

MINUTES OF THE  
SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER SPORTS COMMISSION ADVISORY BOARD  
February 27, 2019

**Members Present:**

Billy Montgomery, Chairman  
Doyle Adams, Bossier Parish Police Jury  
Stacy Brown, Shreveport-Bossier Convention & Tourist Bureau  
Don Williams, City of Bossier City  
Clay Bohanan, City of Bossier  
Ken Antee, Caddo Parish Commission  
Zazell Dudley, City of Shreveport  
Lyndon Johnson, Caddo Parish Commission  
Patrick Wesley, City of Shreveport

**Members Not Present:**

Bob Brotherton, Bossier Parish Police Jury

**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 February 27, 2019 in the Board Room of the Shreveport-Bossier Convention & Tourist Bureau. Billy Montgomery, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m. A quorum was present.

**Minutes**

The Minutes of the January 23, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Following review, Mr. Johnson moved to accept the Minutes as distributed. Mr. Bohanan seconded the Motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.

**Amend Agenda**

Mr. Williams moved to amend the Agenda by adding discussion of funding applications for the Red River Volleyball tournament, Collegiate Gymnastics Midwest Independent Conference Championship, SCAC Softball Conference Championship and the Team USA Women's Volleyball Olympic Qualifier. Mr. Bohanan seconded the motion which was voted on and passed unanimously with no public comment.

### **Financial Report**

Mrs. Brown advised the members that end of 2018 and January 2019 financials are not available yet as we are still closing out 2018. Mrs. Brown discussed proposed legislation that would update the definition of a hotel. The change in the definition of a hotel will bring us in line with the state's definition for sales and occupancy tax collections. Mrs. Brown noted that the Wyndham Garden is paying their current occupancy taxes, but we do not know yet about their overdue taxes, and the Clarion West Shreveport is behind on their occupancy taxes.

### **Funding Applications:**

The members reviewed and discussed the following submitted funding applications included in the board packet:

- Shreveport Area Remote Kontrol Society for three events: Warbirds, Jet Rally and International Miniature Aerobatic Club – Mr. Antee moved to fund the three events in the total amount of \$3,000. Mr. Bohanan seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.
- Shreveport Showdown – Global Mixed Gender Basketball – Mr. Wells noted that \$5,000 had previously been approved for this event but the rightsholder was adding more to the event and is requesting additional funding. Following discussion, Mr. Antee moved to fund the Shreveport Showdown an additional \$10,000 for a total of \$15,000. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.
- 2019 George Dement Boxing Classic – Mr. Antee moved to provide \$700 in funding from the \$5,500 previously approved for boxing events. Mr. Wesley seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.
- Red River Volleyball Tournament- This event will be held in the Shreveport Convention Center and Stageworks. Mr. Antee moved to provide \$6,500 in funding. Mr. Bohanan seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.
- Collegiate Gymnastics Midwest Independent Conference Championship and SCAC Softball Conference Championship submitted by Centenary College – Mr. Antee moved to provide up to \$2,000 per event (total of \$4,000) subject to the Sports Commission staff's review and criteria determination. Mr. Bohanan seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.

**Sports Update:**

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

- Team USA Olympic Volleyball Qualifier – This event would be held August 2-4, 2019 in the CenturyLink Center. The bid is between us and two other cities. Mr. Wells presented a proposed budget. Following discussion, Mr. Antee moved to submit a bid based on the budget Mr. Wells presented and if we win the bid, then Mr. Wells is to bring expected expenditures before the board for approval. Mr. Williams seconded the motion which was voted on and passed unanimously with no public comment.
- NJCAA Tournament – we expect to be above our original estimated investment.
- LHSAA Wrestling – we broke the attendance record again in 2019. Mr. Wells will be heading to Baton Rouge on April 18 to bid on the event for 2020 and 2021. The board is in agreement with this action.
- Mrs. Norman reviewed the event report on the LSUS Baseball Invitational and Volunteer Matrix Conference with the members.

**Upcoming Events List:**

Mr. Wells reviewed the list of events in March with the members.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:06 am.

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Billy Montgomery, Chairman