

RUSTON LINCOLN CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 8:00 A.M. OCTOBER 21, 2021 910 NORTH TRENTON ST. RUSTON, LA

Minutes

Members Present:

Josh Perot, Chair Rob Owens, Treasurer Andy Durrett Staci Faulkner Jeff Parker Matt Pullin

Members Absent:

Vacant, Vice Chair Jeff McGehee Shannon Reeves

Guest Present:

Tim Padgett

Call to Order

Mr. Perot called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

Invocation

Mr. Pullin presented the invocation.

Review of Mission Statement

Ms. Faulkner presented the mission statement.

Approval of Agenda

Staff Present:

Amanda Carrier, President & CEO Tori Davis, Marketing Director

Action Item #1: Mr. Owens made a motion to approve the agenda with a change of moving Item I, a brief tour of the Library Events Center, to Item XV. Ms. Faulkner seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

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

Public Comment

Tim Padgett introduced himself to the Board as a pending board member to represent Louisiana Tech University.

President/CEO's Report

Ms. Carrier reported that lodging tax was up 1.65% for August and up 74% year-to-date. She noted that August 2021 was down 13.5% compared to August 2019 and year-to-date 2021 is down 11% compared to 2019.

Action Item #3: Mr. Pullin made a motion to approve the President's Report. Mr. Owens seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Approvals

Ms. Carrier presented the Grambling State University Athletics sponsorship to the Board for approval. Ms. Carrier presented a statement of support for the Lincoln Parish Library to the Board for approval.

Action Item #4: Ms. Faulkner made a motion to approve the Grambling State University Athletics sponsorship. Mr. Durrett seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Action Item #5: Mr. Pullin made a motion to approve the statement of support for the Lincoln Parish Library. Ms. Faulkner seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Sales and Marketing Report

Ms. Davis presented the sales and marketing report. She shared that there are several new leads for future events and meetings, and holiday campaigns will launch on Nov. 1.

Action Item #6: Mr. Owens made a motion to approve the Sales & Marketing Report. Mr. Parker seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Personnel Committee Report

Representing the personnel committee, Ms. Faulkner recommended changes to the RLCVB Policy and Procedures and Employee Manual.

Action Item #7: Mr. Pullin made a motion to approve the recommended changes to the RLCVB Policy and Procedures and Employee Manuel. Mr. Owens seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Owens presented the Treasurer's report. He reported that revenues exceeded expenses for the month of September. Revenues exceeded expenses for the year.

Action Item #8: Ms. Faulkner made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Pullin seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report

Mr. Perot shared that there will be an added agenda item in future meetings to highlight one new project or initiative that is currently being executed by CVB staff.

Action Item #9: Mr. Parker made a motion to approve the Chairman's Report. Mr. Owens seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Proposed 2022 Budget

Ms. Carrier presented the amended 2021 budget and proposed 2022 budget.

Action Item #10: Mr. Parker made a motion to approve the amended 2021 budget and proposed 2022 budget. Mr. Owens seconded. All present said aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 a.m.