1. **CALL TO ORDER** - 9:30 A.M. – 9:40 A.M.
   A. Roll Call
   B. Reading and Approval of Minutes – September 11, 2012 Meeting

2. **PROGRAM ACTIVITIES** - 9:40 A.M. – 9:50 A.M.
   A. Personnel Changes
      Delaina LeBlanc, Migratory Bird Coordinator was hired January 7, 2013.
   B. Presentations/Exhibits/Field Trips/ Volunteer Events
      • Nicholls State University Welcome Back Day – Alma Robichaux, Kerry St. Pé
      • 2nd Annual “Gulf” Tournament – All Staff
      • Collection of Persimmon seeds at NSU – Matt Benoit
      • Nicholls State University class presentation on Louisiana for Shana Walton – Alma Robichaux
      • Collection of Red-bellied Pacu – Joe Dantin, Michael Massimi
      • Roughleaf dogwood seed collection – Matt Benoit
      • Bitter Panicum Harvest for Volunteer Event – Matt Benoit, Joe Dantin
      • Birding tour of Trinity Island for Bird Curriculum Workshop on Migratory Birds – Joe Dantin
      • Volunteer planting and monitoring program on West Raccoon Island with LUMCON, NSU and various community volunteers – Joe Dantin, Matt Benoit
      • Oil spill presentation/activity at St. Francis Episcopal in Houma – Alma Robichaux
      • Terrebonne Bird Club presentation – Richard DeMay
      • St. Joseph Elementary School presentation, dissection of Hyacinths and art project with plant painting – Alma Robichaux, Kristy Monier
      • Piping Plover survey along Caminada Headland – Richard DeMay
      • Rio Grande Cichild Rodeo in New Orleans City Park with LDWF – Michael Massimi
      • Nicholls State University Biology Society presentation – Joe Dantin
      • 17th annual Sponsor A+ Wine & Food Tasting Extravaganza at Nicholls State University – Kerry St. Pé, Andrew Barron, Joe Dantin, Jenny Schexnayder
      • Soil Sampling at Fourchon – Matt Benoit, Joe Dantin
      • Fletcher Community College presentation to Geology 1010 classes – Andrew Barron
      • Collection of Live Sand Oak in Apalachicola, FL – Matt Benoit
      • St. Charles Women’s Club presentation and distribution of material – Andrew Barron
      • Chauvin Arts Festival presentation and distribution of material – Alma Robichaux
      • Collection of Growth and Erosion Data on Fourchon Ridge – Joe Dantin
      • LSU Taxonomy & Ecology of Wetland Plants – Michael Massimi
      • LUMCON education day on the Acadian – Joe Dantin
      • Keep Louisiana Beautiful Conference – Alma Robichaux
      • South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center’s Rougarou Festival – Alma Robichaux
      • Collection of apple snails with E.D. White students – Michael Massimi, Alma Robichaux
      • Ocean Commotion – Alma Robichaux
• Three Piping Plover Surveys (Grand Isle) – Richard DeMay
• Second Summit on Coastal Restoration in Lafourche and Terrebonne for Non-Governmental Organizations Panelist - Andrew Barron
• Wetlands Class at St. Joseph Elementary – Alma Robichaux
• NSU Green Club Presentation – Alma Robichaux
• Sun Come Up documentary screening and facilitated discussion – Kerry St.Pé
• Audubon Aquarium of the Americas native plants collection – Andrew Barron, Michael Massimi, Matt Benoit
• LaFete d’Ecology – All Staff
• Recycle Day with NSU Green Club – Kristy Monier, Jenny Schexnayder
• Ecosystem Based Management case study – Kerry St. Pé
• Cat Island Field Trip – Kerry St. Pé
• Oil Spill Play – Kerry St. Pé, Alma Robichaux
• Louisiana Master Naturalist Certification Training – Andrew Barron
• Grand Isle Dune Creation volunteer event - Joe Dantin, Matt Benoit, Dean Blanchard, Kerry St. Pé, Kristy Monier, Jenny Schexnayder
• Mandalay Wildlife Refuge – Joe Dantin, Matt Benoit
• New Orleans, Lake Pontchartrain, St. Bernard Delta Session of Master Naturalist Program – Andrew Barron
• Central Lafourche High School– Joe Dantin
• Larose/Cut Off Elementary – Alma Robichaux
• Plant Collection in Lake Fields – Joe Dantin, Matt Benoit, Dean Blanchard
• Center for Bioenvironmental Research at Tulane/Xavier Universities – Michael Massimi
• Louisiana Master Naturalist Program pilot course – Andrew Barron (6 workshops), Michael Massimi (4 workshops)

