

**LOUISIANA ENGINEERING SOCIETY
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

AGENDA

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| 1. | Call to Order and Remarks | Jim Ellingburg |
| 2. | Invocation & Pledge | Kalyn Partin |
| 3. | Acceptance of Agenda | Jim Ellingburg |
| 4. | Acceptance of June 2023 Minutes | Jim Ellingburg |
| 5. | Financial Statements | Clinton Patrick |
| | a. LES P&L as of 6/30/24 (attached) | |
| | b. LES Balance Sheet as of 6/30/24 (attached) | |
| | c. LEF P&L as of 6/30/24 (attached) | |
| | d. LEF Balance Sheet as of 6/30/24 (attached) | |
| 6. | State of the Society Address | Jim Ellingburg |
| | a. LES Deceased Members (attached) | |
| 7. | LES Standing Committee Reports | |
| | a. Constitution & Bylaws (attached) | Melanie Caillouet |
| | b. Continuing Professional Development (attached) | Gavin Gautreau |
| | c. Engineering Education (attached) | Jeff Pike |
| | d. Ethics & Professional Conduct (attached) | Chris Richard |
| | e. Honors & Awards (attached) | Chad Bacas |
| | f. Inter-Society Relations | Hagan Lawrence |
| | g. LE Magazine Committee (attached) | Chris Richard |
| | h. Legislative | Miles Williams |
| | i. Long Range Planning Committee (attached) | Melanie Caillouet |
| | j. Mathcounts (attached) | Melanie Caillouet |
| | k. Membership | Kalyn Partin |
| | l. Public Relations | Kimberly McDaniel |
| | m. Scholarship (attached) | Melanie Caillouet |
| | n. Young Engineers | Oliver Neal |
| 8. | Practice Division End-of-Year Reports | |
| | a. Professional Engineers in Construction | Stan Whitney |
| | b. Professional Engineers in Education (attached) | Jeff Pike |
| | c. Professional Engineers in Government | Ali Mustapha |
| | d. Professional Engineers in Industry | Jennifer Gemar |
| | e. Professional Engineers in Private Practice (attached) | Alan Krouse |
| 9. | Old Business | Jim Ellingburg |
| 10. | New Business | Jim Ellingburg |
| 11. | Adjournment | Jim Ellingburg |

LOUISIANA ENGINEERING SOCIETY

Budget vs. Actuals: FY_2023_2024 - FY24 P&L

July 2023 - June 2024

	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Income				
General Operations				
ASCE Salary Contribution	7,550.00	6,000.00	1,550.00	125.83 %
Interest/Earnings Investments	622.89	125.00	497.89	498.31 %
LEF Salary Contribution	30,999.96	31,000.00	-0.04	100.00 %
LES Paraphernalia Sales		500.00	-500.00	
LES State Dues	126,906.17	160,000.00	-33,093.83	79.32 %
Mathcounts Competition		2,300.00	-2,300.00	
Total General Operations	166,079.02	199,925.00	-33,845.98	83.07 %
Legislative Dues and Committee	3,325.00	11,000.00	-7,675.00	30.23 %
Louisiana Journal Operations	120.75		120.75	
ACECL Journal Contribution	2,100.00	2,800.00	-700.00	75.00 %
Advertising Income	15,728.00	14,000.00	1,728.00	112.34 %
Total Louisiana Journal Operations	17,948.75	16,800.00	1,148.75	106.84 %
Pass-Through Items from Dues				
LEF Dues	2,465.00	5,500.00	-3,035.00	44.82 %
LEF Educational Programs	750.00	2,000.00	-1,250.00	37.50 %
LEF Endowed Scholarships	1,650.00	3,500.00	-1,850.00	47.14 %
LES Chapter Dues				
Alexandria Chapter	238.00	270.00	-32.00	88.15 %
Baton Rouge Chapter	1,051.00	1,248.00	-197.00	84.21 %
Bayou Chapter	166.00	210.00	-44.00	79.05 %
Lafayette Chapter	664.00	890.00	-226.00	74.61 %
Lake Charles Chapter	280.00	292.00	-12.00	95.89 %
Monroe Chapter	220.00	266.00	-46.00	82.71 %
New Orleans Chapter	768.00	990.00	-222.00	77.58 %
Shreveport Chapter	310.00	352.00	-42.00	88.07 %
Total LES Chapter Dues	3,697.00	4,518.00	-821.00	81.83 %
Mathcounts Check-Off- LESEF	1,185.00	2,200.00	-1,015.00	53.86 %
State Scholarship Donate- LESEF	975.00	2,000.00	-1,025.00	48.75 %
Total Pass-Through Items from Dues	10,722.00	19,718.00	-8,996.00	54.38 %
Special Meeting Operation				
Annual Meeting		10,000.00	-10,000.00	
CPD Seminars	810.38	60,000.00	-59,189.62	1.35 %
ADA Seminars	14,923.52	0.00	14,923.52	
Ethics Seminar	6,507.77	0.00	6,507.77	
JESC on Demand	6,745.92	0.00	6,745.92	
Life Safety Code Seminar	25,941.82	0.00	25,941.82	
Project Management	3,033.03		3,033.03	
Total CPD Seminars	57,962.44	60,000.00	-2,037.56	96.60 %
Honors & Awards Presentation	4,330.93	0.00	4,330.93	
Joint Conference		120,000.00	-120,000.00	

