

# SEAHO State Representative Report

## Louisiana State Report

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### I. State Officers

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### Goals

1. Create and maintain a LAHO website where the state newsletter, conference registration, job postings, and award nominations and voting may be completed electronically.
2. Increase professional involvement in LAHO and SEAHO.
3. Increase RA and RHD interest in pursuing housing professional careers across the state.
4. Increase communication and camaraderie among state housing professionals.

### II. State Conference News

Our state conference, regularly scheduled in September in New Orleans was cancelled due to Hurricane Katrina. The executive board of LAHO is currently communicating in an effort to plan a one day meeting/professional development. The executive committee met in June to prepare for the upcoming LAHO meeting that was planned to be held at the LACUSPA conference in New Orleans. At this meeting the following occurred:

1. Nominations were made to replace Brian Hayse, former president elect who moved out of state.
2. A proposal was introduced and approved to have the new state representative take over office at the SEAHO conference the spring after they are elected. This will allow the new representative time to plan and submit travel requests to attend the following midyear. Under the previous structure, the representative was elected in late September and had a few short weeks to prepare for the midyear conference.
3. Celena Trahan, LSU Graduate Assistant was selected to propose an outline for spirit at the ERA conference to be submitted at the LACUSPA meeting.
4. Plans were made to slowly transition the ERA conference into a more student led conference.

### III. Awards

Awards are presented annually at ERA. We have not had any awards since the last report.

### IV. SEAHO Involvement

This is of HUGE concern to our organization presently due to the statewide travel and hiring freezes following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

### V. New Programs

None to report at this time.