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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE

TERREBONNE ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019

President Nicholas Hebert called the

meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. The prayer

and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Mrs.

Tammy Haydel.

Members recorded as present were: Mr.

Robert Barthel, Mr. C.J. Domangue (left

the boardroom at 12:17 and returned at

12:18), Dr. Michael Garcia, President

Nicholas Hebert, Mr. Ronald LaBauve, Mr.

Chris Lapeyre and Mr. Jason Underwood.

Recorded as absent were Mr. Ivan

Williams and Mr. Michael LaGarde. Also

present were Mr. Matthew Rookard,

TEDA’s CEO, Mrs. Katherine Gilbert-

Theriot, TEDA’s Director of Business

Retention & Expansion, Mrs. Tammy Haydel,

TEDA’s Executive Secretary and Ms.

Crystal Chiasson of Louisiana Workforce

Commission.

President Hebert made three calls for public

wishing to address the committee with

no response.

Mr. Underwood motioned to approve the

March 12, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes as

submitted, seconded by Mr. Lapeyre. The

motion passed unanimously.

Mr. LaBauve presented the March financial

reports. The reports are unremarkable.

There was a TPCG fund deposit in the

amount of $372,500. The deposit has

been re-coded in QuickBooks

with the appropriate code of Miscellaneous

Funds. Mr. Barthel motioned to

approve the March financial reports as

submitted, seconded by Mr. Lapeyre. The

motion passed unanimously.

Mr. LaBauve presented the April financial

reports. April was a three-payroll month;

the audit fee was also paid. Mr. Barthel

motioned to approve the March financial

reports as submitted, seconded by Mr.

Lapeyre. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Rookard introduced Mrs. Theriot, who

created the concept of the Bayou Region

Medical Guide. Mrs. Theriot advised that

this project grew out of our regional

medical partnership as an initiative of the

LA Workforce Commission. It is in the development

phase, creating a regional

online database of medical providers with

various medical field categories.

Interns/volunteers will input and upload the

data; medical providers will be allowed to

update their information as

necessary. Crystal Chiasson is assisting in

this project.

Resolution No. 19-003, which is an endorsement

of K&B Machine Works, LLC

for benefits of the Louisiana Enterprise

Zone Program, was presented to the

Board by Mr. Rookard. This is a

rebate program for Louisiana State Sales

Tax. This is a 2.5M investment creating 13

new jobs.

Mr. Barthel motioned to approve Resolution

No. 19-003 as submitted, seconded

by Mr. Lapeyre.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hebert introduced the Cooperative Endeavor

Agreement Lease of Premises

between TEDA and TPCG for renewal of

office rental space. It is a three-year term

for a monthly rate of $1,333.33. Mr.

Lapeyre motioned to approve contract of

lease as submitted, seconded by Mr.

Barthel. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Theriot presented the BRE report

wherein she noted a dramatic increase

(350%) in referrals over 2017 and 2018 for

technical assistance, mostly in workforce

development. Ms. Theriot attended a

TPSD technical school job fair for students

in the Jump Start program with

certifications; there were forty companies

in attendance with hires and job placements.

She advised that there are two

companies preparing to hire 30-40 skilled

employees for shipbuilding/repair and oil and-

gas manufacturing.

Mr. Rookard gave an update on the American

Legion Project. Mr. Jacob Dagate is

preparing a lease agreement between

TEDFO and TPCG. Ms. Theriot has made

some progress with the grant work for

100K. The parish has allocated 500K.

They have identified a remediation

program for asbestos and lead paint

through South Central Planning and the

EPA. They are working with the architect,

Craig Hebert.

Mr. Rookard acknowledged that TEDA

hosted an international company with a

current presence in the U.S. along the Gulf

Coast. They are interested in consolidating

their manufacturing operations. They

have been looking at real estate in this

area. A meeting took place yesterday

along with Chris Pulaski and his team from

Planning and Zoning.

At 12:34 p.m., Mr. Barthel moved to

adjourn, seconded by Mr. Lapeyre. The

motion passed

unanimously.

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Mr. Nicholas Hebert, President

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Mrs. Tammy Haydel, Minute Clerk