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July 2023 - June 2024

	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Exhibitor	39,305.00	0.00	39,305.00	
Member Registration	94,264.17	0.00	94,264.17	
Sponsor	8,688.95	0.00	8,688.95	
Total Joint Conference	142,258.12	120,000.00	22,258.12	118.55 %
LES Sponsors	4,368.90	10,000.00	-5,631.10	43.69 %
Total Special Meeting Operation	208,920.39	200,000.00	8,920.39	104.46 %
Total Income	\$406,995.16	\$447,443.00	\$ -40,447.84	90.96 %
GROSS PROFIT	\$406,995.16	\$447,443.00	\$ -40,447.84	90.96 %
Expenses				
Bank Service Charges	35.00		35.00	
Committee Operation				
Lobbyist	48,296.52	48,000.00	296.52	100.62 %
Membership Committee	716.85	1,000.00	-283.15	71.69 %
PEPP		1,000.00	-1,000.00	
Total Committee Operation	49,013.37	50,000.00	-986.63	98.03 %
LA Journal Operations				
LA Journal Costs	4,152.70	10,000.00	-5,847.30	41.53 %
Total LA Journal Operations	4,152.70	10,000.00	-5,847.30	41.53 %
Office Communications		0.00	0.00	
Bulk email	1,329.25	1,200.00	129.25	110.77 %
Cox (Internet & Phone)	4,521.46	4,512.00	9.46	100.21 %
GoToWebinar	2,309.04	2,309.04	0.00	100.00 %
Total Office Communications	8,159.75	8,021.04	138.71	101.73 %
Office Equipment Purchase	7,146.75	0.00	7,146.75	
Miscellaneous Purchases		2,000.00	-2,000.00	
Total Office Equipment Purchase	7,146.75	2,000.00	5,146.75	357.34 %
Office Equipment Rental/Maint		0.00	0.00	
AWS - Cloud Storage	4.08	20.00	-15.92	20.40 %
Database	1,740.00	1,740.00	0.00	100.00 %
IT Maintenance/support	16,830.94	16,000.00	830.94	105.19 %
Microsoft Business Suite	803.72	744.00	59.72	108.03 %
Postage Meter	339.71	221.00	118.71	153.71 %
Quickbooks	1,380.94	740.00	640.94	186.61 %
Total Office Equipment Rental/Maint	21,099.39	19,465.00	1,634.39	108.40 %
Office Supplies	969.01	3,300.00	-2,330.99	29.36 %
Pass-Through Dues Check-Off				
LEF Dues	2,465.00	5,500.00	-3,035.00	44.82 %
LEF Educational Programs (deleted)	750.00	2,000.00	-1,250.00	37.50 %
LEF Endowed Scholarships	1,650.00	3,500.00	-1,850.00	47.14 %
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State Scholarship Donate- LESEF	975.00	2,000.00	-1,025.00	48.75 %
Total Pass-Through Dues Check-Off	10,722.00	19,718.00	-8,996.00	54.38 %
Special Meeting Operations	26.38		26.38	
CPD Seminars	865.34	13,500.00	-12,634.66	6.41 %
ADA Seminar	7,210.00	0.00	7,210.00	
Ethics	2,403.37	0.00	2,403.37	
Life Safety Code	2,255.40	0.00	2,255.40	
Project Managment Seminars	1,082.44		1,082.44	
Total CPD Seminars	13,816.55	13,500.00	316.55	102.34 %
General Meeting		5,000.00	-5,000.00	
Honors & Awards	3,279.99		3,279.99	
Joint Conference (e)	75,299.31	55,000.00	20,299.31	136.91 %
Total Special Meeting Operations	92,422.23	73,500.00	18,922.23	125.74 %
_General Operations				
Awards	539.22	1,000.00	-460.78	53.92 %
Board Meetings	4,180.64	3,000.00	1,180.64	139.35 %
Bookkeeping Services	8,500.00		8,500.00	
CPA Fees	3,500.00	4,000.00	-500.00	87.50 %
LEF Contribution (FY23-24 only) (deleted)	26,000.00	11,000.00	15,000.00	236.36 %
LES Paraphernalia Sales		500.00	-500.00	
Miscellaneous	16.00	200.00	-184.00	8.00 %
Office Insurance		5,900.00	-5,900.00	
Bond	200.00		200.00	
Director & Officers	1,462.00		1,462.00	
General Liability	3,805.01		3,805.01	
Workers Compensation	74.96	0.00	74.96	
Total Office Insurance	5,541.97	5,900.00	-358.03	93.93 %
Office Postage	1,199.82	2,400.00	-1,200.18	49.99 %
Office Printing	1,340.34	1,200.00	140.34	111.70 %
Office Rent	15,717.00	15,717.00	0.00	100.00 %
President/Dir. Discretion Exp	772.85	1,000.00	-227.15	77.29 %
Staff / Board Travel		1,000.00	-1,000.00	
NSPE Representative	1,052.84	2,000.00	-947.16	52.64 %
President (deleted)	103.55		103.55	

