MINUTES OF THE

SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER SPORTS COMMISSION ADVISORY BOARD

March 28, 2018

**Members Present:**

Billy Montgomery, Chairman

Clay Bohanan, City of Bossier

Doyle Adams, Bossier Parish Police Jury

Stacy Brown, Shreveport-Bossier Convention & Tourist Bureau

Patrick Wesley, City of Shreveport

Bob Brotherton, Bossier Parish Police Jury

Zazell Dudley, City of Shreveport

Lyndon Johnson, Caddo Parish Commission

**Members Not Present:**

Ken Antee, Caddo Parish Commission

Don Williams, City of Bossier City

**Staff Present:**

Sheila Norman, Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission

Kelly Wells, Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission

**Call to Order**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission Advisory Board was held on March 28, 2018 in the Board Room of the Shreveport-Bossier Convention & Tourist Bureau.

Billy Montgomery, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:13 a.m.  A quorum was present.

**Minutes**

The Minutes of the February 28, 2018 meeting were reviewed.   Following review, Mr. Bohanan moved to accept the Minutes as distributed.  Ms. Dudley seconded the Motion which was voted and passed with no public comment.

**Financial Report**

Mrs. Brown presented and reviewed the financials for February.

**Funding Applications**

The members reviewed the submitted funding applications and considered recommendations from the Event Funding Committee. Following review and discussion the following motions were made:

* Mudbug Madness Strongman Competition – Mr. Johnson moved to fund this event in the amount of $1,000.00. Mr. Brotherton seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.
* 2D Sports high school baseball tournament – Mr. Bohanan moved to fund this event in the amount of $2,000.00. Mr. Adams seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.
* LA Dual Wrestling – Mr. Brotherton moved to fund this event in the amount of $1,500.00. Mrs. Brown seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.
* Open Range Fellowship Pro Rodeo – Mr. Johnson moved to fund this event in the amount of $2,000. Mr. Bohanan seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.

**Sports Update:**

Mr. Wells reviewed the following events with the Board members:

* Battle on the Hardwood – reviewed 2017 and what we would do for 2018 to cut expenses.
* SWAC Basketball – Mr. Wells and Mr. Johnson attended the 2017 SWAC Basketball Championship in Houston in support of the Sports Commission’s bid for 2019 – 2021. Mr. Johnson gave an overview of the trip to the members. Ms. Norman discussed the members’ request to remove the ice entirely from the Hirsch for the event. Following discussion, Mr. Adams moved that the Sports Commission increase its budgeted amount in support of its bid to host the 2019-2021 SWAC Basketball Championship an additional $10,000 to cover the additional cost of removing the ice from the Hirsch Coliseum floor entirely. Ms. Dudley seconded the motion which was voted on and approved with no public comment.
* RRBR – Mr. Wells reviewed the latest 2018 budget with the members.

Mr. Wesley departed the meeting at 8:50 am. A quorum remained in effect.

**Additional items:**

* Mr. Wells is working on additional potential events but checking on venue availability first.
* Will hold Holiday Classic again at Centenary’s Gold Dome on December 15th.
* Horseshoe pitching bid – opportunity to bid on for 2020-2021.
* LHSCA Coaches Annual Meeting – we are hosting for 2018 and there is an opportunity to host it again for 2019.
* Sports Biz Connect – will be held April 5th at the Hilton Garden Inn Bossier and launching a new sponsor opportunity called “Sports Connector.”

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

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Billy Montgomery, Chairman