

NATCHEZ CONVENTION PROMOTION COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, February 16, 2022

Commissioners Present: Lance Harris, Dana Wilson, Barbara Bruce, Helen Moss Smith, Robbie Cade Furdge, Katie McCabe

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff: Sarah Sookraj, Jessica Cauthen, Roscoe Barnes, Devin Heath

Visitors: Moses Ard
Sarah Lindsey Laukhuff
Walter Tipton

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Helen Moss Smith called meeting to order at 1:10pm

Approve Minutes

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Dana Wilson, to approve the December 15, 2021 minutes as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to approve the January 19, 2022 minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIALS

Moses Ard presented financials including payment docket.

Walter Tipton joined the meeting at 1:16pm

Robbie Cade Furdge joined online at 1:17pm

Katie McCabe joined online at 1:19pm

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Dana Wilson, to approve the payment docket and financial report as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to approve and adopt the changes/amendments to the NCPC DBA Visit Natchez personnel policies and procedures as presented in highlighted yellow February 16, 2022.

The motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Bruce motioned, seconded by Helen Moss Smith, to approve an additional \$1,500.00 for the Euro Fest increasing the total amount to \$4,000.00.

The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, for ratification for the new Marketing Manager.

The motion carried unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Lance Harris, to ratify sponsorship of The Women's Empowerment Luncheon for \$2,500.00.

The motion carried unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, that the HR Committee be Helen Moss Smith, Dana Wilson and Barbara Bruce. The Budget Committee be Robbie Cade Furdge, Katie McCabe and Lance Harris.

The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Lance Harris made a motion to approve \$5,000.00 for Natchez Incorporated's Opportunities Await In Natchez Campaign per TMAC recommendation and contingent upon Natchez Inc. securing the additional \$13,720.00 for this campaign payable after they secure that funding.

The motion carried unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Katie McCabe, to approve the request for \$5,000.00 for the Natchez Little Theatre.

Lance Harris recused himself.

The motion carried unanimously.

Katie McCabe motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to accept and approve Concord Quarter's marketing assistance for \$1,000.00 for the First Creative Arts & Cultural Celebration.

The motion carried unanimously.

Katie McCabe motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to approve the sponsorship request from Mayor Dan Gibson for signage for NAPAC African American History Self-Guided Tour Project in the amount of \$5000.00 contingent upon all property owners consent of signs being installed.

The motion carried unanimously.

Helen Smith motioned, Seconded by Barbara Bruce, to approve the expenditures for sending Sarah Sookraj and Roscoe Barnes to Leadership Natchez Program this year at \$700.00 each.

The motion carried unanimously.

Helen Smith motioned, seconded by Dana Wilson to adjourn the meeting at 2:57pm.

The motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Helen Moss Smith, Chairman

Robbie Cade-Furdge Secretary/Treasurer

Attachment: *Women's Empowerment Luncheon Email*