



LSRPA Board of Trustees (BoT) Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2025; 8:00 – 10:00 am

via Zoom Meeting

| ATTENDANCE: | |
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| BOT | Candace Baker, Rebecca Hollender, Michael Poland, Rakesh "Rocky" Ganta, John Scagnelli, Kassidy Klink, Sonya Ward, Alex Saltzman, Anita Locke, Patrick Mottola, Brandi Gray, Chris Casarona, and Charlene Drake |
| LSRPA Staff | J. Brogle, B. Entin, J. Lunski |
| Others: | None |

| TOPIC | DISCUSSION | ACTION ITEMS |
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| Welcome & President's Update – Rebecca Hollender | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome & Good Morning. Roll Call by Jim Lunski – All BOT members present except Chris, Anita and Charlene, who joined few minutes later. Meeting with NJDEP (February 19, 2025): NJDEP is developing a new online tool more for general public – property owners and realtors etc. to get a snapshot at their properties with basic environmental issues. LSRPA will provide a volunteer to test the program– The call also included discussion on approved RAPs and their impact with the changes in order of magnitude in Standards; especially for vinyl chloride and how to address those issues. DEP will be sending a listserv with details. In response to a question on how to combine permit schedules for a site with multiple RAPs and associated due dates, DEP indicated LSRPs can make that request in section K of the permit application. More information regarding these issues will be sent out from Communications. Candace clarified that if you include the new numbers/values now in the RAP applications then biennial certification will not need permit modification. | |
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| Executive Director Update – Janice Brogle | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submitted the 90-day extension request on “dirty-dirt” rule proposal and another organization submitted a 60-day extension. Neither received response yet. Will be doing a member chat March 5, 8:30 to 9:30 am; also, a hearing is scheduled next week February 25th at 9 am. We should decide if we want somebody from LSRPA to testify, Orientation for new BOT members Feb 25: 2pm - 3pm and on March 6: 9am to 10am. Requested an update from NJDEP PFAS insurance exclusion – they need more time to respond. LSRPA continues to raise a potential PFAS summit with the DEP. | |
| Vice President Update – Sonya Ward | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The LSRPA foundation received very nice thank you letters from organizations / community colleges that received and disbursed the monies. Will circulate the letters to the BOT instead of reading them here. Had discussion regarding the potential for foundation BOT working with the NJ Envirothon in the future. Also, received some individual donations to the Foundation and will do an article to remind people that they can donate directly to Foundation, if they choose. Will make an effort in soliciting the LSRP member organizations for contributions. Foundation board will be represented at the March 26th LSRPA conference. A box will be set up for direct donations and also a guitar was donated for silent auction. | |



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| Vice President Update – Brandi Gray | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The updated NJDEP GWQS were published in the February 3rd New Jersey Register with no real changes from the proposed standards. NJDEP seems to be ok with the laboratory certification for the vinyl chloride using SIM analyses do not necessarily need a separate certification. Not all laboratories can run the SIM analyses. The new MGW Standards should be coming out soon. The new VI Standards dated February 10th – VI GW screening levels decreased for vinyl chloride and ethylbenzene and 1,1-DCE increased. The February SRAG meeting was cancelled because of lack of topics. The next one is scheduled for June 11, 2025. Upcoming public hearing February 25th for “dirty dirt” law. Also licensing board meeting on March 3, 2025. The licensing board may be taking an action against somebody for using AI but no details were given. The SRPLB continued their discussion on the use of AI. There are two (2) new licensing board members (Jay Meegoda & Nicholas Huszar) and Paul Hauge is the new chairperson. | |
| Treasurer Report – Mike Poland | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For taxes – IRS Form 1099s were sent out end of January for qualified vendors / contractors, as required by the CPA. The board is requesting the CPA to file a 6-month extension Checking Account balance: \$266,673.00 Money Market Account balance: \$206,232.00 Foundation Account balance: \$9,658 Waiting for proceeds from the Golf event. | |



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| Secretary Report – Rocky Ganta & Sonya Ward (Portions of) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The following meeting minutes were circulated for review and all comments received and changes made accordingly: • Sonya made a motion that the board accept the below meeting minutes; Candace seconded. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January 14th Steering Committee meeting minutes ○ January 16th BOT Retreat meeting minutes ○ January 30th Annual meeting minutes • Rocky made a motion that the board accept the below meeting minutes; Candace seconded. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ January 30th BOT meeting minutes • Roll Call by Jim for Jan 14th: Mike, Chris, Charlene & John abstained – Motion • Roll Call by Jim for Jan 16th: Mike, Chris, Charlene & Anita abstained • Roll Call by Jim for Jan 30th Annual Meeting: Brandi, Mike, Chris, & Charlene abstained • Roll Call by Jim for Jan 30th Annual Meeting: Mike, Chris, & Charlene abstained | |
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| Janice Brogle – Discussion for filling in vacancies for Chairs/Vice Chairs – various committees | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vacant positions must be filled with BOT approval. The BOT, as per the by-laws, has the authority to approve or remove any chair or vice chair. • The list of proposed chairs/vice-chairs was circulated. • . • Joe Postorino does not have a vice-chair for fundraising. Rocky Ganta volunteered for vice-chair. • Governance committee - Marlene is looking for a vice-chair, • Charlene had a question regarding the ad-hoc committee – fill & recycling. She is co-chair was wondering what's the role of ad-hoc committees. Janice thought it was part of ROC. • DE&I committee –. Need to determine a new chair and maybe vice chair. • John made a motion to approve the list of chairs and vice chairs and Brandi seconded as presented in the BOT meeting. • Jim Lunski – Roll Call – Alex did not vote. All others approved and the motion is passed. | |
| Kassidy Klink – Compensation for Instructors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy 2016-03 was proposed to be amended to also include credit to register for a future like on like continuing education event. • John moved to approve the discussion and the final version of the compensation for instructors as discussed and Alex seconded it. • Roll call – All approved and the motion passed. | |



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| OPEN DISUSSION | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• There was discussion regarding potential changes to the EPA under the new administration.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ There was discussion whether to increase the tier for the on-demand platform to provide a higher level of learner tracking.○ John made a motion to go to a higher tier. Rebecca seconded it.○ Jim Lunski – Roll Call: Everybody on call approved except Sonya who was on phone. Motion passes.○ Charlene was wondering about the status of the LSRPA history project. Rebecca noted there may be funds in the 2025 budget to help complete this project.○ Rebecca made a motion to adjourn the meeting and John seconded it. | |
| NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING | March 11, 2025 at 4 pm via Zoom/Teams | |

Respectfully Submitted,

Rocky Ganta

Rocky Ganta, LSRP – LSRPA Secretary