St. Bernard Tourist Commission Meeting Thursday March 16, 2023

Call to order at 4:31 pm

Present from the Tourist Commission: Phyllis Diecidue, Lena Nunez, Claire Henderson, Gary Huettmann, Dorothy Hills, Jenifer Heintz, and Jessica Reab.

Present from the Office of Tourism: Katie Tommaseo and Samantha Meyer.

No Guests, No public comments.

- 6. A motion was made by Phyllis Diecidue, seconded by Lena Nunez to accept the last month's minutes. Jessica Reab, Dorothy Hills, Gary HUettmann, Claire Henderson and Jenifer Heintz voted yea, no nays. Motion passed.
- 7. A motion was made by Jenifer Heintz, seconded by Dorothy Hills to accept the Financial Report. Lena Nunez, Phyllis Diecidue, Gary Huettmann, Claire Henderson and Jessica Reab voted yea; no nays. Motion passed.
- 8. Katie Tommaseo presented the Director's Report regarding the update of the Is lenos Fiesta. There was also mention about the Attractions Grant for a Bilingual Sign and also grants for job fairs in the area. We were also made aware of the Ethics test that needs to be done by the end of the month by all Tourist Commission members.
- 9. The motion to sponsor Chalmette High Cultural Arts Program was tabled.
- 10. The motion to sponsor LHSAA/LHSCA event was tabled.
- 11. A motion was made by Phyllis Diecidue, seconded by Jenifer Heintz to approve up to \$5,000.00 for the setup and supplies needed for the postage meter for the Tourism office. We agreed upon a 39 month contract to be viewed before being signed by the Board members. Gary Huettmann, Dorothy Hills, Lena Nunez, Claire Henderson and Jessica Reab voted yea; no nays. Motion passed.
- 12. A motion was made by Gary Huettmann, seconded by Phyllis Diecidue to promote Spotlight St. Bernard with \$2500.00 sponsorship. Dorothy Hills, Claire Henderson, Jessica Reab, Jenifer Heintz and Lena Nunez voted yea, no nays. Motion passed.
- 13. A motion to deny was made by Gary Huettmann, seconded by Claire Henderson regarding Regional/Naitonal Satelite Media Tours. Jessica Reab, Jenifer Heintz, Dorothy Hills, Phyllis Diecidue and Lena Nunez voted yea, no nays. Motion passed.

- 14. The motion to pay writer Ken Perrotte for the Crawfish Festival died.
- 15. A motion was made by Gary Huettmann, second by Phyllis Diecidue to adopt the Amended Marketing Plan for 2023. Dorothy Hills, Claire Henderson, Jenifer Heintz and Jessica Reab voted yea, no nays. Lena Nunez left at 4:45 pm so was not able to vote for this matter. Motion passed.
- 16. Next Meeting: Tuesday April 18, 2023 @ 4:30pm
- 17. A motion was made by Phyllis Diecidue, seconded by Gary Huettmann to adjourn the meeting at 5:08 p.m. . All voted. Motion passed.

Tourist Commission Chair

Secretary

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