

**Board Meeting
January 18, 2022**

**St. Landry Parish Economic Industrial Development District
Business Resource Center
5367 I-49 S. Service Road
Opelousas, LA 70570**

AGENDA

- I. WELCOME.....Chairman, Andy Dakin
- II. PLEDGE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. SWEAR IN OF NEW MEMBERS – SLP Clerk of Court
 - i. New Board Member Introductions
- V. ADOPTION OF THE DECEMBER 2021 BOARD MEETING MINUTES
- VI. FINANCIAL REPORT..... Treasurer, Hals Beard
- VII. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Walmart PILOT Agreement Presentation – Rodier/Lafleur
 - i. Consideration of CEA
 - b. I-49 Midway Corridor Project – Rodier/Goudeau
 - c. Organizational Staffing Update – Rodier/Lormand
 - i. Administrative Assistant/Project Coordinator
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Election of Officers
 - i. Chairman
 - ii. Vice Chairman
 - iii. Treasurer
 - iv. Secretary
 - b. Committee Appointments – Chairman
 - i. Executive Committee
 - ii. Real Estate Committee
- IX. PRESENTOR – Patrick Jenkins SLPSB Superintendent
- X. ADJOURN

Chairman, Andy Dakin opened the regular board meeting at 10:04 A.M.

Voting Members Present: Andy Dakin, Ericka Milton, Don Reber, Wil Fontenot, Christopher Clostio, Roma Stewart, Daniel Lyons, Lena Charles, Don Dejean, Sharon Ortego, Candance Papillion, Toni Effinger, Dr. John Hamlin, Seth Robin, Ken Simeral, and Hals Beard,

Voting Members Absent: Boisy Pitre

Non-Voting Members Present in Person: Bill Rodier, Taylor Lormand, and Janece Riser

Guest: Ginger Collier (One Acadiana), Jim Bourgeois (One Acadiana), Rachel Godeau (One Acadiana), Cade Jones (One Acadiana) Herman Fuselier (Tourism), Nick Gautreaux, Eric LaFleur, Frank Helton (CSLEDD),

It was determined a quorum was present.

A representative from the Clerk of Courts was not present to swear in the new board members so Chairman Dakin decided to continue with the agenda until a representative showed up.

Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Don Reber to accept the December 2021 board meeting minutes and seconded by Roma Stewart. Motion carried without objection.

Financial Report: Hals Beard provided an overview of the December 2021 financials. Bill Rodier clarified some key information regarding the revenue and expenses. A motion to adopt the December 2021 financials was made by Erika Milton and seconded by Don Dejean. Motion carried without objection.

Old Business:

Walmart PILOT Agreement: Bill Rodier gave an introduction on the Walmart Pilot agreement. Eric LaFleur gave an update on the status of the agreement. He explained the amount paid to SLED is going to be a percentage paid by each district totaling the current amount. There was an in-depth discussion where he answered several questions from the board of commissioners. The next step of this process is for SLED to have a CEAs with the parish signed. A motion by Seth Robin and seconded by Roma Stewart to approve the CEA. Motion carried without objection.

I-49 Midway Corridor Activity Update: Rachel Goudeau gave an update on the growth and development in preserving the exchanges and frontage roads in St. Landry Parish. She stated the project is still on track with the performance land implementation that is being modeled after the one Carencro has in place. Cade Jones gave an introduction of himself as the newest part of the One Acadiana team on this project. Bill Rodier stated that everyone will be invited to the meetings so that everyone will be well versed and know the main talking points.

Organizational Staffing Structure: Bill Rodier updated the board with the process of hiring for the Administrative Assistant position as well as the Project Coordinator position. The hiring committee has begun interviewing. The project coordinator interviews are complete and there's one more interview for the Admin Assistant position. After the committee concludes the interviews, Bill Rodier will interview each candidate.

New Business:

Election of Officers – A motion to allow the current officers to remain in their position was made by Lena Charles and seconded by Don Reber. Motion carried without objection. 2022 SLED Officers are as follows:

Chairman – Andy Dakin
Vice-Chairman – Donald Dejean
Treasurer – Hals Beard
Secretary – Roma Stewart

Committee Appointments – Chairman Dakin clarified the executive committee consists of the board officers along with additional 3 board members.

The following people were nominated for the executive committee:

Executive Committee Nominations –

Daniel Lyons nominated Donald Reber	7 votes
Seth Robin nominated Lena Charles	14 votes
Lena Charles nominated Erika Milton	9 votes
Erika Milton nominated Seth Robin	15 votes

Everyone nominated accepted their nomination. Andy Dakin explained the voting process. The outcome of the election reveals that Erika Milton, Seth Robin, and Lena Charles are the final members of the executive committee.

Real Estate Committee – Andy Dakin advised that the real estate committee consists of Don Dejean who is also the board’s vice chair as the Chair, Ken Simeral, Seth Robin, Wil Fontenot, and Don Reber. There is a 6th position available so if anyone wishes to sit on the board, he asks that they get with him after the meeting. All current members expressed wishes to remain on the board.

Presentation: Patrick Jenkins with the St. Landry Parish School Board - Bill Rodier introduced Dr. Patrick Jenkins. Dr. Jenkins gave a presentation of the upcoming Superintendent Patrick Jenkins gave a presentation on the 2022 St. Landry Parish School Board Bond Initiative that will be addressed in the March 26th election. He stressed the point that although both bonds are needed, the bonds are not tied together so they can be voted on individually. The board was given the opportunity to ask questions and get clarifications.

Chairman Dakin announced a photographer will be at the SLED building Friday 9:30-12:30 to take board member headshots. He also introduced and allowed new board members Dr. John Hamlin and Mrs. Toni Effingger an opportunity to introduce themselves.

Having no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn at 11:52 pm by Seth Robin and seconded by Don Reber. Motion carried without objection.

ATTEST:


Secretary

CHAIRMAN:


Andy Dakin