

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
Governance Committee of the Board of Directors of the Louisiana State Museum
Monday, August 14, 2023
10:30 am**

Members Present: Ruth Burke, Sandy Shilstone, Madlyn Bagneris, Mary Coulon, Suzie Terrell

Members Absent: Florence Jumonville, Christopher Tidmore

A quorum was present.

- I. Call to order**
Ruth Burke called the meeting to order at 10:30am.
- II. Adoption of Agenda**
Sandy Shilstone motioned to adopt the agenda. Mary Coulon seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- III. Adoption of Minutes**
Madlyn Bagneris made a motion to adopt the minutes from the July 24, 2023 meeting. Sandy Shilstone seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- IV. Answers to Questionnaire**
There was a brief discussion of the questionnaire sent by the Committee to the Lieutenant Governor on March 9 and the addition of one item concerning the role of a Council of Governance.
- V. Draft of 3 Region Governance Plan**
Ruth Burke asked the Committee to discuss what the 9-11 members of the Council of Governance should be responsible for if it exists. There was a brief discussion amongst the Committee regarding the three-region governance plan.
- VI. Open Discussion and Comments**
Ruth Burke led the discussion regarding where entities like Irby and Collections will be with the new system. The Committee agreed that both should stay in New Orleans. The consensus amongst the Committee was also that the hire and fire of each Director should go back to the Board but be unclassified Directors who are state employees.
- VII. Adjournment** – Sandy Shilstone made a motion to adjourn. Ruth Burke seconded the motion and the committee adjourned at 11:35am.