

**VOLUNTEER LOUISIANA COMMISSION
PROVISIONAL MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2017

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

STATE LIBRARY OF LOUISIANA

701 NORTH FOURTH STREET

BATON ROUGE, LA 70802

Commissioners Attending

Voting Members

Karen Moss-Barnes – Secretary

Gene Grabbe

Carissa Graves

Leslie Hill

Gwen Hilliard

Mitzi Hochheiser

Jenny Korner - Vice Chair

Julie LaFleur

Patrick Lawler

William Stoudt - Chair

Ex-Officio Members Present

Vickie Schenk, CNCS State Office

**Jillian Winters attending for Vickie Schenk*

Ex-Officio Members Absent

John Bel Edwards, Governor

Billy Nungesser, Lt. Governor

Commissioners Absent

Kristan Gordon

Ryan Haynie

Angela Jouett

Kathy Lenard

Laurie Manley

Grant Shreiner

Staff Attending:

Judd Jeansonne

Jawonna Mason

Tammy Son

Stephanie Trahan

Kori Chisham

Staff Absent:

None

Before the meeting was called to order, Jillian Winters (CNCS) and Kori Chisham (Volunteer Louisiana) introduced themselves to the group.

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair, William Stoudt, called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM. Roll was called and 10 voting Commissioners were present; a quorum was declared.

MINUTES

The minutes were reviewed and accepted as presented. Patrick Lawler moved to approve the minutes with a second by Gwen Hilliard; motion passes.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gene Grabbe presented the Treasurer's Report, Judd Jeansonne and Jawonna Mason answered questions that arose. Discussion centered on VGF funds, Commission Investment Fund, and review of programs.

William Stoudt made a motion to accept the report with the date correction amendment as noted by Gene Grabbe; Mitzi Hochheiser seconded the motion and the Treasurer's Report was accepted as corrected.

CHAIR'S REPORT

William Stoudt provided the Chair's report consisting of a review of Volunteer Louisiana activities and recent press received.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Judd Jeansonne gave a report on the OIG audit, reviewed the State Service plan, and reviewed recent updates to the Volunteer Louisiana website. Kori Chisham also reported on website and communications updates, and VGF Summer of Service grants.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Mitzi Hochheiser presented a proposal for by-law changes for the Commission to review. Because the proposals had not been submitted within the 10 day window required in current bylaws, the proposal was for an advisory opinion only, with binding Commission consideration held until the September Commission. Karen Moss-Barnes made a motion to adopt the proposed by-law changes as an advisory opinion and Gene Grabbe seconded the motion; motion passes unanimously. Mitzi also discussed commissioner recruitment efforts.

OFFICER SLATE

The slate of officers was presented: Secretary, Gwen Hilliard; Treasurer, Julie LaFleur; Vice-Chair, Karen Moss-Barnes; Chair, Mitzi Hochheiser. Jenny Korner made a motion to adopt the officer slate as recommended, William Stoudt seconded the motion; motion passes.

Judd recognized the service of William Stoudt as board chair whose tenure ends this year. Judd also acknowledged Gene Grabbe and Jenny Korner whose terms are ending this year as well. Gene and Jenny have a combined nine years of service on the Commission.

AMERICORPS COMMITTEE

Stephanie Trahan reviewed the status of the AmeriCorps programs. Nineteen applications were received and nine programs received competitive funding. Stephanie presented formula funding programs for consideration. After discussion, Leslie Hill made a motion to accept the formula funding as presented; motion was seconded by Patrick Lawler; motion passes.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Jenny Korner made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Gene Grabbe seconded the motion; motion passes. The meeting was adjourned at 12:31pm.