

Minutes of the
Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission Advisory Board
March 24, 2021

Members Present:

Billy Montgomery, Chairman
Stacy Brown, Shreveport-Bossier Convention & Tourist Bureau
Bob Brotherton, Bossier Parish Police Jury
Jeff Free, City of Bossier
Larry Anderson, City of Shreveport
Doyle Adams, Bossier Parish Police Jury
Clay Bohanan, City of Bossier

Members on Zoom:

Joe Mero, City of Shreveport

Not Present:

Shantel Hardison, Caddo Parish Commission
Lyndon Johnson, Caddo Parish Commission

Staff Present:

Kelly Wells
Taylor Gullatt
Charlie Rice

Guest:

Shelly Ragle – Shreveport Public Assembly & Recreation (SPAR)

Ms. Ragle gave the Advisory Board an update on Stageworks and what needs to be done to bring the building up to code for a multi-purpose facility.

Call to Order

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission (SBSC) Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 in the office. Board members and public had the opportunity to participate via Zoom; however, due to Proclamation 102 from the Governor dated August 6, 2020, members can participate, but will not be counted towards the quorum or have the ability to vote. Billy Montgomery, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Montgomery called for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Brotherton made a motion to approve the agenda and seconded by Mr. Bohanan. All in favor none opposed with no public comment.

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the February 24, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Following review, Mr. Bohanan moved to accept the minutes as distributed, seconded by Mr. Anderson. All in favor none opposed with no public comment.

Financial Report

Mr. Gullatt reviewed the financial reports for February.

Personal Financial Disclosure

Ms. Brown reviewed with the board that the Personal Financial Disclosures are due by May 15, 2021.

Sports Update:

Funding Application – There were two funding applications presented. The 2021 4th Annual George Dement Classic and the 2021 SHARKS Warbird Event.

Ms. Brown made a motion to hold off on the funding application for the Dement Brothers Boxing until next month when more information has been provided on the out-of-town visitors for Memorial Day weekend event. Mr. Bohanan seconded. All in favor none opposed with no public comment.

Mr. Bohanan made a motion to provide \$1,000 in funding for the 2021 SHARKS Warbird Event. Mr. Adams seconded. All in favor none opposed with no public comment.

Mr. Wells reviewed the BMX request for help to improve the tracks for the Nationals. A funding application will be submitted for the April board meeting for \$2,500.

USA Boxing National Championships new conference will be held on Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the Shreveport Convention Center.

Summit Volleyball went very well, 1,500 participates. The portion scheduled for Stageworks had to be moved to local gyms due to the water damage from the winter storm.

A motion was made by Mr. Bohanan to provide \$22,625 half of \$45,250 to go toward the engineer's plans needed for Stageworks. Mr. Brotherton seconded. All in favor none opposed with no public comment.

Ms. Aymond gave the board an update on the USA Boxing and Texas Cornhole League Super Series. LSU Oschner has partnered with USA Boxing to provide COVID-19 testing for participants at the tournament. A news conference was held on Tuesday, March 23 for the Texas Cornhole League. 450 people have already registered for the cornhole tournament, they are expecting up to 600 registrations.

Mr. Wells gave the board an update on the TBF National Championships was held last weekend on the Red River March 11-13, 2021. Ms. Aymond updated the board on the first annual United Kennel Club (UKC) Invitational will take place on October 21-23, 2021 at the Shreveport Convention Center, with 1,000 room nights. The Super Retriever Series will be held in the field next to Margaritaville.

The next board meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 28, 2021.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Adams made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Bohanan seconded which was voted on and passed with no public comment, so the meeting adjourned at 9:01 AM.

Billy Montgomery, Chairman