Monroe-West Monroe Convention and Visitors Bureau 601 Constitution Drive West Monroe, Louisiana 71292 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes July 21, 2025

Date and Place: The regular meeting of the Monroe-West Monroe Convention and Visitors Bureau was held at the Convention and Visitors Bureau, 601 Constitution Drive, West Monroe, Louisiana 71292 at 4:00 PM, July 21, 2025. Chair, Roderick Worthy presided.

Roll Call: Present

Kevin Crosby

Dr. Angela Crumpton-Lawrence Josh

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Dr. Valerie Fields Jordan Guillot Shelly Harrell Diane Mulhearn Ryan Roark Roderick Worthy

Absent

Don O'Toole, Jr. Nash Patel

Staff: Alana Cooper, President/CEO Elmer Noah, Board Attorney

Krystle Ivey, Director of Operations Stacy Gibson, Office Coordinator

Agenda: Ryan Roark moved, and Kevin Crosby seconded to accept the amended agenda replacing Tourism Development Grant Committee Minutes with Personnel Meeting Minutes for approval on VII.B. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.

Public Comments: Prior to the Board of Directors meeting, time was allotted for Public Comments. Chair Roderick Worthy advised there was no public participation or questions.

Minutes: Shelly Harrell moved, and Dr. Angela Crumpton-Lawrence seconded to approve the June 16, 2025, Board of Directors minutes. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.

Treasurer's Report: The board members reviewed the itemized deposits and disbursements showing a balance on hand as of June 30, 2025:

General Funds: \$8,952,878.77

Ryan Roark moved, and Dr. Valerie Fields seconded to approve the June 30, 2025, financial reports including the budget to actual comparison. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.

Staff Activities and Travel Plans: Shelly Harrell moved, and Diane Mulhearn seconded to approve travel plans for July 2025 - October 2025. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.

Committee Reports:

Tourism Development Committee:

Outstanding Grants

- 1. Kevin Crosby moved, and Ryan Roark seconded to approve final payment of \$3,500.00 for the Louisiana Quarter Horse Association. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.
- 2. Kevin Crosby moved, and Ryan Roark seconded to approve final payment of \$7,500.00 for the Red, White, and Blue Airshow. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.

Return Funds for Bids & Hosting Fees

- 1. Kevin Crosby moved, and Dr. Angela Crumpton-Lawrence seconded to return funds for American Youth Table Tennis of \$2,500.00 into Special Promotions. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.
- 2. Kevin Crosby moved, and Jordan Guillot seconded to return funds for Red River Athletic Conference of \$201.00 into Special Promotions. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.
- 3. Kevin Crosby moved, and Dr. Valerie Fields seconded to return funds for Beef Masters of \$5,000.00 into Special Promotions. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.
- 4. Kevin Crosby moved, and Dr. Angela Crumpton-Lawrence seconded to return funds for NCJAA Track & Field of \$50,000.00 into Special Promotions. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.
- 5. Kevin Crosby moved, and Dr. Angela Crumpton-Lawrence seconded to return funds for USSSA Future All-State Games of \$20,000.00 into Special Promotions. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.

Bids: Request for Bids

- 1. Kevin Crosby moved, and Dr. Valerie Fields seconded to dedicate up to \$50,000.00 to host the Eastern National Cutting Horse Association in March 2026. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.
- 2. Kevin Crosby moved, and Jordan Guillot seconded to dedicate up to \$5,000.00 for Santa Gertrudis Junior National Cattle Show in July 2026. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.

Personnel Committee:

Minutes: Shelly Harrell moved, and Diane Mulhearn seconded to approve the June 16, 2025, Personnel Committee minutes. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) affirmative votes to zero (0) negative votes.

Adjournment:

There being no further discussion, Jordan Guillot moved, and Kevin Crosby seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:44 PM on July 21, 2025. Motion carried by a vote of nine (9) to zero (0) negative votes.

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