



# BATON ROUGE NORTH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Thursday, July 11, 2019

## ATTENDANCE:

### Present:

Stephanie Cargile  
Gary Chambers  
Dr. James Gilmore  
Ronald Smith  
Brian LaFleur  
Dr. Jacqueline Mims  
Andrea Cosey  
Jesse Glasper

### Absent:

Bill Pizzalota  
Dr. Davis Leroy  
Terra Williams  
Dezmion Barrow  
Anthony Pope

### Staff:

Jerry W. Jones Jr.  
Jasmine McClendon

## I. Call to Order

Brian LaFleur called meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

## II. Roll Call

Eight (8) Committee members were present. Five (5) Absent. Quorum was met.

## III. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer led by Gary Chambers and Pledge was led by Gary Chambers.

## IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Gilmore and Second by Mims. Approved unanimously.

## V. Public Comments (3) Minutes

Judith Ned, Donnie, Sarah

## VI. Committee Reports

### i. Healthy Food and Retail Taskforce Report

\*Discussion with Retail Strategies on the Grocery Store Initiative

Gilmore motioned to explore. Mims seconded. 5 yays 2 obtain; motion passed.

Chambers mentioned to have letter of position to see Hope ensure receiving a grocery store that will remain.

### ii. Mow to Own Program

### iii. Building Selection and Procurement (Trip to Propeller on 7/24)

## VII. Director's Report

### i. First 100 Days Report

### ii. Sponsorships

#### • Pete Richardson Classic

Transfer already allocated funds to sponsor DJ & entertainment.

Motioned by Chambers. Seconded by Cosey. 7 approved 1 opposed.



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- Black Out Loud Conference  
Loud level sponsorship. Motioned by Chambers. Seconded by Mims.  
Unanimously approved.

Make decision to form formal process for sponsorships. Motioned by LaFleur.  
Seconded by Mims.

## VIII. Partner(s) Report

## IX. Old Business

Rock the Block (Returned to Committee)  
Defining Southern University's Role in NBR (Returned to Committee)  
Exxon Mobil Site (will tour space)  
Develop NBR Foundation (Determine Executive Director's role & Bylaws need  
to be approved)

Committee Appointments (Email will be sent out for board of directors to decide  
on 2 committees; public announcement for community members)

## X. New Business

- Discussion Item** – Discussion on Dr. Gilmore meeting with Capital Area  
Finance Authority CEO Mark Drennan and Executive Director's introduction.
- Action Item** – Consideration and vote for RFP for BRNEDD attorney.  
*Dr. Gilmore suggested RFP be changed to RFQ*  
*Mims motioned to authorize Executive Committee to amend RFQ*  
*to reflect comments. Seconded by LaFleur, approved*  
*unanimously.*  
*Have comments in by July 19, 2019 on RFQ & legal review.*  
*Vote Deferred until next board meeting.*
- Action Item** – Consideration and vote to send the BRNEDD Facade and  
Signage Improvement Program (FSIP) to committee  
*Read and give feedback, Vote Deferred until next board meeting.*

## XI. Announcements

**XII. Adjournment** Motioned by LaFleur and seconded by Mims at 9:06 p.m.