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	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
President/Executive Director	42.53	0.00	42.53	
Staff Mileage	703.18	600.00	103.18	117.20 %
Total Staff / Board Travel	1,902.10	3,600.00	-1,697.90	52.84 %
Staff Salaries & Fringe	181,730.75	191,458.01	-9,727.26	94.92 %
State Dues Expense	3,728.54	3,200.00	528.54	116.52 %
Total_General Operations	254,669.23	244,175.01	10,494.22	104.30 %
Total Expenses	\$448,389.43	\$430,179.05	\$18,210.38	104.23 %
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$ -41,394.27	\$17,263.95	\$ -58,658.22	-239.77 %
NET INCOME	\$ -41,394.27	\$17,263.95	\$ -58,658.22	-239.77 %

Louisiana Engineering Society

Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2024

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Annuity	0.00
Odom Award Fund	2,213.06
Practice Division	3,740.06
W.S. Nelson Pres. Award Fund	4,426.08
Total Annuity	10,379.20
Red River Bank MM #1369	86,977.06
Red River Bank Operating #1351	13,128.75
Total Bank Accounts	\$110,485.01
Total Current Assets	\$110,485.01
Fixed Assets	
Accumulated Depreciation	-31,165.32
Furniture & Fixtures	28,479.04
Telephone System	2,686.28
Total Fixed Assets	\$0.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$110,485.01
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	1,570.02
Federal Taxes (941/943/944)	2,675.25
Federal Unemployment (940)	-42.00
LA Income Tax	1,357.86
LA Unemployment Tax	23.73
Total Payroll Liabilities	5,584.86
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$5,584.86
Total Current Liabilities	\$5,584.86
Total Liabilities	\$5,584.86
Equity	
Retained Earnings	146,294.42
Net Income	-41,394.27
Total Equity	\$104,900.15
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$110,485.01

