

BOARD MEETING MINUTES November 8, 2017

#### **VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Audrey Perry Bill Gollihar Donna Long Wolfer James Childers Jason Hall Jessica Adams

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: Brad Birchum Kathy Keane

### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jack Rentz Jay Evans Jeff Gore Joe Spano

**GUESTS PRESENT:** 

Alex Russell

**STAFF PRESENT:** 

Jeff Salmon

Marshall Morris Randy Burchell Randy Pool Sharan Singh Weldon Hurt

Lynn Barnett Nanci Liles Margaret Hoogstra Tim Chandler

Kelly Messer Caitlin Richards

**Patrice Sharbutt** 

- 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS. Having a quorum of eleven members present, Board President Randy Burchell called the meeting to order in the Frontier Texas Board Room, 625 North First Street, Abilene, Texas. Board President Randy Burchell welcomed Kelly Messer, Abilene City Assistant Attorney. Also welcomed new nominated Board Members – Alex Russell of Oddly Natural and Caitlin Richards of Stamford Chamber of Commerce
- 2. CONSENT AGENDA. Having a quorum, Board President Randy Burchell asked for a motion to approve. Motion was made by Randy Pool, second by Jessica Adams and Consent Agenda was approved.

## 3. COMMITTEE REPORT(S) AND POSSIBLE ACTION.

a. Nominations Committee. President Burchell asked for members of the Board to serve on the Nominations Committee. The committee would be in present a new slate of officers for the 2018-2020 Board of Directors as well search for new Board members. Those who volunteered for Nominations Committee – Randy Burchell, Randy Pool, Weldon Hurt and Alex Russell.

# 4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND POSSIBLE ACTION.

- **a. Programs/Events.** Executive Director Jeff Salmon informed the Board of the upcoming Christmas Party on December 7, 2017 at 6 pm at the Beehive. All are welcome to attend.
- **b.** Facility/Operation. Mr. Salmon was happy to announce the new spirit guide Ranald Mackenzie. The production of the new spirit guide was all in-house and used a local actor.
- **c.** Marketing/Promotion. Mr. Salmon is working to start a "Friends of Frontier Texas" program and hopes to kick-off this program in Spring of 2018.

# 5. EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS REPORTS.

- a. City of Abilene James Childers spoke to the update to the City's website and recommended that everyone go on-line and check it out.
- b. Taylor County Commissioner Brad Birchum spoke of the progress to the Expo Center and the next phases of the remodeling of the Expo Center. All is on schedule and on budget.
- c. Texas Midwest Community Network Kathy Keane spoke of the Annual Conference that was held here and it was a record turnout. She was very pleased with the conference. She told the Board the mission of the Texas Midwest Community is to reach out to the surrounding communities to educate. She has over 50 communities in 30 counties.
- 6. NEXT MEETING DATE. Next meeting date is Wednesday March 21, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT. There was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**Compiled by Patrice Sharbutt** 

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Reviewed by Jeff Salmon