

**STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL COMMISSION**  
**Veterans' Memorial Auditorium**  
**5825 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA**  
**October 3, 2017**

**PROCEEDINGS**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bass at 9:45 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Members present: Fred Bass, Benjy Rayburn, Joe Arceneaux, Bob Kunst

Members absent: Dr. James Ottea

Others present: Harry Schexnayder, LDAF, Lindsey Hunter, LDAF General Counsel, Kelly Moore, LDAF, Tina Perkins, LDAF, Courtney Childs, LDAF, Melissa Evans, LDAF, Milton Schleismann, LDAF, Dr. Michael Stout, LSU Research

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Mr. Schexnayder requested to add Andrew Coleman and Jude Verrett to the list of licensee applicants to be reviewed for approval. Mr. Schexnayder also requested to discuss experience requirements for licensee applicants.

**Motion:** Mr. Kunst made a motion to add the requested amendments to the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arceneaux and passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Motion:** Mr. Rayburn made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 27, 2017 meeting as distributed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kunst and passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Ms. Hunter presented the resolution regarding the department's authority to approve standard contracts.

**Motion:** Mr. Kunst made a motion to approve the resolution giving the department authority to approve previously approved contracts without being presented to the Contract Review Committee if the contract revisions only pertain to the company name, address, contact information, and logo. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arceneaux and passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

***LPMA Report***

There was no representative of LPMA present at the meeting; therefore no LPMA report was given.

***LSU Research Update – Dr. Michael Stout, LSU***

Dr. Michael Stout presented the LSU research update. Scott Nacko has been hired to maintain the Urban Entomology lab. He also continued the surveys of swarming Formosan termites in the Baton Rouge area. The data has been collected for 2017 for five flight locations in this area. Rajani Sapkota, a grad student, is studying the results of flooding on residual termiticide activity and if retreatment is necessary. The study is to be completed in 2018. Dr. Claudia Hasseneder is currently studying how gut microorganisms of a termite help to digest wood. After an international search there was an offer made to Dr. Karen Sun for Dr. Greg Henderson’s position. Nothing has been finalized to date.

***Proficiency Test Report – Harry Schexnayder***

Mr. Schexnayder gave an update on the proficiency testing. There are currently 483 individuals remaining to test for the structural licensees and technicians. A notification was sent out to those 483 individuals that they must complete the test by the end of 2017. The proficiency test can now be taken on the computer at all seven district offices in Louisiana. Testers will know immediately after if they pass or fail. We should have a minimal number of people that have not completed the test by the end of the year.

***Structural Testing Update – Harry Schexnayder***

All pesticide applicator testing has been computerized with the exception of the structural licensee exam. This eliminates nearly all paper tests and makes the process much more efficient. As soon as the test is taken the score is immediately known and uploaded into our records.

The department would like to contract with Dr. Henderson to rewrite the structural technician and licensee exams. Dr. Henderson discussed the potential to include specimens from LSU to be included in the exam.

**Motion:** Mr. Arceneaux made a motion to contract with Dr. Henderson to rewrite the structural exams. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kunst and passed unanimously.

**Amendment:** Mr. Kunst made an amendment to the motion to have working members of the commission review tests that Dr. Henderson develops before they are finalized. Ms. Hunter also suggested that a confidentiality agreement be signed before commission members review exams. Mr. Arceneaux accepted the amendment. The amendment was seconded by Mr. Rayburn and passed unanimously.

Mr. Kunst discussed having different versions of the exam or a bank of questions that would randomly be selected from.

**CONSIDERATION OF LICENSEE APPLICATIONS**

NAME OF APPLICANT	PHASES	STAFF RECOMMENDATION	COMMISSION DECISION
Brady Babin (LA – 5 Years’	GPC CVC TC	Approve Approve	Approved Approved

Experience)		Approve (pending CACTP)	Approved
Andrew Coleman (LA, OH, IN, IL 5 Years' Experience)	GPC CVC	Approve Approve	Approve Approve (after verification)
Scott DePaula (LA – 4 Years' Experience)	GPC CVC TC	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approved Approved Approved
Seth Elledge (LA – 5 Years' Experience)	GPC CVC	Approve Approve	Approved Approved
Robert John III (LA – 5 Years' Experience)	GPC CVC TC	Approve Approve Approve Pending CACTP)	Approved Approved Approved
Russell D. Kincaid (LA – 11 Years' Experience)	GPC CVC TC	Disapprove Disapprove Disapprove	Disapproved Disapproved Disapproved
Brandon Lee (LA – 4 Years' Experience)	GPC TC	Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approved Approved
Christopher Richard Price (AL, MS, TN – 6+ Years' Experience)	GPC CVC TC	Disapprove Disapprove Disapprove	Disapproved Disapproved Disapproved
Adam Shaw (TX/VA – 7 Years' Experience)	Struc Fume Comm Fume Ship Fume	Approve Approve Approve	Approved Approved Approved
James Underwood (LA – 6 Years' Experience)	GPC CVC TC	Approve Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approved Approved Approved
Jude Verret (LA – 4 Years' Experience)	CVC TC	Approve Approve (pending CACTP)	Approved

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All applications were presented to the Commission by Ms. Moore. The Commission's approval or disapproval is noted in the chart above.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next Structural Pest Control Commission meeting will be held on January 16, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. at the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, Veterans' Memorial Auditorium.

### **STATUS REPORTS**

Mr. Schexnayder presented the status reports for the third quarter of 2017.

Mr. Schexnayder also discussed the online reporting website that will be updated very soon to allow easier methods for submitting reports.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Motion:** Mr. Kunst made a motion for the department staff to develop recommendations for a limitation on the age of experience being used for licensee applications, and for the suggestions to be presented at a Rules Committee meeting before the next SPCC meeting in January 2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arceneaux and passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

### **ADJOURN**

**Motion:** Mr. Kunst made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arceneaux and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.