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	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Income				
Building Income				
ACECL	15,717.00	15,717.00	0.00	100.00 %
LAPELS	67,998.84	67,998.84	0.00	100.00 %
LBOPG	3,908.50	3,771.00	137.50	103.65 %
LES	15,717.00	15,717.00	0.00	100.00 %
LSPS	6,858.00	6,858.00	0.00	100.00 %
Total Building Income	110,199.34	110,061.84	137.50	100.12 %
Dues Income Check-Off	2,708.45	5,500.00	-2,791.55	49.24 %
Educational Programs Check-Off	750.00	2,000.00	-1,250.00	37.50 %
Endowed Scholarships Check-Off	1,650.00	3,500.00	-1,850.00	47.14 %
Income from Investments		2,500.00	-2,500.00	
Interest from MM/Annuity	128.03	60.00	68.03	213.38 %
LA Transportation Golf Income		23,000.00	-23,000.00	
Players	8,928.20		8,928.20	
Sponsors	12,222.10		12,222.10	
Total LA Transportation Golf Income	21,150.30	23,000.00	-1,849.70	91.96 %
LES Contribution (FY23-24 only)	26,000.00	11,000.00	15,000.00	236.36 %
Miscellaneous	5.01	50.00	-44.99	10.02 %
St MC Dues Check-Off (LESEF)	1,185.00	2,200.00	-1,015.00	53.86 %
St MC Fundraising Donations	7,005.45	14,000.00	-6,994.55	50.04 %
State Scholarship (LESEF)	975.00	2,000.00	-1,025.00	48.75 %
Total Income	\$171,756.58	\$175,871.84	\$ -4,115.26	97.66 %
GROSS PROFIT	\$171,756.58	\$175,871.84	\$ -4,115.26	97.66 %
Expenses				
Bookkeeping Services	500.00		500.00	
Building Expenses				
A/C Maintenance	1,297.50	1,000.00	297.50	129.75 %
Insurance	10,343.60	14,000.00	-3,656.40	73.88 %
Janitorial Service	13,497.46	13,500.00	-2.54	99.98 %
Lawn Maintenance	3,377.00	5,000.00	-1,623.00	67.54 %
Pest Control	1,031.00	1,203.00	-172.00	85.70 %
Repairs & Replacement	33,086.97	20,000.00	13,086.97	165.43 %
Security Monitoring	1,174.28	1,700.00	-525.72	69.08 %
Utilities				
Electric	19,596.85	21,000.00	-1,403.15	93.32 %
Sewer and Sprinkler	649.70	850.00	-200.30	76.44 %
Trash Pick-up	1,944.85	1,700.00	244.85	114.40 %
Water	306.35	325.00	-18.65	94.26 %
Total Utilities	22,497.75	23,875.00	-1,377.25	94.23 %
Total Building Expenses	86,305.56	80,278.00	6,027.56	107.51 %
Contract Employees	30,999.96	31,000.00	-0.04	100.00 %

Louisiana Engineering Foundation

Budget vs. Actuals: FY_2023_2024 - FY24 P&L

July 2023 - June 2024

	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Education Programs		2,000.00	-2,000.00	
LA Transport Golf Expense	11,800.94	12,000.00	-199.06	98.34 %
Miscellaneous Expense	130.00	125.00	5.00	104.00 %
Monroe Chapter	1,250.00		1,250.00	
Office Supplies	21.43	300.00	-278.57	7.14 %
Plaques	89.50	400.00	-310.50	22.38 %
Postage		100.00	-100.00	
Printing		250.00	-250.00	
Professional Services	3,500.00	4,000.00	-500.00	87.50 %
Scholarships- LEF Endowed	26,312.00	28,000.00	-1,688.00	93.97 %
Scholarships-Vincent Forte	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	100.00 %
State Mathcounts Expense	1,325.97	12,800.00	-11,474.03	10.36 %
Awards	974.94		974.94	
Hotel/Rooms/Food Beverage	239.71		239.71	
Miscellaneous	15.00		15.00	
Refreshment/Food	3,801.04		3,801.04	
Supplies and Promotions	20.15		20.15	
Total State Mathcounts Expense	6,376.81	12,800.00	-6,423.19	49.82 %
State Scholarship Expense	750.00	2,000.00	-1,250.00	37.50 %
Total Expenses	\$170,036.20	\$175,253.00	\$ -5,216.80	97.02 %
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$1,720.38	\$618.84	\$1,101.54	278.00 %
Other Income				
Endowed Scholarship Donation	27,882.50	16,500.00	11,382.50	168.98 %
Total Other Income	\$27,882.50	\$16,500.00	\$11,382.50	168.98 %
NET OTHER INCOME	\$27,882.50	\$16,500.00	\$11,382.50	168.98 %
NET INCOME	\$29,602.88	\$17,118.84	\$12,484.04	172.93 %