A. Media Interviews (As of January 11, 2013)

Daily Comet (Thibodaux, LA)
• “Rat Bastards: New show highlights serious problem” - July 31, 2012
• “Officials aim to stop invasive species’ growth” – August 8, 2012
• “Mudbug Mischief: La. Crawfish wreaking havoc around the world” – August 18, 2012
• “Workshop educates teachers on Terrebonne’s coastal birds” – August 22, 2012
• “Hundreds of dead fish beset bayous” - September 6, 2012
• “Estuary program hopes to rehabilitate islands” – September 15, 2012
• “Local area tops nutria harvest” - September 17, 2012
• “Diversion present flood of concerns” – September 18, 2012
• “River projects present flood of concerns” – September 19, 2012
• “Bayou cleanup gets state grant money” – October 1, 2012
• “Help clean up Bayou Lafourche” - October 13, 2012
• “Climate change documentary to hit home for coastal residents” - October 22, 2012
• “Festival showcases Louisiana’s culture and environment” – November 5, 2012
• “Groups ask Congress not to cut restoration” - November 22, 2012
• “Father, son share competition success” – November 26, 2012
• “Fiscal cliff threatens coastal agency” – November 30, 2012
• “Volunteers sought for restoration” – November 30, 2012
• “Trying to restore 2 Cat Islands for bird nests” – December 3, 2012
• “Design a poster for bayou cleanup” – December 11, 2012
• “Treat your dog to nutria snacks” – December 18, 2012
• “Barrier Island project awaiting approval from BP” – December 22, 2012
• “Birds, people helped by work” – December 26, 2012

The Courier (Houma, LA)
• “Rat Bastards: New show highlights serious problem” - July 31, 2012
• “Officials target invasive species” - August 8, 2012
• “Mudbug Mischief: La. Crawfish wreaking havoc around the world” – August 18, 2012
• “Local workshop educates teachers about coastal birds” – August 22, 2012
• “Why should we restore the coast” – August 24, 2012
• “Dead fish beset Terrebonne, Lafourche bayous” - September 6, 2012
• “Estuary program hopes to rehabilitate islands” – September 15, 2012
• “Rat Race: Local area tops nutria harvest” - September 17, 2012
• “Diversions present flood of concerns” – September 18, 2012
• “River projects present flood of concerns” – September 19, 2012
• “Bayou Lafourche cleanup gets state grant money” – September 29, 2012
• “Help clean up Bayou Lafourche” - October 14, 2012
• “Climate change documentary to hit home for coastal residents” - October 22, 2012
• “Festival showcases Louisiana’s culture and environment” – November 5, 2012
• “Groups ask Congress not to cut restoration” – November 22, 2012
• “Volunteers sought for restoration” – November 30, 2012
• “Design a poster for bayou cleanup” – December 11, 2012
• “Treat your dog, save the wetlands” - December 17, 2012
• “Barrier Island project awaiting approval” – December 22, 2012
• “Bayou cleanup gets state grant money” – September 30, 2012
• “Traditional south LA. Fishing techniques you can practice” – December 23, 2012

The La Conservationist (Baton Rouge, LA)
• “Ghost Wranglin, A look inside the 2012 Derelict Crab Trap Rodeo” – Spring 2012

The Plaquemines Gazette (Belle Chase, LA)
• “It’s time to make a move” – December 25, 2012

The Lafourche Gazette (Larose, LA)
• “BTNEP looking for folklife artist for upcoming La Fete d’Ecologie – August 19, 2012
• “Teachers educated on coastal issues” - September 23, 2012
• “Planning begins for next year’s bayou cleanup event” - October 14, 2012
• “Volunteers sought for Grand Isle State Park fencing and planting event” – December 2, 2012
• “Wild nutria dog biscuits hit local markets ” – December 19, 2012

The Assumption Pioneer (Napoleonville, LA)
• “Volunteers needed for Grand Isle State Park Fencing and Planting event” – December 6,
2012

The Daily Iberian (New Iberia, LA)
• “Teaching the teachers about La.’s coastal wetland resources” – July 29, 2012
• “Isaac leaves behind dead fish in bayous” – September 9, 2012
• “Try to restore Cat Island for bird nests” – December 3, 2012

The Daily Review (Morgan City, LA)
• “Folklife Artists Announcement” - August 22, 2012
• “Tiger Shrimp invade Gulf of Mexico waters” – August 31, 2012
• “Folklife Artists Announcement” - September 13, 2012
• “Folklife Artists Announcement” - September 14, 2012
• “La Fete d’Ecologie set at Lake End Park Saturday” - November 9, 2012
• “Festival celebrates culture, awareness of imperiled wetlands” – November 12, 2012
• Picture of Andrew Barron demonstrating at La Fete d’Ecologie – November 13, 2012
• “Cat Island bird habitat steadily eroding” – December 5, 2012

