



**AIR & WASTE MANAGEMENT
ASSOCIATION**

MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER
SOUTHERN SECTION

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

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

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call (5 of 8 board members must be present for a quorum.) – Morgan Hodges, Ryan Ozment, Allyson Ringuette, Betty Ruth Fox, Megan Butts, Kelli Dowell, and Ashley Kimes

3. Approval of February 2025 Minutes – Ryan motioned to approve the February meeting minutes, and Allyson seconded the motion. There were no objections.

4. Treasurer's Report – Current balance is \$17,398.53. There will be a \$188 charge for purchasing PO Box soon.

5. Committee Chair Business

a. **Membership Committee** – Currently at 46 members.

b. **Program Committee** – Air Workshop will be held May 6th at Butler Snow office. Agenda and fees, proposed increase for nonmembers. Betty Ruth motioned to approve the increase, and Ryan seconded the motion. There were no objections. Carla has reached out to some MDEQ staff members about presenting at the workshop.

- Non-members increase from \$109 to \$119
- Members increase from \$69 to \$79
- Government increase from \$49 to \$59
- A&WMA MS Board Members/Presenters \$0

c. **Young Professionals Committee** – Still need a chair.

d. **Publications Committee** – Review StarChapter website (<https://awmams.starchapter.com/index.php>). Carla, Ashley and Betty Ruth attended the StarChapter training on February 11, 2025. Training was recorded and available to watch if you would like.

e. **Science Fair Committee** – Is anyone available to attend the remaining Science Fairs? Megan can attend the fair at JSU on 3/27, and Betty Ruth will try to attend the JSU fair on 3/18.

f. **Finance Committee** – See treasurer's report.

g. **Scholarship Committee** – One \$1,500 scholarship to graduate student. No update to share at this time.

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. We need to have an agenda by May. Ashley has reached out to John McKay to schedule a meeting to discuss the possibility of a joint conference with MMA.

- **Discussion of MMA joining Southern Section conference.** Questions asked – thanks Michelle!
 - Logistics?
 - Splitting revenue? *Maybe have more people but less revenue, how would it be split?* (Kelli)
 - Modifying contract with Beau Rivage?

- Agenda/focus?
- Have other chapters done this? What is their experience?
- National Chapter OK with this? *Betty Ruth will ask Chris Hurst if this is allowed.*
- Are we merging the two conference sessions or concurrent sessions?

b. **Good and welfare** – Any information on when e-GRRT will be back up and available for use? You can still download the 2024 forms from the help link.

7. Adjourn (Next meeting scheduled for noon on April 8, 2025 via Zoom.) - Kelli motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Ryan seconded the motion.



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Mississippi Science and Engineering Fair (Upper grades)

Region	Location	Date	Website	Contact	
1	Jackson State University, Lee Williams Assembly Center (Jackson, MS)	3/18/2025	Region 2	Kristy Love-Kendrick	msef2@jsums.edu
2	Northeast MS Community College, TBD (Booneville, MS)	TBD	Region 4	Phyllis Colson	pgcolson@nemcc.edu
3	University of Mississippi, Tad Smith Coliseum (Oxford, MS)	3/19/2025	Region 7	Matthew DeLoach	precollege@olemiss.edu
State	Jackson State University, Lee Williams Assembly Center (Jackson, MS)	3/27/2025		Kristy Love-Kendrick	msef2@jsums.edu