

MINUTES OF THE
SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER SPORTS COMMISSION ADVISORY BOARD
March 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

Bob Brotherton, Bossier Parish Police Jury

Patrick Wesley, City of Shreveport

Members Not Present:

Zazell Dudley, City of Shreveport

Lyndon Johnson, Caddo Parish Commission

Ken Antee, Caddo Parish Commission

Staff Present:

Sheila Norman, Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission

Kelly Wells, Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission

Nick Kopka, Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission

Call to Order

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission Advisory Board was held on March 27, 2019 in the Board Room of the Shreveport-Bossier Convention & Tourist Bureau. Billy Montgomery, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m. A quorum was present.

Minutes

The Minutes of the February 27, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Following review, Mr. Bohanan moved to accept the Minutes as distributed. Mr. Williams seconded the Motion which was voted on and passed with no public comment.

Financial Report

Mrs. Brown reviewed the December and January financials. February was not available and will be presented at the April meeting.

Funding Applications:

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

- Katy Build Tennis Tournament – Board asked that this event track its overnight hotel stays and possibly reapply for 2020.

- Collegiate soccer event at Freedom Fields – more information is requested before consideration.

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Sports Update:

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

- LHSAA Wrestling – Bid went out for only one year this time. It is due in June. Mr. Wells plans to go to LHSAA in Baton Rouge on April 18 to discuss.
- NJCAA Region 14 Basketball will return in 2020. Mr. Wells reviewed the financial summary for the event with the members.
- USAV bid – Mrs. Brown reviewed the proposed budget and Mr. Wells presented additional information. Following discussion, Mr. Wesley moved to approve the USAV bid as submitted. Mr. Adams seconded the motion which was voted on and passed unanimously with no public comment.
- E-sports – Nick Kopka with the Sports Commission presented information regarding the E-sports event to be held during the Barksdale Air Show in May. We are working with Marcus Manning (Centenary's Athletic Director) on the event. Several colleges will be participating, including LA Tech, LSU and LA Lafayette. A video wall will be set up inside the tent.
- NJCAA Football – would be for November 2020 and would feature Texas and Mississippi programs against each other at Lee Hedges Stadium. A potential sponsor has indicated they would host it.
- Sports Biz Connect – Mr. Wells reviewed the plan for this event which includes working with the local chambers of commerce.
- Red River Volleyball tournament had 198 teams participate (10 players to a team). Mr. Wells thanked everyone that had any part in the making the tournament a success!

Upcoming Events List:

Mrs. Norman reviewed the upcoming list of events with the members.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:31 am.

Billy Montgomery, Chairman