

**Lake County Convention and Visitors Bureau
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The Board of Directors of the Lake County Convention and Visitors Bureau
Met in a **REGULAR MEETING**

Up Your Alley

1048 Indianapolis Blvd, Schererville, IN 46375

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 12:00 PM (CST)

PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES

I. Roll Call

Chairman Andy Qunell called the November 18, 2020 meeting of the Lake County Convention and Visitors Bureau to order at 12:00 P.M. (C.S.T.). President/CEO Spero Batistatos called the roll.

The roll call was as follows:

Present: Christine Cash, Tom Dabertin (via phone), Sal Espino, Bernie Grisolia (via phone), Matt Maloney, Andy Qunell, Chris Rich, Bridget Streck, Larry Tucker, W. F. Wellman (via phone) and Chareice White.

Absent: Paul Anderson, Brent Brashier, Jahnae Erpenbach, Nikki Lopez, Darnail Lyles, Matthew Schuffert, Doug Spencer and Ed Welch.

Also present were President/CEO Speros A. Batistatos, Executive Vice President Katie Holderby, Chief Financial Officer Cathy Svetanoff, Chief Marketing Officer Heather Becerra, Chief Technology Officer Luke Weinman and Attorney James Magrames.

II. Pledge Of Allegiance

A. The pledge was recited.

III. Report of the Executive Committee

A. None to present.

IV. Report of Standing Committee

A. None to present.

V. Staff Report

A. Staff reports were emailed prior to the meeting and presentation was given by Vice President Holderby.

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VI. Old Business

- A. Updated Form: Board Member Code of Professional Conduct
1. Board members were asked to review and sign the updated form.

VII. New Business

- A. Addition of New Items to the Agenda - None
Chairman Qunell introduced and welcomed new board member, Salvador Espino, to the meeting.
- B. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings
1. Executive Meeting Minutes from September 17, 2020
a. Chairman Qunell sought approval of the Executive Meeting minutes from September 17, 2020.
b. Hearing no further questions, Member Matthew Maloney motioned and Member Bridget Streck seconded to approve the motion as submitted.
c. Motion carries: Yes 11 - No 0 - Abstain 0

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Paul Anderson	___	___	___	_x_
Brent Brashier	___	___	___	_x_
Christine Cash	_x_	___	___	___
Tom Dabertin	_x_	___	___	___
Jahnae Erpenbach	___	___	___	_x_
Sal Espino	_x_	___	___	___
Bernie Grisolia	_x_	___	___	___
Nikki Lopez	___	___	___	_x_
Darnail Lyles	___	___	___	_x_
Matthew Maloney	_x_	___	___	___
Chris Rich	_x_	___	___	___
Matthew Schuffert	___	___	___	_x_
Douglas Spencer	___	___	___	_x_
Bridget Streck	_x_	___	___	___
Larry Tucker	_x_	___	___	___
Ed Welch	___	___	___	_x_
Dr. W.F. "Bill" Wellman	_x_	___	___	___
Chareice White	_x_	___	___	___
Andy Qunell	_x_	___	___	___
Chairman				

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2. Executive Meeting Minutes from October 14, 2020
 - a. Chairman Qunell sought approval of the Executive Meeting minutes from October 14, 2020.
 - b. Hearing no further questions, Member W.F. "Bill" Wellman motioned and Member Matthew Maloney seconded to approve the motion as submitted.
 - c. Motion carries: Yes 11 - No 0 - Abstain 0

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Paul Anderson	___	___	___	_x_
Brent Brashier	___	___	___	_x_
Christine Cash	_x_	___	___	___
Tom Dabertin	_x_	___	___	___
Jahnae Erpenbach	___	___	___	_x_
Sal Espino	_x_	___	___	___
Bernie Grisolia	_x_	___	___	___
Nikki Lopez	___	___	___	_x_
Darnail Lyles	___	___	___	_x_
Matthew Maloney	_x_	___	___	___
Chris Rich	_x_	___	___	___
Matthew Schuffert	___	___	___	_x_
Douglas Spencer	___	___	___	_x_
Bridget Streck	_x_	___	___	___
Larry Tucker	_x_	___	___	___
Ed Welch	___	___	___	_x_
Dr. W.F. "Bill" Wellman	_x_	___	___	___
Chareice White	_x_	___	___	___
Andy Qunell	_x_	___	___	___
Chairman				

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3. Regular Meeting Minutes from October 14, 2020
 - a. Chairman Qunell sought approval of the Regular Meeting minutes from October 14, 2020.
 - b. Hearing no further questions, Member Tom Dabertin motioned and Member W.F. "Bill" Wellman seconded to approve the motion as submitted.
 - c. Motion carries: Yes 11 - No 0 - Abstain 0

