



**RUSTON LINCOLN CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
8:00 A.M. MARCH 15, 2018  
2111 NORTH TRENTON  
RUSTON, LA**

**Minutes**

**Members Present:**

Bradley Walker, Chair  
*Vacant, Vice Chair*  
Jeff Parker, Treasurer  
Tiffany Baldwin  
Andy Durrett  
Clair Givens  
Richard Lewis  
Skip Russell

**Staff Present:**

Travis Napper, President/CEO  
Amanda Quimby, Marketing Director

**Members Absent:**

Marc Newman

**Visitors Present:**

Paul Kabbes

**Call to Order**

Mr. Walker called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

**Invocation**

Mr. Russell presented the invocation.

**Review of Mission Statement**

Mr. Lewis presented the mission statement.

**Approval of Agenda**

**Action Item #1: Mr. Lewis made a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Baldwin seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Approval of Minutes**

**Action Item #2: Mr. Russell made a motion to approve the minutes from the March meeting. Mr. Parker seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.**

#### **Public Comments**

None

#### **President/CEO's Report**

Mr. Napper reported that the lodging tax was down 3% and down 1.5% for the year, but it should be up in April. Mr. Napper let the board know that Paul Kabbes with Louisiana Tech Athletics will be replacing Marco Born. He will be official on the board next month. Mr. Napper reported that his trip to NASC in Minneapolis went well. He also announced there should be someone hired at the sports complex very soon. Mr. Napper informed the board of recent groundbreaking for the sports complex and new shopping center as well as new updates to Celebrity Theatre. He reminded the board that Ruston is now a Certified Retirement Community and that Ruston's main street won Louisiana Main Street of the Year.

**Action Item #3: Mr. Lewis made a motion to approve the President/CEO Report. Ms. Baldwin seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.**

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Mr. Parker gave the financial report for March and April. Revenues exceeded Expenses for the months. A double payment was made to Lincoln Parish Park since there was no payment in February.

**Action Item #4: Mr. Lewis made a motion to hold the treasurer's report over for audit. Mr. Durrett seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously**

#### **Chairman's Report**

Mr. Walker asked for better communication within the board so that with enough notice, meetings can be rescheduled for lack of quorum. Mr. Walker welcomed Mr. Kabbes to the board.

**Action Item #5: Ms. Badlwin made a motion to approve the chairman's report. Mr. Russell seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:21 a.m.**