



# Mid-South Educational Research Association

Double Tree Hotel

Lafayette, LA

November 5, 2015

## Annual Business Meeting Agenda

President Gail Hughes called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. She reviewed the mission statement approved by the board.

The minutes were corrected to reflect that Randy Parker and Julie Holmes were the official editors of the *Researcher* for a standard term of five (5) years and not permanent editors. Michelle Haj-Brownard moved to approve the minutes as amended, second by Kay Campbell. Motion Carried.

Cliff Hofwolt, Executive Director, reported that as of this afternoon we had 221 in attendance. He thanked the individuals and universities for their in-kind support of the organization, especially Louisiana Tech for the support they provide for publication of the *Researcher*.

President Gail Hughes highlighted the achievements for her administration:

- Established Program Co-chair

- Drafted new role of Associate Director

- Established Committee Meetings

- Piloted Working Roundtables

Established a special MSERA conference of *RITS* – Official call for papers will be in January. Only those papers presented can be in the journal.

- Adopted New Logo



Thank board: officers, state reps, at-large reps, graduate reps, mentors,  
webmaster, committee chairs

Plaques to outgoing chairs, other board members

Outstanding Paper Awards – Dustin Hebert

Herbert Handley Outstanding Dissertation – James Bridgeforth

James McLean Outstanding Paper – Suzanne Franco

Distinguished Awards – Gail Hughes

Harry L. Bowman Service Award – The NCS Luster

Walter Mathews Historical Contributions Award – Randy

Distinguished Dissertation Award – James Bridgeforth

Distinguished Award – Suzanne Franco

Thank you to outgoing board members

Ava Pugh 2015 RIP Award

Acknowledged Bob Busdan as the founder of the MSERA Foundation

Board. Attached the Foundation Board Members - [Get a list of board members](#)

Awards:

Kevin Algallo –

Jennifer Sanders – MS State

Kathryn C

Justina Agado – Alabama

John Coleman – not attending

Elizabeth Eubanks – Alabama

Lashana Stovall – Louisiana

Jane Pableco – Louisiana



Amy Thompson – Arkansas

Tammy Hayes Tennessee not attending

Lashrinda Thompson not attending

Whenshen Hu – Tennessee

Ricahrd Heyman – Tennessee not attending

Angelical Trostrop - Tennessee

Nominations for MSERA Officers – Kathy Campbell

Call for Nominations from the floor:

At Large Director Nominations from the floor

Abraham Andero nominated by Andy Parker

Debbie Dailey nominated by Rochelle last name

Graduate Student Rep nominations from the floor

Kacia Gallo Mississippi State nominated by David Morse,

John Saunders Mississippi State by Michiehl Haj-Broussard

Amy Thompson University of Central Arkansas nominated by Sara

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LEA/SDE nominations from the floor

Ni'Shawn Covalle nominated by Suzanna Craig second by

Michelle Haj-Broussard LEA/SDE Rep

President Elect - Rebecca Robichaux-Davis moved that Franz Reneau be elected President Elect by acclamation second by Michelle Haj-Broussard

Jane Nell moved that nominations be closed.

The following were elected:

At-Large Directors



Deborah McCarthy - Southeastern

Deborah King - McNeese

Lindsey Jakiel Diulus - Nunez

Abraham Andero – Albany State

Graduate Student Rep

Kacie Gallo

Announcement and presentation of the 2016 Meeting to be held in Mobile, AL.

Gail Hughes installed the new officers and board members.

Gail Hughes turned over the gavel to President Elect Dustin Hebert. Dustin Hebert recognized Gail for her leadership.

Invitation to all to go to reception

Motion to adjourn Michelle Lej-Broussard, seconded by Larry Daniels

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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