The News-Star (Monroe, LA)
• “Isaac leaves behind dead fish in bayous” – September 9, 2012
• “Trying to restore Cat Islands for bird nests” – December 3, 2012

The Nicholls Worth (Nicholls State University, Thibodaux, LA)
• “2013 Clean Bayou Lafourche Event” – October 18, 2012
• “Nicholls Stays Green” – November 15, 2012
• “Effects of Earth’s climate change noticeable in Louisiana” - November 15, 2012

Louisiana Sportsman (Boutte, LA)
• “Barrier islands take hit after Hurricane Isaac, coastal restoration group says” – September 28, 2012
• “Hurricane Isaac damage to barrier islands severe” – November 2012

The Times-Picayune (NOLA.com) (New Orleans, LA)
• “Louisiana wins federal approval to use offshore sand for coastal restoration” – August 20, 2012
• “La. Farmer is featured in BP initiative video” – December 19, 2012

The Tri-Parish Times (Houma, LA)
• “Goings On – La Fete d’Ecologie” – November 7, 2012
• “Morgan City fest targets sobering threat” – November 7, 2012

The Banner-Tribune (Franklin, LA)
• “Festival celebrates culture of Louisiana’s vanishing wetlands” – November 14, 2012
• “Efforts are under way to restore two Cat Islands for birds” – November 29, 2012

The Saint Mary Journal (Morgan City, LA)
• Picture of Andrew Barron demonstrating at La Fete d’Ecologie – November 25, 2012
• “Morgan City fest targets sobering threat” – November 7, 2012
The Bayou Journal (Pierre Part, LA)
- “La Fete d’Ecologie at Lake End Park” – November 20, 2012

The Advocate (Baton Rouge, LA)
- “Bird nesting habitat fades away” - November 26, 2012

The Crowley Post-Signal (Crowley, LA)
- “EPA awards over $1.1 million to La., Texas” – September 4, 2012

Opelousas Daily World (Opelousas, LA)
- “Isaac leaves dead fish in bayous” - September 9, 2012

The Plaquemines Gazette (Belle Chase, LA)
- “LDWF educates teachers about Louisiana’s coastal resources” – July 31, 2012

The Natchitoches Times (Natchitoches, LA)
- “WETSHOP 2012 Educates Teachers on Issues Facing Louisiana’s Coastal Resources ” – August 2, 2012

The Donaldsonville Chief (Donaldsonville, LA)
- “Environmental festival to be held in November ” – August 9, 2012

KATC.com (St. Mary Parish, LA)

Kfolkjun.com (HTV) (Houma, LA)
- “BTNEP Volunteer Program holds Raccoon Island Restoration Project” – October 1, 2012

Arkansas Online, Arkansas Democrat Gazette (Little Rock, AR)
- “Isaac leaves behind dead fish in bayous“ – September 8, 2012

Digitirad.com (WFMY News 2) (Greensboro, NC)
- “In Louisiana, Who gets to live behind levees?” – August 31, 2012

Other Interviews:
- Photographer Dee Rogers, assistance in illustrating the loss of land for “Losing Ground” project – Kerry St. Pe’
- Daily Comet, Maritime Forest Ridge Project – Kerry St. Pe’
- Charlie Whinham of LPB, nutria, mini-grants and Marsh Dog – Michael Massimi
- WWLTV (Channel 4 News), Coastal Restoration projects and the fiscal cliff budget - Kerry St. Pe’
- KQKI (Morgan City), La Fete d’Ecologie - Kerry St. Pe’ & Kristy Monier
- KBZE (Morgan City), La Fete d’Ecologie - Kerry St. Pe’ & Kristy Monier
- KCIL/KXOR (Houma, LA) La Fete d’Ecologie - Kerry St. Pe’ & Kristy Monier
• Gumbo Entertainment, La Fete d’Ecologie – Kristy Monier
• Houma Courier, thoughts on presentation given by USACE on Freshwater Diversion - Kerry St. Pe’
• WWL Radio, Recap after the storm Isaac - Kerry St. Pe’ (3 interviews)
• USA Today, Discussion regarding Hurricane Isaac - Kerry St. Pe’

