

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE**  
**Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Louisiana State Museum**  
**Tuesday, April 12, 2022**  
**2:00 pm**

**Members Present:** Suzie Terrell, Wendy Lodrig, Jay Batt, Madlyn Bagneris,  
Melissa Steiner

**Members Absent:**

**LSM Staff Present:** Anna Cahill, Michael McKnight, Yvonne Mack

A quorum was present.

- I. Call to order**  
Suzie Terrell called the meeting to order at 2:06 pm.
- II. Adoption of the Agenda**  
Wendy Lodrig made a motion to adopt the agenda. Melissa Steiner seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- III. Adoption of the Minutes**  
Suzie, Melissa amend to move Dr. McKnight to absent. Melissa, Madlyn made a motion to adopt the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting held on March 7, 2022. seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- IV. Committee Assignments**  
Suzie Terrell presented her proposed committee list and chairs. Wendy Lodrig made a motion to present the proposed list the Board. Madlyn Bagneris seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- V. Establishment of Ad Hoc Committee**  
Suzie Terrell proposed creating a Governance Committee to update LSM Board bylaws and make presentations regarding the Lord Study to the Board. Jay Batt made a motion to create the Governance Committee. Melissa Steiner seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- VI. Future Meeting Dates and Time Change**
  - A. LSM Board
    - I. Suzie Terrell presented the proposed upcoming dates for Full Board and Executive Committee dates.
  - B. Irby Committee

- I. Wendy Lodrig presented her proposed dates for the upcoming dates. She also suggested the time be at 10:00am two weeks before each full board meeting for all upcoming Irby committee meetings.

**VII. Search for Temporary and Permanent Director**

Melissa Steiner suggested that the Board take our time finding the right person for the job of permanent director. There was a brief discussion regarding ways to move forward with finding a director.

Suzie Terrell proposed that a Search Committee be created to present to the Board at the next meeting. Jay Batt was asked to Chair the committee. Melissa Steiner made a motion to accept the creation of the Search Committee. Wendy Lodrig seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**VIII. Legislation**

Michael McKnight explained how each of the following House Bills affect the Louisiana State Museum: HB 889, HB 1029, HB 876. There was a brief discussion regarding each of the bills.

**IX. Attorney Needs**

Suzie Terrell notified the Committee that the Board has had its own attorney in the past. There was a brief discussion regarding the process of finding a general attorney for the Board rather than using the assistance of the DCRT Attorney.

**X. Chairman's discussion re. Attorney General**

Suzie Terrell discussed the Attorney General's office opinion regarding the denial of rent abatements for commercial tenants. Suzie Terrell reminded the Board that the Attorney General's opinions are not law but are advisory.

**XI. Discussion of Items and Agenda Topics for Board**

Agenda items for upcoming committee meetings and the full board meeting taking place on May 2, 2022 were discussed.

**XII. Taping of Board Meetings**

Suzie Terrell asked how the Board should move forward with audio recording the Full Board meetings. Wendy Lodrig made a motion to obtain proper recording equipment (up to \$500) for the next meeting. Jay Batt seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**XIII. Dr. McKnight**

- A. Irby Manager Update – Michael McKnight notified the Committee that a person has been selected and they are currently working with Civil Service to finalize everything.
- B. Internal Audit Progress – Michael McKnight mentioned that the auditors are currently back at DCRT for their two-year review.

**XIV. Old Business** – There was no old business.

**XV. New Business** – There was no new business.

**XVI. Adjournment** – Jay Batt motioned to adjourn the meeting. Madlyn Bagneris seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 3:5 pm.