NATCHEZ CONVENTION PROMOTION COMMISSION
Rescheduled Monthly Meeting
Thursday, February 20, 2025

Commissioners Present:	Helen Moss Smith, Lance Harris, John Grady Burns Jennie Guido, Barbara Bruce, Robbie Cade Furdge
Staff:	Lynsey Gilbert, Jessica Butts, Mallory Meng & Roscoe Barnes
Guests:	Peyton Cavin

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Helen Moss Smith called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone at 11:08am.

APPROVE MINUTES

Jennie Guido motioned, seconded by John Grady Burns, to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from January 15 as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIALS

Jennie Guido motioned, seconded by John Grady Burns, to accept the financials and payment docket as presented by Silas Simmons.

The motion passed unanimously.

Robbie Cade Furdge joined at 11:24am via telephone.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

John Grady Burns motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to support Natchez Bicycle Classic's marketing request in the amount of $4,000 as recommended.

The motion passed unanimously.

John Grady Burns motioned, seconded by Robbie Cade Furdge, to support Natchez Food & Wine Festival's marketing request in the amount of $6,000 as we have done the past 2 years for title sponsorship.

The motion passed unanimously.

Jennie Guido motioned, seconded by Robbie Cade Furdge, to support the Natchez Garden Club in the amount of $3,000 for promotional brochure printing.

Helen Moss Smith recused herself. The motion passed with 4 yays, 0 nays, and 1 recusal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by John Grady Burns, to go into closed determination for executive session.

The motion passed unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to go into executive session for the purpose of personnel at 12:35pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by John Grady Burns, to return to regular session at 1:00pm.

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Jennie Guido, to empower the interim director to conduct final interviews for receptionist/administrative assistant position and to negotiate salary and benefits at the rate discussed in executive session.

The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by John Grady Burns, to adjourn at 1:01pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

Attest:

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Helen Moss Smith/ President/Chairman

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Lance Harris, Secretary/Treasurer