C. Meetings
• Terrebonne Coastal Zone Management & Restoration Advisory Committee – Matt Benoit
• Brown Marsh meeting Grand Isle and Fourchon – Joe Dantin
• Climate Change Workshop sponsored by Sea Grant – Alma Robichaux
• 2nd Annual “Gulf Tournament” meeting – Kerry St. Pé, Dean Blanchard, Alma Robichaux, Jenny Schexnayder
• Bayou Grace’s “Why Should We Save Our Coastal Louisiana” - Kerry St. Pé, Alma Robichaux
• The Water Institute of the Gulf open house– Kerry St. Pé, Dean Blanchard, Alma Robichaux
• Lafourche Parish Game and Fish Commission – Joe Dantin
• CWPPRA Technical Meeting – Kerry St. Pé
• ORAP Conference Call – Kerry St. Pé
• Bayou Lafourche Freshwater District meeting – Alma Robichaux
• Expansion of Planting Facility meeting/tour of facility with NSU– Dean Blanchard, Joe Dantin, Matt Benoit
• National Geographic Invasive Species Series meeting with Brook Lee of Hoosick Falls Production – Michael Massimi
• CPRA meeting – Kerry St.Pé
• North Lafourche Levee District meeting – Joe Dantin, Matt Benoit
• Bird curriculum workshop on migratory birds – Alma Robichaux
• Illustration and Design meeting for 2013 Tidal Graph Calendar – Andrew Barron
• USGS National Wetlands Research Center ‘s “Conservation of Water Birds Using Dredged-material Islands and Protected Beaches” – Richard Demay
• Louisiana Master Naturalist steering committee meetings – Andrew Barron, Michael Massimi
• Shell Oil – Kerry St. Pé
• Sustainability Project meeting with E.D. White High School - Alma Robichaux
• Wild Birds Unlimited meeting – Richard DeMay
• South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center Board Meeting – Alma Robichaux
• Bayou Lafourche Freshwater District Meeting – Almas Robichaux
• Coastal Zone Management Advisory Committee Meeting – Kerry St. Pé
• Bayou Lafourche Clean Up Meetings – Alma Robichaux
• LSTA Conference Planning meeting with CWPPRA – Alma Robichaux
• Association of National Estuary Programs meeting in Tampa, FL – Alma Robichaux
• Fastland Map meeting with Lafourche Parish Office of Coastal Zone Management/Planning and Permitting
• Pelican Island meet with Shell Oil, Plaquemines Parish, and CPRA – Kerry St. Pé, Dean Blanchard, Richard DeMay
• Website Content/Management – Alma Robichaux, Jenny Schexnayder
• Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries – Joe Dantin
• CWPPRA Outreach – Alma Robichaux
• Louisiana Science Teachers Association Conference – Alma Robichaux
• Moran Printing – Andrew Barron
• Lafourche Parish School Board Academically Gifted Program – Alma Robichaux
• Lafourche Parish Coastal Zone Management Board Meeting – Kerry St. Pé
• CPRA meeting – Kerry St. Pé
• Sewage Pollution Project meeting with Louisiana DEQ – Alma Robichaux, Andrew Barron
• NSU Farm Project – Kerry St. Pé, Dean Blanchard
• Water Quality Coordination meeting – Andrew Barron
• Oyster Habitat Paper – Kerry St. Pé, Dean Blanchard
• Rouses Supermarket Grant Proposal – Alma Robichaux, Jenny Schexnayder
• Bayou Industrial Group – Kerry St. Pé’
• Lafourche Parish Game & Fish Commission – Joe Dantin
• Bayou Folse meeting Watershed Plan for TMDLs meeting with Bayouland Resource Conservation and Development Council – Andrew Barron
• Bayou Grace Community Services/Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government – Joe Dantin
• NSU Farm Project – Kerry St. Pé, Dean Blanchard, Matt Benoit, Joe Dantin
• Davis Pond Advisory Committee - Kerry St. Pé, Andrew Barron
• Bayou Lafourche Freshwater District meeting – Kerry St. Pé
• I Remember Planning meeting – Kerry St. Pé, Alma Robichaux, Kristy Monier, Jenny Schexnayder
• South Central Industrial Association – Alma Robichaux
• Fourchon Oilmen’s Association – Joe Dantin

D. Projects Initiated
• Protecting Coastal Breeding Sites for Colonial Nesting Seabirds
• Piping Plover and Nesting Bird Surveys and Pre-Construction Benthic Invertebrate Sampling

3. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE – 9:50 A.M. – 9:55 A.M.
   • Suggested Date – May 8, 2013, Nicholls State University Century Room

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS – 10:00 A.M. – 11:50 A.M.
   
   A. Cat Island Project – F. Ryan Clark, PGeol, ARCADIS U.S., Inc. (30 minutes)
B. BioBlitz – Angela Rathle, Supervisory Park Ranger, Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve (15 minutes)
C. Long-Distance Sediment Pipeline Project update – Kenneth Bahlinger, CPRA (30 minutes)
D. I Remember – Susan Testroet-Bergeron, Education Specialist CWPPRA (15 minutes)
E. Louisiana Master Naturalist Program – Bob Thomas (20 minutes)

5. New Business
   A. Bayou Lafourche Cleanup – Alma Robichaux
   B. Paddle Bayou Lafourche - Kristy Monier
   C. Statewide Nutrient Management Strategy for Louisiana – Richard Raynie of CPRA

6. Adjourn