NATCHEZ CONVENTION PROMOTION COMMISSION
Regular Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, February 18, 2026

Commissioners Present:	Jennie Guido, John Grady Burns, Sheila Duffy- Lehrman, Fred Marsalis (online) Donna Sessions (phone), Robbie Cade Furdge
Commissioners Absent:	None
Staff:	Lynsey Gilbert, Roscoe Barnes, Mallory Meng, Jessica Butts
Guests:	Ryan Richardson (NCC), Monica Cross (Silas Simmons) Lou Ellen Stout, Tim Mask

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Jennie Guido called the meeting to order and welcomed at 1:05pm. John Grady Burns called roll for commissioner attendance and quorum.

APPROVE MINUTES

John Grady Burns motioned, seconded by Sheila Duffy- Lehrman, to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from January 21, 2026, and special call meeting February 4, 2026, as presented. Full reports may be requested from Visit Natchez.

The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIALS

John Grady Burns motioned, seconded by Sheila Duffy- Lehrman, to accept the financials and payment docket as presented by Silas Simmons.

The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Jennie Guido motioned, seconded by John Grady Burns, to approve Stay Tuned Music Festival for an additional $1,000, for a total of $ 2,000, out of the NAME fund.

The motion passed with 3 yays and 1 nay.

NEW BUSINESS

John Grady Burns motioned, seconded by Fred Marsalis, to approve the Key Club District convention support marketing request in the amount of $2,000.

The motion passed unanimously.

Jennie Guido motioned, seconded by Sheila Duffy-Lehrman, to approve the Bicycle Classic marketing request for $2,000, out of the NAME fund.

The motion passed unanimously.

Robbie Cade Furdge joined the meeting at 1:58pm.

Fred Marsalis exited the meeting at 2:01pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Shelia Duff-Lehrman motioned, seconded by Robbie Cade Furdge, to enter into closed determination at 2:48pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

John Grady Burns motioned, seconded Sheila Duffy -Lehrman, to enter into executive session for purpose of personal at 2:48pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

John Grady Burns motioned, seconded by Sheila Duffy-Lehrman, to come out of executive session at 4:08pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

Jennie Guido motioned, seconded by John Grady Burns, to revisit with full commission regarding decision on candidate and personnel.

The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

Without objection, Jennie Guido adjourned the meeting at 4:09pm.

Attest:

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Jennie Guido, Chairwoman

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John Grady Burns, Secretary/Treasurer