Louisiana Engineering Foundation

Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2024

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Annuity	0.00
Alexandria Chapter Annuity(LES)	40,369.21
Due from Alexandria Chapter	2,981.23
Scholarship Annuity (LESEF)	0.00
Scholarship Endowment Funds	9,533.35
Total Scholarship Annuity (LESEF)	9,533.35
Total Annuity	52,883.79
LEF Red River MM #598	16,060.53
LEF RR Operating #580	45,783.37
LESEF RR MM #697	12,386.89
LESEF RR Operating #689	18,051.94
Total Bank Accounts	\$145,166.52
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	105.30
Total Accounts Receivable	\$105.30
Other Current Assets	
Undeposited Funds	165.00
Total Other Current Assets	\$165.00
Total Current Assets	\$145,436.82
Fixed Assets	
Accumulated Depreciation	-669,889.05
Building	1,050,157.00
Furniture & Fixtures	18,033.00
Land	100,000.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$498,300.95
Other Assets	
Deposits	557.00
Loan from State M/C to LEF	48,000.00
Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LEF	529,673.53
Total Other Assets	\$578,230.53
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,221,968.30
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Long-Term Liabilities	
Due to State M/C from LEF	48,000.00
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$48,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$48,000.00

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Balance Sheet As of June 30, 2024

	TOTAL
Equity	
LES Alexandria Chapter Annuity	37,092.66
Retained Earnings	1,098,957.12
Scholarship Endowment	8,315.64
Net Income	29,602.88
Total Equity	\$1,173,968.30
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$1,221,968.30

Deceased Members

- N. Dakota Hill
- Floyd Eugene "Gene" Milford, Jr.
- George J. Mahl, III

Constitution and Bylaws Committee

Melanie Caillouet, PE

At the beginning of the year, Jim requested that the Constitution and Bylaws committee look at the list of committees in the Bylaws and make a recommendation on which we thought should be standing committees versus Ad Hoc committees. Only one other person was listed on this committee. My recommendations were discussed with the board but were not voted on.

While reviewing the committees, other discrepancies were found within the Constitution and Bylaws. It was decided that both needed to be reviewed thoroughly and revisions made. Recommended changes to the Constitution (now referred to as the Articles of Incorporation) were submitted to the Board in April and approved to be submitted to the General Membership for their approval at the May meeting. The voting deadline was June 15th, and the approved revisions were incorporated thereafter.

The Bylaws needed to be revised to match the changes to the Articles. Revisions to the committee lists and reviews of the entire document need to be completed. In May it was decided the 2024-2025 committee assignments should be postponed until the revisions to the Bylaws (specifically the committee lists) can be completed. The only committee assigned at this time is the Bylaws committee that includes the State Executive Committee and a Board member from each chapter that isn't represented by a member of the Executive Committee. The Executive Director is also a non-voting member of the Bylaws Committee.

The plan is to have revisions to the Bylaws presented to the full 2024-2025 Board for review in July and acceptance at the August 16th meeting.

Once the revised Bylaws are approved, the committee will tackle the Handbook.

2023-2024 Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Update

By Gavin P. Gautreau, P.E.

The Louisiana Engineering Society (LES) offers many CPD opportunities both in-person and virtual throughout the year. Combining these events with local chapter activities is a great way to earn credits for the year.

LES CPD Day was held on October 25, 2023 in Baton Rouge, LA.

- Life Safety Code: 65 attendees (46 virtual, 19 in-person)
- ADA: 37 attendees (27 virtual, 10 in-person)
- Ethics: 24 attendees

The LES On-Demand library also offers 33 courses including Life Safety Code (LSC) and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The link to view the courses is included below.

[CPD Library – Revamp – LES \(les-state.org\)](https://www.les-state.org/cpd-library-revamp/)

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The 2024 Joint Engineering Societies Conference (JESC) was held on Feb 16 & 17, 2024, in Lafayette, LA and offered 13 PDH credits. Save the date: The 2025 JESC is scheduled for February 5 & 6, 2025.

We are always looking for new content for the PDH Library. Please let us know if you have ideas and or contributions. Thank you.

As of July 12, 2024, Here is the Engineering Education Committee Report for the Louisiana Engineering Society General Membership Meeting for July 23, 2024.

As has been reported, a Bylaws Committee has been formed by the LES Board which includes a member from each chapter. One item on their agenda has been to review the committees required or mentioned in the bylaws as standing committees or ad hoc committees and to recommend whether or not the committees should continue to exist and remain in the bylaws.

