

Howard County Tourism Council, Inc.
Board Meeting Minutes
May 29, 2018
Howard Community College

Term Ends EOFY		First	Last	Present
		Bates	Gail	
		Guzzone	Guy	
		Harden	Al	Y
		Ebersole	Eric	
		Wilson	Diane	
		Besson	Karen	
		Johnson	Kathy	
2019	Executive	Libber	Mike	
2018	Executive	Mangione	Pete	Y
2018	Executive	Mangus	Becky	
2019	voting	Mattis	Julia	
2018	voting	Barnard	Valerie	
2020	voting	Nicklas	Barbara	Y
2018	Executive	Balderson	David	Y
2020	Executive	Chandler	Chuck	Y
2018	Executive	Clark	Martha	Y
2018	voting	Kelehan	Kevin	Y
2020	voting	Buscher	Tori	
2021	voting	Turner	Katie	Y
2021	voting	Troglio	Aimee	Y
2021	voting	Kennedy	Ian	Y
2021	voting	Hasseltine	Terry	Y

7 of 15 voting members required for quorum.

- 8:34 meeting called to order-quorum
- EC Flood-reflections-board will be willing to help us however to keep the office going
 - We will be setting up temporary offices-perhaps at Turf Valley
 - We will be contacting Howard Hughes and County Gov't to find a more permanent home
- Staff update-Sally is no longer with the company-this was a decision that was not made lightly, and will be the best for the company. Details surrounding this and any other personnel matter are confidential.
- Consent Agenda
 - April meeting minutes and financials
 - Motion to approve, and second
 - All in favor
 - Budget is right on, the numbers don't necessarily match right now because of the County Grant payment schedule
- New Business
 - Annual Meeting-September 14-luncheon
 - Working with Barb for a speaker for this meeting
 - County Executive and County Council are invited
 - Tickets will be about \$50
 - We can accommodate up to 300 @ Turf Valley
 - New award category-adding Hospitality Employee of the Year award this will be nominated by the membership
 - Looking for nominations from the Board for Tourism Person of the Year and Member of the year.
 - Annual Meeting will serve as a Board meeting, if anything important needs to be addressed, a different meeting will be called
 - We will announce new board members, recognize existing and outgoing board members at the annual meeting
 - Call for ideas about how to make the Annual Meeting the event we want
 - Resident Agent Change
 - The Board of Directors of Howard County Tourism Council Inc., a corporation organized in Maryland, on May 29, 2018, approved a resolution to name Amanda Hof, Interim Executive Director, as resident agent for the organization. Kevin Kelehan made the motion to put Amanda on as the resident agent. The motion was seconded by Barbara Nicklas. The Motion Passed.
 - Board Ballot
 - Must go out 45 days before Annual Meeting.
 - Need a vote on the language given on the meeting agenda
 - Motion to accept & Seconded
 - No opposition
 - FY19 nominees-Martha as nominating committee
 - David Balderson, Kevin Kelehan & Valerie Bernard will roll off
 - Looking for recommendations--do we want another person from CA? Do we want a lawyer? We need more diversity.
 - Discussion:
 - Korean Way representative? Lan Lan Xue - heading up the HoCo Multicultural Center

- Columbia Association makes sense
 - Phillip Dodge-Downtown Columbia Partnership
 - Elkridge isn't really represented--is there someone we can bring in?--beer establishments? JailBreak? Elkridge Improvement Group--ask for recommendations
 - Agri-businesses? Larriland Farm? Tim Dowd-Circle D (he'd like to send Kate, his daughter)
 - Savage - Sue Wary-Sweet Cascades owner
 - Nixon's Farm
 - Wineries
 - Pete, Chuck, Aimee and Kevin will be able to help with the contact process
- Any thoughts from the Board on trying to fill categorized seats, or shall we trust in the committee to look at the big picture and pick the best candidates? Group wants to trust the committee, and wants to make sure that people are engaged more than filling an empty place
- Extension of terms for legacy members
 - Pete, Becky and Martha, vote to extend their terms by 3 extra years
 - This will be a good idea because of the current transition in power, and especially in light of the EC Flood
 - Move to accept, and second--no oppositions
- FY18 meeting details
 - All dates have been handed out
 - Error on the November 27, 2018 board meeting time. It is 8:30 am, not 3:00 pm.
 - December date was moved to accommodate holidays
 - The May meeting will move to not conflict with Memorial Day in the future
 - June 28th will have to move--Turf and Wayside Inn and Savage Mill have all extended offices for board meeting use
- Call for new business
- Motion to adjourn--seconded & passed