

FSJNA GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES – March 2017

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

I. The meeting was held at the Fairgrounds.

II. The attendees are noted on the sign-in sheets. A quorum was present.

III. The Meeting Rules included in the Agenda were noted.

IV. Guests/Topics

Dwight Norton – Dwight Norton, a city employee, spoke about the Bike Share program, which would allow people to rent bikes for one-way trips around the city. Key points: other cities have similar programs; it's run by a private company, with the city getting a small cut; it's for both tourists and residents; and there are hourly, monthly, and yearly options. Key issue is where bike racks will be sited in the neighborhood. Some attendees raised concerns, saying the racks will be unsightly, take away parking spots, and increase traffic through the neighborhood. There will be an upcoming meeting where residents can provide input. Ultimately the city will decide where to put the racks.

Sidney Doyle – Sidney Doyle of the Lafitte Greenway spoke about the upcoming annual event.

Robert Thompson – Robert Thompson gave an update on beautification plans at Capdeville Park. The city's Parks & Parkways Dept. recently did some major work on the park with very positive results.

Jim Danner – VP Jim Danner said he is now on the board of Deutches Haus. The organization may be interested in holding the next Oktoberfest along the bayou.

Fairgrounds slots expansion – Fairgrounds officials are interested in expanding the hours of slots from midnight to 3 a.m., to better serve service industry employees. Adjoining neighborhood associations have previously opposed similar efforts. FSJNA has not taken an official stand on this new effort but may in the future.

V. Treasurer's Report: Matt Amoss was unable to attend.

VI. Committee Reports/Updates/Actions:

Membership – President Stogner spoke about upcoming membership push.

Events – Linda Landesberg recapped another successful year of the annual Feed the First effort on Mardi Gras.

VII. Old Business – Erich Caulfield made a motion to approve the February minutes. Brenda London made the second and it passed by unanimous consent.

VIII. New Business -- None

IX. Adjournment - A motion to adjourn was made by Kerry Tully. Rocky Seydel made the second and it passed by unanimous consent. The meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

FSJNA QUARTERLY EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES – March 2017

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Linda Landesberg made a motion that funds leftover from the Feed the First effort go toward FSJNA's funding for the First District's coffee fun. The motion was approved.