **Scholarship Committee** – One \$1,500 scholarship to graduate student. Propose scholarship in memory of Krystal Rudolph. Carla wrote tribute to Krystal on the website for the scholarship. The students will be given eleven (11) weeks to submit applications.
6. **Other Business**
  - a. **Southern Section Conference** - SS conference – Signed contract for Aug. 26-29, with room blocks on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday and conference starting Wednesday after lunch through Friday at lunch. The Georgia Section sent the Southern Section a check for approximately 40% of their profits from the 2024 conference. Carla stated The Great Wolf Lodge was not excessive in their pricing for the conference. Carla has contacted Lea Blinn with the International Board and several MDEQ staff members via email about speaking at the Southern Section Conference this year.
  - b. **Vote on post office box for chapter** – The smallest option for a post office box is XS box for a cost of \$188 for 12 months. Betty Ruth motioned to purchase the XS box for 12 months, Ashley seconded motion, and there was no opposition from the board.
  - c. **Good and welfare**

7. **Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on March 11, 2025 via Zoom.)** – Meeting adjourned at 12:22 pm.



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**Mississippi Science and Engineering Fair (Upper grades)**

Region	Location	Date	Website	Contact	
1	USM Gulf Park Campus (Long Beach, MS)	2/27/2025	<a href="#">Region 1</a>	Susan Stachowski	<a href="mailto:susan.stachowski@usm.edu">susan.stachowski@usm.edu</a>
2	Jackson State University, Lee Williams Assembly Center (Jackson, MS)	3/18/2025	<a href="#">Region 2</a>	Kristy Love-Kendrick	<a href="mailto:msef2@jsums.edu">msef2@jsums.edu</a>
3	Delta State University, Forrest Wyatt Gymnasium (Cleveland, MS)	2/26/2025	<a href="#">Region 3</a>		<a href="mailto:sciencefair@deltastate.edu">sciencefair@deltastate.edu</a>
4	Northeast MS Community College, TBD (Booneville, MS)		<a href="#">Region 4</a>	Phyllis Colson	<a href="mailto:pgcolson@nemcc.edu">pgcolson@nemcc.edu</a>
5	Mississippi State University, Humphrey Coliseum (Starkville, MS)	2/25/2025	<a href="#">Region 5</a>		<a href="mailto:msefregionv@gmail.com">msefregionv@gmail.com</a>
6	USM Gulf Park Campus (Long Beach, MS)	2/27/2025	<a href="#">Region 6</a>	Susan Stachowski	<a href="mailto:susan.stachowski@usm.edu">susan.stachowski@usm.edu</a>
7	University of Mississippi, Tad Smith Coliseum (Oxford, MS)	3/19/2025	<a href="#">Region 7</a>	Matthew DeLoach	<a href="mailto:precollege@olemiss.edu">precollege@olemiss.edu</a>
State	Jackson State University, Lee Williams Assembly Center (Jackson, MS)	3/27/2025		Kristy Love-Kendrick	<a href="mailto:msef2@jsums.edu">msef2@jsums.edu</a>