

MINUTES – BOARD MEETING DESOTO PARISH TOURISM COMMISSION

115 N. Washington Ave. Mansfield, LA January 23, 2024 2:00

- I. Call to Order: Meeting called to order by President, Margaret Dickerson.
- II. **Roll Call:** Present were: Margaret Dickerson, Donna Cagle, Pam Rodgers, John Russell, Mary Mac Thompson, Ron Jackson. Not present: Shirley Payne.
- III. **Prayer & Pledge:** Margaret Dickerson led the prayer and Donna Cagle led the pledge.
- IV. **Approval of January 2024 Agenda:** Motion by Pam Rodgers to approve January 2024 Agenda. 2nd Mary Mac Thompson. Motion Passed.
- V. **Public Comment Period:** Guests attending, Katelyn Calhoun with Battle of Pleasant Hill, Bobby White & JC Hannah with Sons of the Confederacy. Katelyn presented the board with a proposed bid for the Smart Bug earplugs to be used during the reenactment. JC also spoke to the board along with Katelyn to help the Sons of Confederacy 160th Battle of Mansfield event.
- VI. **Approval of November 2023 & December 2023 Minutes:** Motion by John Russell to approve November 2023 & December 2023 Minutes. 2nd by Ron Jackson. Motion Passed.
- VII. **Approval of November 2023 & December 2023 Financials:** Cited budget-to-actual comparisons. Motion by Donna Cagle to approve November 2023 & December 2023 Financial Report. 2nd by Mary Mac Thompson. Motion Passed.

VIII. Old Business:

- a. CD Purchases/Remind signers to complete paperwork. John Rusell updated the board on the purchasing of the CDs at Community Bank & Progressive National Bank. Charlotte reminded check signers to please go and fill out paperwork needed at both banks.
- b. Progressive Checking-update authorized signer's information. Charlotte presented the new check signers with paperwork needed for Progressive.

IX. New Business:

- a. Increase DPTC credit card limit from \$6,000 to \$10,000. Motion by Pam Rodgers to approve increasing the credit card amount from \$6,000 to \$10,000. 2nd by Mary Mac Thompson. Motion Passed.
- b. Battle of Pleasant Hill-Katelyn Calhoun request for funding. Motion by Ron Jackson to approve Katelyn's funding request for Battle of Pleasant Hill.
- c. Sons of Confederacy Event-Katelyn Calhoun request for funding. Motion by Pam Rodgers to approve Katelyn's funding request for Sons of Confederacy. 2nd by John Russell. Motion Passed.

- X. Director's Report
 - a. Occupancy Report for November 2023
 - b. Upcoming events and meetings.

Motion by Pam Rodgers to approve Director's Report. 2nd by Donna Cagle. Motion Passed.

- XI. Next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 2:00pm (Changed from normal date due to LTLA Academy)
- XII. Motion by John Russell to adjourn. 2nd by Pam Rodgers. Motion Passed. Meeting adjourned.