

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
TERREBONNE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024

President James Buquet, III called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. The prayer and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Ms. Tammy Haydel. The meeting was held at the Whitney Bank Building, 7910 Main Street, 3rd Floor Conference Room, in Houma.

Members recorded as present were: Mr. James Buquet, III, Mr. Jason Underwood, Mr. Michael Lewis, Mr. Gary Williams (via telephone conference) and Mr. Robbie Naquin. Recorded as absent were: Mr. Joshua Alford, Ms. Melissa Adams, Mr. Shane Thibodeaux and Mr. Joe Boudreaux, II. Also present were: Mr. Cohen Guidry, TEDA's CEO, Ms. Katherine Gilbert-Theriot, TEDA's Director of Business Retention and Expansion, Ms. Tammy Haydel, TEDA's Executive Group Assistant, Mr. Pat Gordon of South Central Planning & Development Commission and Mr. Charles "Kevin" Champagne, Terrebonne Parish Councilman, District 5.

Mr. Lewis motioned to approve the March 12, 2024 TEDA Regular Board Meeting Minutes as submitted, seconded by Mr. Underwood. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Guidry presented the March financial reports. The Balance Sheet reflects a total liabilities and equity position of \$415,462K. The audit has been completed and will be presented at the next meeting. Reconciliations are balanced and in order. Mr. Naquin motioned to approve the March financial reports as submitted, seconded by Mr. Underwood. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board Retreat is scheduled for April 12, 2024 at Fletcher Technical College in Schriever. Dr. Kristine Strickland will be the facilitator. The agenda includes several presentations, goals and objectives, as well as a strategic plan review.

Ms. Theriot presented the BRE report. Goals are being met. She has been working on referrals and business start-ups. She is assisting a local business with a grant application. She advised the Board on the LED Ready Community Grant and WBA Athena Scholarship Award.

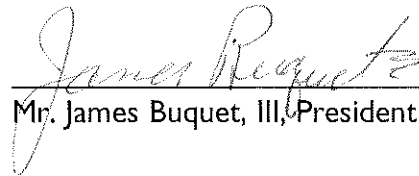
Mr. Guidry presented his CEO report. He updated the Board on various projects:

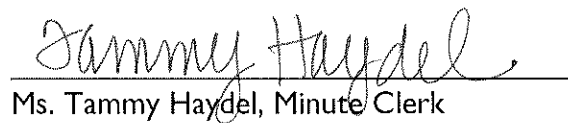
- Houma Downtown Development Commission;
- SLEC BRE Seminar;
- Critical Infrastructure Projects;
- TEDA office move and records retention updates;
- Chamber Roundtable;
- Leadership Terrebonne Economic Development Day; and,
- TEDA Time – Explore Houma.

Mr. Guidry presented and thanked Mr. Robert Barthel with an award for his service to TEDA. He appreciates his dedication and participation in this organization. Mr. Barthel appreciated the opportunity to work with TEDA and left with these words of wisdom: "Moderation is key; keep your customers happy and get to know your customers."

Public wishing was addressed by Mr. Pat Gordon of SCPDC, who updated the Board on the \$1M EDA grant project.

At 1:15 p.m., Mr. Underwood moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Naquin. The motion passed unanimously.


Mr. James Buquet, III, President


Ms. Tammy Haydel, Minute Clerk