Generally speaking, the engineering education committee acts upon requests or tasks from the Board. My experience is that this committee has not been called upon in the recent past and could be changed from a standing (required) committee to an ad hoc committee. The LES President could easily create this committee if/when needed. One view is that since this committee's tasks could be performed by the PEE Practice Division leadership, this committee is not needed as a standing committee.

Our Engineering Education Committee leadership is currently as follows:

Jeff Pike, Chair

Reggie Jeter, Vice-Chair

Ethics & Professional Conduct Committee Annual Report 2023-2024

The Ethics & Professional Conduct Committee is responsible to investigate and make recommendations to the Board for any matter properly referred to the Committee. In this past fiscal year, there have been no matters brought before the committee; therefore, there has been no activity of the committee to report, which is a good thing.

Honors and Awards Committee

Chad A. Bacas, P.E. – Committee Chair

The LES Honors and Awards Committee convened in Baton Rouge on Friday, November 10, 2023. All LES Chapters had a representative present, and before voting for each award, the committee discussed the qualifications and accomplishments of each nominee. Thanks goes out to the committee as they faced a challenging task as there were several deserving and qualified nominees with years of dedicated service to LES for almost all of the awards. A very nice Honors and Award Banquet was held on February 3, 2024, at the City Club of Baton Rouge to honor all the recipients. The committee extends its congratulations to the following award recipients.

F. Hugh Coughlin Young Engineer Award: N. Dakota Hill, PE (Monroe)

A. B. Paterson Medal for an Engineer in Management: Gregory P. Sepeda, PE (Baton Rouge)

Leo M. Odom Award for Services to the Profession: John J. Plaisance, PE (Bayou)

Andrew M. Lockett Award: Michael D'Angelo, PE (Bayou)

Charles M. Kerr Public Relations Award: Miles B. Williams, PE (Baton Rouge)

James M. Todd Technological Accomplishment Medal: Brett McMann (Baton Rouge)

Waldemar S. Nelson Presidents Award: Ann Forte Trappey, PE (Baton Rouge)

Lifetime Achievement Award: Chris Knotts, PE (Baton Rouge)

N. Dakota Hill Outstanding Chapter President Award: Kalyn Partin, PE (Lake Charles)

Magazine Committee Annual Report 2023-2024

Four magazines were published this past year. This year, the magazine went mostly digital, which helped us stay within our budget while ensuring all LES members and licensees received a copy of the magazine. Life members received a hard copy of the magazine in the mail in addition to the digital version. We issued over 26,000 digital copies of the magazine to members and licensees this year, and we mailed out 800 copies (200 of each issue) to Life members. There were no changes to ad rates this year.

Long Range Planning Committee
Melanie Caillouet, PE

The Long Range Planning Committee did not meet in 2023-2024.

Mathcounts Committee Report
July 23, 2024 General Meeting
Melanie Caillouet, P.E. – Committee Chair

The Chapter Competitions took place on February 1-28. The top students from the Chapter Competitions moved to the State competition. The state competition took place on March 15th in Pineville, Louisiana.

There were 22 schools that participated in the state competition, represented by 99 students. The schools participating in the state competition included:

Alexandria Chapter

Alexandria Country Day School
Rapides Academy
Tioga Junior High School

Baton Rouge Chapter

Episcopal School of Baton Rouge
Glasgow Middle School
LSU Laboratory School
St. Thomas More

Lafayette Chapter

David Thibodaux STEM Magnet Academy
Episcopal School of Acadiana
Our Lady of Fatima School
Paul Breaux Middle School
Youngsville Middle School

Lake Charles Chapter

Deridder Junior High School

Monroe Chapter

A. E. Phillips Laboratory School

New Orleans Chapter

Edward Hynes Charter School
Haynes Academy for Advanced Studies
Lake Castle Slidell Private School
Homeschool
The Willow School

Shreveport Chapter

Benton Middle School
Caddo Parish Middle Magnet School
Green Acres Middle School

The **top teams** at State were:

- 1st – Glasgow Middle School, Baton Rouge Chapter
- 2nd – Lake Castle Private School, New Orleans Chapter
- 3rd – Edward Hynes Charter School, New Orleans Chapter
- 4th – Episcopal School of Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge Chapter

The **top four individuals** comprised our state team at National Competition, and they were:

- 1st – Ziang Zhuang, Glasgow Middle School
- 2nd – Jason Zhou, Glasgow Middle School
- 3rd – Fionna Lu, Glasgow Middle School
- 4th – Wilson Zheng, Lake Castle Private School

Our state coach was the coach from the top team, Coach Allyson Morthland, Glasgow Middle School.