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Paul Anderson	___	___	___	_x_
Brent Brashier	___	___	___	_x_
Christine Cash	_x_	___	___	___
Tom Dabertin	_x_	___	___	___
Jahnae Erpenbach	___	___	___	_x_
Sal Espino	_x_	___	___	___
Bernie Grisolia	_x_	___	___	___
Nikki Lopez	___	___	___	_x_
Darnail Lyles	___	___	___	_x_
Matthew Maloney	_x_	___	___	___
Chris Rich	_x_	___	___	___
Matthew Schuffert	___	___	___	_x_
Douglas Spencer	___	___	___	_x_
Bridget Streck	_x_	___	___	___
Larry Tucker	_x_	___	___	___
Ed Welch	___	___	___	_x_
Dr. W.F. "Bill" Wellman	_x_	___	___	___
Chareice White	_x_	___	___	___
Andy Qunell	_x_	___	___	___

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4. Special Meeting Minutes from October 28, 2020
 - a. Chairman Qunell sought approval of the Special Meeting minutes from October 28, 2020.
 - b. Hearing no further questions, Member Chris Rich motioned and Member Christine Cash seconded to approve the motion as submitted.
 - c. Motion carries: Yes 11 - No 0 - Abstain 0

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Paul Anderson	___	___	___	_x_
Brent Brashier	___	___	___	_x_
Christine Cash	_x_	___	___	___
Tom Dabertin	_x_	___	___	___
Jahnae Erpenbach	___	___	___	_x_
Sal Espino	_x_	___	___	___
Bernie Grisolia	_x_	___	___	___
Nikki Lopez	___	___	___	_x_
Darnail Lyles	___	___	___	_x_
Matthew Maloney	_x_	___	___	___
Chris Rich	_x_	___	___	___
Matthew Schuffert	___	___	___	_x_
Douglas Spencer	___	___	___	_x_
Bridget Streck	_x_	___	___	___
Larry Tucker	_x_	___	___	___
Ed Welch	___	___	___	_x_
Dr. W.F. "Bill" Wellman	_x_	___	___	___
Chareice White	_x_	___	___	___
Andy Qunell	_x_	___	___	___
Chairman				

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C. Finance Report

1. Chairman Qunell sought approval for vouchers #24608 through #24688 in the amount of \$625,472.36 for November 18, 2020.
 - a. Hearing no further questions, Member Larry Tucker motioned and Member Christine Cash seconded to approve the motion as submitted.
 - b. Motion carries: Yes 9 - No 0 - Abstain 2.

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Paul Anderson	___	___	___	_x_
Brent Brashier	___	___	___	_x_
Christine Cash	_x_	___	___	___
Tom Dabertin	___	___	_x_	___
Jahnae Erpenbach	___	___	___	_x_
Sal Espino	_x_	___	___	___
Bernie Grisolia	___	___	_x_	___
Nikki Lopez	___	___	___	_x_
Darnail Lyles	___	___	___	_x_
Matthew Maloney	_x_	___	___	___
Chris Rich	_x_	___	___	___
Matthew Schuffert	___	___	___	_x_
Douglas Spencer	___	___	___	_x_
Bridget Streck	_x_	___	___	___
Larry Tucker	_x_	___	___	___
Ed Welch	___	___	___	_x_
Dr. W.F. "Bill" Wellman	_x_	___	___	___
Chareice White	_x_	___	___	___
Andy Qunell	_x_	___	___	___
Chairman				

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D. Resolutions

1. None to present

E. Other New Business

1. Nominating Committee – President/CEO Spero A. Batistatos reported that Nominating Committee had not met. The Committee will meet and present slate of officers for consideration by the board in a first reading and in a second reading at the December 17, 2020 board meeting.
2. Employee Handbook – Vacation Policy
 - a. President/CEO Spero A. Batistatos provided an update on the vacation policy and how the COVID health pandemic has adversely affected employee usage. This topic will be revisited again when additional information can be presented.

VIII. Public Presentations

- A. None to present.

IX. Miscellaneous Matters

- A. Dates to Remember
 1. **Next Regular Meeting** – Thursday, January 21, 2021 at noon – Location TBD

X. Public Comment

- A. Two (2) minutes maximum per person or five (5) minutes for a group spokesperson. Please keep your comments civil and constructive to policy issues. The Chair, at his/her sole discretion, may recognize individuals wishing to speak on different topics at any time and may end the Public Comment Session. All speakers will be timed. This portion of the meeting shall not exceed then (10) minutes.

No public comment

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XI. Adjournment

Hearing of no other business to come before the board, Chairman Qunell adjourned the meeting. Motioned by Member Matthew Maloney, seconded by Member Christine Cash. The meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m. (CST).

Approved:

Andy Qunell, Chairman

Attest:

Chareice White, Secretary