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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
TERREBONNE ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2017

Vice-President Chris Lapeyre called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. The prayer and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Mrs. Dawn Henry.

Members recorded as present were: Mr. Robert Barthel, Dr. Michael Garcia, Mr. Tommy Guarisco, Mr. Nicholas Hebert, and Mr. Chris Lapeyre. Those recorded as absent were Mr. Chad Hebert, Mr. Ronald LaBauve, Mr. Ivan Williams and Mr. Clarence Williams. Also present were Mr. Matt Rookard, TEDA's CEO; Mrs. Dawn Henry, TEDA's executive secretary and Mr. Jacob Dagate, TEDA's attorney.

Vice-President Lapeyre called for public wishing to address the board with no response.

Mr. Barthel moved, seconded by Mr. N. Hebert, to approve the December 13, 2016, minutes as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. N. Hebert stated the payroll which was slightly higher in November financials has been corrected, everything else is in order. Mr. Rookard stated TEDA is on a calendar year. Motion by Mr. Barthel, seconded by Mr. T. Guarisco to accept the financial report as presented; the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Rookard gave a Board Retreat recap. Mr. Lapeyre stated he would like to see three to five achievable goals set for the coming year. Mr. Rookard reported the mission statement decided on is "To help grow the regional economy and serve as the economic catalyst for Terrebonne Parish to secure, develop and enhance the quality of life for its citizens. The vision statement that was decided on is the same thing that is in the statute, which is "This organization is designed for the primary object and purpose of promoting, encouraging, and participating in business development to stimulate the economy through commerce, industry and research and for the utilization and development of natural, physical and human resources of the area by providing job opportunities. Mr. Rookard gave a quick recap of the established objectives and stated he thought the retreat went well, with lots of good information obtained.

Mr. Rookard went over the business plan for 2017 (see summary of the business plan in the board meeting package). Mr. Barthel would like to see a business retention report given at the board meetings with a list of companies visited

and the companies needs or concerns. This can be done, but with the company's privacy respected.

Mr. Rookard gave a summary of the quotes received for the 2015 annual audit. Preference of the board would be to stay local and stay within the budgeted amount of \$3,000.00. Motion by Mr. Barthel to check with the local providers to see if they can perform the audit for the budgeted amount, seconded by Mr. N. Hebert; the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Barthel questioned if TEDA participates in the local boat show as a marketing tool. Mr. Rookard stated we had not in recent past, but intends to have some participation in the future. Mr. Rookard also thought co-sponsoring billboards with local companies to get the word out would be a great marketing idea at a lower cost.

Mr. Barthel moved at 1:02 p.m., seconded by Mr. N. Hebert, to adjourn the meeting; the motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Chris Lapeyre, Vice-President

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Dawn Henry, Minute Clerk