

DeSoto Parish
Agriculture and Natural Resources
Advisory Leadership Council
March 5, 2009

Members and Guest Present- Jerry Holmes, Jennie Rogers, Freddie Allison, Joey Register, Brian Baiamonte, Dianne Mason, Andy Loftus and Chuck Griffin

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. The DeSoto Soil and Water Conservation District and the LSU AgCenter Collaborated in this Local Advisory Leadership Council to determine the major concerns and issues of DeSoto Parish Residence.

The major concerns which the LSU AgCenter would assist in holding educational activities where:

1. Impact on Water Quality and Quantity due to large amount of gas production in parish.
2. Forage Management for both Quality of forage and Quantity of forage being produced
3. Beef Management during high input cost.
4. Timber best management practices.
5. Sustainability of the Dairy Industry.
6. Weed Control in pastures and recreational ponds.

After issues were identified and rank, the council enjoyed a meal sponsored by DeSoto Parish Farm Bureau.