

**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**
at The Community Center at Festival Lake
111 E. Old Ridge Road, Hobart, IN 46342
Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 12:00 P.M. (C. S. T.)
PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES

I. Roll Call

Chairman Robert Forster called the June 20, 2019 meeting of the Lake County Convention and Visitors Bureau to order at 12:07 P.M. (C.S.T.). Secretary Chareice White called the roll.

The roll call was as follows:

Present: Christine Cash, Raymundo Garcia, John Kiernan, Nikki Lopez, Darnail Lyles, Michelle Robinson, Douglas Spencer, Larry Tucker, Dr. W.F. "Bill" Wellman, Chareice White, Marty Wielgos, and Robert Forster

Absent: Paul Anderson, Brent Brashier, Matthew Maloney, Andy Qunell, Chris Rich, Matthew Schuffert, and Ed Welch

Also present were President/CEO Speros A. Batistatos, Vice President Katie Holderby, Chief Technology Officer Luke Weinman, Director of Communications Erika Dahl, Executive Assistant Peggy Parkinson and Attorney Charles Albrecht.

II. Pledge Of Allegiance

A. The pledge was recited.

III. Report Of The Executive Committees

1. None to present.

IV. Report Of The Standing Committees

1. None to present.

V. Staff Reports

- A. Vice President Katie Holderby stated the following:
1. The Dunes Exhibit was getting great reviews/visits to the Welcome Center.
 2. The Indiana Tourism Campaign partnership was underway and digital copies of the commercials had been emailed to all board members.

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VI. Old Business

1. HR Director Rik Brankle-Piszczek answered questions from the board about the Family Support Benefits that were passed at the board meeting in May 2019.

VII. New Business

A. Addition of New Items to the Agenda

1. None to present.

B. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

1. Chairman Robert Forster sought approval of the Executive Meeting minutes from May 15, 2019.
 - a. Hearing no further questions, Member Raymundo Garcia motioned and Member Darnail Lyles seconded to approve the motion as submitted.
 - b. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 12-0-0. Members Paul Anderson, Brent Brashier, Matthew Maloney, Andy Qunell, Chris Rich, Matthew Schuffert, and Ed Welch were absent.
2. Chairman Robert Forster sought approval of the Regular Meeting minutes from May 15, 2019.
 - a. Hearing no further questions, Member Marty Wielgos motioned and Member Garcia seconded to approve the motion as submitted.
 - b. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 12-0-0. Members Paul Anderson, Brent Brashier, Matthew Maloney, Andy Qunell, Chris Rich, Matthew Schuffert, and Ed Welch were absent.

C. Finance Report

1. Treasurer John Kiernan sought approval for vouchers #22953 through #23116 in the amount of \$1,102,158.48 for June 20, 2019.
 - a. Hearing no further questions, Member W.F. "Bill" Wellman motioned and Member Nikki Lopez seconded to approve the motion as submitted.
 - b. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 12-0-0. Members Paul Anderson, Brent Brashier, Matthew Maloney, Andy Qunell, Chris Rich, Matthew Schuffert, and Ed Welch were absent.

D. Resolutions

1. President/CEO Spero Batistatos sought a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2019-06-08: An Update To Resolution No. 2007-07-24: A Resolution Establishing A Temporary Cash Change Fund For Special Events And Exhibits Of The Lake County Convention And Visitors Bureau**
 - a. Hearing no further questions, Member Lopez motioned and Member Wielgos seconded to approve the motion as submitted.

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Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 12-0-0. Members Paul Anderson, Brent Brashier, Matthew Maloney, Andy Qunell, Chris Rich, Matthew Schuffert, and Ed Welch were absent.

2. President/CEO Batistatos sought a motion to approve **Resolution No. 2019-06-09: An Update To Resolution No. 2005-10-04: A Resolution Establishing Various Change And Petty Cash Funds**
 - a. Hearing no further questions, Member Weilgos motioned and Member Larry Tucker seconded to approve the motion as submitted.
Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 12-0-0. Members Paul Anderson, Brent Brashier, Matthew Maloney, Andy Qunell, Chris Rich, Matthew Schuffert, and Ed Welch were absent.

E. Other New Business

1. President/CEO Spero Batistatos sought a motion to approve the contract for the Division II College Football "America's Crossroads Bowl" Game Host Agreement - \$65,000
 - \$5,000 LCCVB contribution (Sports Indiana Grant)
 - Remainder to be obtained via sponsorshipsThis item was tabled until the July meeting due to the contract not being ready for presentation.
2. President/CEO Batistatos informed the board the IWC roof needed repairs and would begin the process of obtaining three bids.
3. President/CEO Batistatos sought a motion to approve the appointment renewals for those South Shore Promotions board members whose terms require renewal on July 1, 2019. Those members were Speros Batistatos, Dewey Pearman, Tom Keon, and Chuck Williams.
 - a. Hearing no further questions, Member Wielgos motioned and Member Garcia seconded to approve the motion as submitted.
 - b. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote 12-0-0. Members Paul Anderson, Brent Brashier, Matthew Maloney, Andy Qunell, Chris Rich, Matthew Schuffert, and Ed Welch were absent.

VIII. Public Presentations

1. Leah Konrady, President/CEO, One Region, Gary Mayor Elect Jerome Prince, Events Coordinator Nikki Lopez, and Hobart Mayor Brian Snedecor briefly spoke to the board on current happenings in their respective areas.

IX. Miscellaneous Matters

A. Dates to Remember

1. Meetings
 1. **Next Regular Meeting** - Thursday, July 18, 2019 - Noon (C.S.T.) - Cedar Lake Historical Museum, 7408 Constitution Ave, Cedar Lake, IN 46307

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B. Adjournment

Hearing of no other business to come before the board, Chairman Forster adjourned the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m. (C.S.T.).

Approved:

Robert Forster, Chairman

Attest:

Chareice White, Secretary