

Summary of the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lake Charles/ Southwest Louisiana Convention & Visitors Bureau, State of Louisiana, taken at a regular meeting held March 29, 2018 at the bureau, 1205 N. Lakeshore Dr., Lake Charles, LA, at 10:00 a.m.

In attendance was the Board of Directors as follows:

Samuel "Sam" Wilkinson
Evette Gradney
Edwina Medearis
Mark Lavergne
Gerry Del Prete
Jonathan Ringo

Absent: Oliver "Rick" Richard, Lauren Cooper, Nick Zaver, Rob King and Brian Levens

Also present was Shelley Johnson, executive director and Kyle Edmiston, deputy director.

Approved the agenda for the March 29, 2018 meeting as presented and asked for any public comment.

Approved the minutes from the February 22, 2018 meeting as presented.

Approved the February 2018 financial report as submitted.

Approved the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire as part of the 2017 audit process.

Approved a Tourism Enhancement Development Zone Grant Application for the City of DeQuincy.

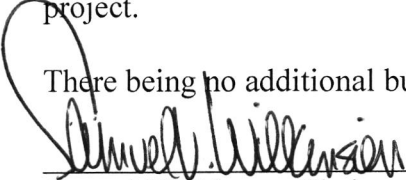
Approved an application from the Louisiana Pirate Festival for Tourism Marketing Development Grant.

Approved the department reports from tourist information, advertising, reader's response, film commission, convention sales, tour and travel, services and itineraries as presented.

Moved to give Shelley Johnson the authority to make the final decision on the new palm trees based on 3 bids and to adjust the budget accordingly.

Moved to give the Executive Committee the authority to approve the CEA regarding the Turf project.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned.



Samuel Wilkinson, Chairman



Shelley Johnson, Executive Director