

Summary of the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southwest Louisiana Convention & Visitors Bureau, the State of Louisiana, taken at a regular meeting held December 11, 2025, at the Bureau, 1205 N. Lakeshore Dr., Lake Charles, LA, at 10:00 a.m.

In attendance was the Board of Directors as follows:

Nathaniel Allured
Hiren Zaveri
Ricky Self
Eric Avery
Evelyn White
Jay Kumar
Derrick Morris
Kala Kuhlthau
Janie Fruge
John Hamati

Absent: Jana Crain

Also present was Kyle Edmiston, president/CEO

Approved the agenda for the meeting on December 11, 2025, as presented.

Approved the meeting minutes from October 30, 2025, as presented.

Approved the October 2025 financial reports as submitted.

Approved granting Nathaniel Allured the authority to appoint and oversee a VLC Self-Assessment Task Force and to table the contractual agreement with Civitas Advisors.

Approved the Finance and Advertising Committee's recommendations and the 2026 budget by resolution as submitted.

Approved engaging McElroy, Quirk, and Burch to perform the Bureau's annual financial audits for 2025.

Approved the Executive Committee Slate of Officers as presented for 2026.

Approved the 2026 VLC Board of Directors Meeting Dates as presented.

Approved the Tourism Marketing Grant Final Reports for the South Coast Book Festival, Rouge et Blanc, Lake Charles Light up the Lake, Chuck Fest, Smoke and Barrel and the ICM Historical Walking Tours. Nathaniel Allured abstained from the vote.

Approved Meeting Incentive Program applications.

Approved staff and CEO reports as presented.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned.



Nathaniel Allured, Chair



Kyle Edmiston, President/CEO