

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ERNEST N. MORIAL NEW ORLEANS EXHIBITION HALL AUTHORITY**

A Meeting of Ernest N. Morial New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority was held on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 in the Board Room at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center – New Orleans, 900 Convention Center Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana.

President Rodrigue called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. and asked for a roll call. The results were as follows:

Dottie Belletto	Present
Ryan F. Berni	Present
Alfred L. Groos	Present
Stephen Caputo	Present
Ronald Guidry	Present
Robert Hammond	Present
Eddie Jacobs	Present
Steve Pettus	Present
Bonita Robertson	Present
Melvin J. Rodrigue	Present
Michael Smith	Absent
Camille Whitworth	Absent

The total number present at roll call was ten (10).

In relation to the roll call, President Rodrigue stated that Commissioner Al Groos has been appointed Vice President of the Board and Commissioner Dottie Belletto has been appointed Secretary. Commissioner Ronald Guidry will chair the Insurance Committee. Other committee member updates will be communicated via email to the Board members once finalized.

Commissioner Berni moved approval to amend the agenda to add an Executive Session for discussion of legal strategy subject to the attorney-client privilege. Motion seconded by Treasurer Pettus. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Treasurer Pettus moved approval to go into executive session at 2:37 p.m. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jacobs. **Motion unanimously approved.**

Commissioner Robertson moved approval to come out of executive session at 3:12 p.m. Motion seconded by Treasurer Pettus. **Motion unanimously approved.**

President Rodrigue asked the audience for public comment of agenda items. A public comment was made by Keith Butler. A motion was made by Commissioner Guidry to require a meeting between PFM Financial Advisors, LLC. and Mr. Keith Butler, seconded by Commissioner Hammond. A vote was taken with the following results:

Dottie Belletto	Yea
Ryan Berni	Nay
Alfred L. Groos	Nay
Stephen Caputo	Nay
Ronald Guidry	Yea
Robert Hammond	Yea
Eddie Jacobs	Yea

Steve Pettus	Nay
Bonita Robertson	Yea
Melvin Rodrigue	Nay
Michael Smith	Absent
Camille Whitworth	Absent

Five were in favor and five were opposed. **Motion failed.**

President Rodrigue requested a motion to approve the ENMNOEHA Board Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2019. Treasurer Pettus moved approval, seconded by Secretary Groos. **Motion approved** with no additions, corrections, deletions or changes noted.

Commissioner Guidry moved approval of the Property and Casualty Insurance Policies. Motion seconded by Treasurer Pettus. **Motion approved.**

Lisa Daniel with PFM Financial Advisors, LLC and Tom Morsch with Morsh Expeditions, LLC. made a presentation to the Board on the Financial Capital Plan.

Treasurer Pettus moved approval of the Board Resolution approving the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for Audit Engagement. Motion seconded by Commissioner Hammond. **Motion approved.**

Commissioner Belletto moved approval of the Board Resolution approving the Ernest N. Morial New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority to Reimburse Itself from Proceeds of Debt. Motion seconded by Commissioner Berni. **Motion approved.**

Commissioner Guidry moved approval to contract with Martin Insurance Agency, Inc. for Casualty Insurance Agent Services. Motion seconded by Commissioner Hammond. **Motion approved.**

Commissioner Belletto moved approval to contract with Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. for Property and Casualty Insurance Broker and Insurance Consulting Services. Motion seconded by Commissioner Berni. **Motion approved.**

Commissioner Belletto moved approval to contract with Mainstage Theatrical Supply, Inc. to Furnish & Install Phase III Meeting Room Lighting. Motion seconded by Secretary Groos. **Motion approved.**

Treasurer Pettus moved approval to procure Lecterns with Podium Pros, Inc. Motion seconded by Commissioner Belletto. **Motion approved.**

Commissioner Robertson moved approval to the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with City of New Orleans for Public Safety and Homeland Security Enhancements. Motion seconded by Secretary Groos. **Motion approved with one opposition.**

Commissioner Guidry moved approval of the Surplus Ratification. Motion seconded by Commissioner Robertson. **Motion approved.**

Ms. Alita Caparotta, Vice President of Finance & Administration reviewed the December 2018 draft Financial Reports. Treasurer Pettus moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Berni. **Motion approved.**

With no other business to come before the Board, President Rodrigue asked for a motion to adjourn. Treasurer Pettus moved adjournment, seconded by Commissioner Berni. **Motion approved** and the meeting adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
AL GROOS, SECRETARY

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