

**Minutes of Sugarcane Advisory Committee
June 29, 2006**

Call to Order by Chairman, Randy Duplantis

Members present—Randy Duplantis, Andy Gerard, James Trahan, Justin Frederick, Mike Comb, Roy Latiolais, Tim Albert, Stacy Albert, Hobson Champagne, Craig Melancon, Curry Albert, Charlie Levert, Lester Bergeron, Willie Price, Ronald Francis and Stan Dutile.

Minutes of June 1, 2006 – A motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes by Roy Latiolais, and was seconded by Tim Albert. Motion was passed.

Treasurer's Report – in the absence of Treasurer, Mike Melancon, county agent Alfred Guidry reported that the account was in good shape and that \$1000 had already been received for the 44th Annual Sugarcane Field Day.

44th Annual Sugarcane Field Day: County agent reported that the field day was set for July 29, 2006, and that the WOW building had been secured for the meeting.

A motion by Tim Albert, seconded by Curry Albert, to continue to use the Sheriff's Department to cook the meal passed. It was discussed that Poche's will be a back-up in the event that the Sheriff's Department is unable to cook the meal. Poche's did offer a price of \$6.50 a meal for barbeque chicken or pork served and delivered to the WOW building.

Guest speaker – Mike Comb, manager of LASUCA, and Alfred will try to secure a speaker for the event.

Field Day sponsors were provided to all committee members.

A brief discussion on the Ag Disaster Bill was provided by Alfred, county agent.

A discussion was held on the County Agent's Plan of Work. All committee members agreed that the current POW was serving the needs of the sugarcane farmers. Alfred Guidry, county agent, expressed his thanks to the committee and expressed the fact that if there is anything that they would like to see in demonstrations, etc., that he would invite all suggestions for 2007.

Alfred reminded the committee of the Farm Bureau Convention to be held in New Orleans from July 6-8th. He also told producers that the St. Gabriel Field Day will be on July 19th.

There being no further business, a motion by Stacy Albert, seconded by Ronald Francis, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was passed.