The state team received an all-expense-paid trip to the Raytheon Technologies MathCounts National Competition which was held May 9th through May 12th in Washington, D.C.

Thank you to our 2023 MATHCOUNTS Sponsors!

Also, thank you to all our volunteers at the regional and chapter levels! Without you, we could not provide this experience to 6th through 8th graders throughout the state.

State Membership Committee Report – 2023/2024

Kalyn R. Partin, P.E., Committee Chair

July 2023—2,002 members

Alexandria—99
Baton Rouge—535
Bayou—82
Lafayette—375
Lake Charles—107
Monroe—113
New Orleans—481
Shreveport—136
Non-resident—74

June 2024—2,085 members

Alexandria—98
Baton Rouge—560
Bayou—78
Lafayette—380
Lake Charles—118
Monroe—107
New Orleans—521
Shreveport—131
Non-resident—92

New opportunities and updates:

We have implemented a **Course of the Month program** that is exclusive to attendees of our chapter monthly meetings. Each month, individuals who attend one of the monthly chapter meetings across the state receive a discount code to a specific course in our LES online library. This has been another way to encourage chapter meeting participation, as well as provide additional opportunities to collect PDHs. We plan to continue this incentive throughout the new year and if you attend a meeting, be sure that you get your discount code!

In plans to update our LES online information and provide marketing materials, we have requested **member testimonials** to show how LES is benefitting each of our members. When you provide your responses, you are entered to win a gift card each month. This will go on for a little while longer, so be on the lookout for that opportunity in the statewide LES emails.

We are working on **updating our website information and connecting our members to the LES State Office** better. We want you to be in-the-know. Part of this is making it easier to view and register for chapter and state events through the online calendar. We are striving to make sure that everything is in one place for ease of access. Make sure to check back online as we continue to make updates.

There are more things in the works for the new year and will plan to unveil in the near future!

Scholarship Committee

Melanie Caillouet, PE

Based on the voluntary dues for 2023-2024, the Scholarship Committee was able to award one \$750 scholarship. The committee reviewed the applications for all applicants for the LEF scholarships minus those that were awarded scholarships from LEF and the individual chapters. This year's scholarship went to Toby Latino who is a sophomore in electrical engineering at LA Tech. He is from the Baton Rouge Chapter.

As of July 12, 2024, Here is the PEE Practice Division Report for the Louisiana Engineering Society General Membership Meeting for July 23, 2024.

Current Educators on the LAPELS Board are Reggie Jeter and VJ Gopu. Reggie was appointed in 2019 to replace Paul Hale. Reggie's six-year term is due to end in March 2025. See the note below about Reggie's potential replacement. VJ was appointed in 2022 to replace Jeff Pike, and VJ's term doesn't end until 2028.

The minutes of the LES Board meeting held on May 16, 2024, in Springfield, LA, show a PEE Update & LAPELS nominations – The following nominations are recommended to the board to submit to the Governor's office:

- Gianna M. Cothren, Ph.D., PE
- Hisham E. Hegab, Ph.D., PE
- Michael Theodos, PE
- William David Constant, PE

All of these nominations are a good fit and none are currently preferred over the others.

A motion was made by Clinton Patrick to submit these nominations to the Governor's office for the upcoming LAPELS PEE vacancy. TJ Stokes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Our PEE Practice Division leadership is currently as follows:

Jeff Pike, Chair
Reggie Jeter, Vice-Chair
David Constant, Secretary/Treasurer

July 15, 2024, PEPP Report

This past year PEPP was involved in helping the LES Legislative committee and ACEC in fighting legislation that was filed by the Architects. They filed a bill to remove the Civil Engineers exemption in their law that allows them to design buildings. The bill was eventually amended specifying limits to the exemption.

This past year we also put forth three names to the Governor to replace Chris Richard on the LAPELS board. John Plaisance was selected by the outgoing Governor, but he was not confirmed by the Senate. The new Governor chose not to put John's name forward for confirmation. Susan Richard, who was on the list that was submitted, was chosen by the new administration. Susan will begin serving on the board while awaiting confirmation from the Senate.