

**Minutes of the  
Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission Advisory Board  
May 24, 2023**

**Members Present:**

Doyle Adams, Chairman  
Clay Bohanan, City of Bossier  
Stacy Brown, Shreveport-Bossier Convention & Tourist Bureau  
Jeff Free, City of Bossier  
Shantel Hardison, Caddo Parish Commission  
Patrick Wesley, City of Shreveport

**Not Present:**

Lyndon Johnson, Caddo Parish Commission  
Bob Brotherton, Bossier Parish Police Jury

**Staff Present:**

Cicely Parson  
Arron Bronson  
Sara Aymond-Nelms

**Call to Order**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission (SBSC) Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, May 24, 2023, at 629 Spring Street, Shreveport, LA. Doyle Adams, the Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. A quorum was present.

**Agenda**

The agenda of the May 24, 2023, meeting was reviewed. A quorum was present. Mr. Bohanan made a motion to approve; seconded by Mr. Free. All in favor none opposed with no public comment.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the May 2, 2023, meeting were reviewed. Mr. Bohanan made a motion to accept; seconded by Mr. Free. All in favor none opposed with no public comment.

**Financial Report**

Mr. Bronson reviewed the financials for April. Mr. Wesley made a motion to accept; seconded by Mr. Bohanan. All in favor none opposed with no public comment.

**Grant Applications**

- a) Open Range Rodeo requested \$4,000, staff recommended staying at \$3,000 budgeted, board approved budgeted \$3,000.
- b) River Cities Triathlon requested 10K, budgeted \$10K will stay at the budgeted amount.

- c) 318 Takeover Youth Football Camp; requested \$10,000 recommended to reject as it does not meet application requirements, the board agreed.

### **Events Update/Discussion**

- a) GCAC Volleyball Championships – submitted bid, will have a call to discuss.
- b) World Axe & Knife Throwing USA Pro/AM – pulled bid due to promoter constraints.
- c) Red River Balloon Rally – six weeks away, press conference on July 11 @2; LA Downs is working on different events to expand the attendee base.
- d) USA Boxing – visited sports ETA in Kansas City.
- e) National Collegiate Wrestling Association – Site visit in June with 90 colleges, with 5 qualifying wrestlers in March 2024 & 2025.
- f) Stephens Youth Activity Zone – Last meeting approved \$2500, had a discussion to help with expenses to help with two events this year, and breakdown payments into two payments of \$3750, trying to get cost down. Can do new CEA to do half payments. Mr. Bohanan made a motion to split payment amounts into two of \$3,750 each; seconded by Mr. Wesley. All in favor none opposed with no public comment.
- g) A new SPAR representative will be joining their staff on June 16, 2023.
- h) Stageworks – maple flooring being installed by June 2023. The building will be used for sports, but it could also be used as a film studio.

### **Upcoming Events**

- A. Damon McCoy Invitational – June 2-4, 2023
- B. Texas Cornhole League Championships – June 8-10, 2023
- C. USA Judo – June 16-18, 2023

### **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, the meeting adjourned at 9:16 AM.

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Doyle Adams, Chairman