

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE LOUISIANA STATE MUSEUM  
New Orleans Jazz Museum, Green Room  
Monday, July 24, 2023  
10:00 a.m.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ruth Burke, Mary Coulon, Florence Jumonville, Sandy Shilstone, Christopher Tidmore and Suzie Terrell

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Madlyn Bagneris

**LSM STAFF PRESENT:** Angelena Jones, Susan Maclay and Michael McKnight

**I. Call to order**

Ruth Burke called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

**II. Adoption of Agenda**

Suzie Terrell moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mary Coulon and passed unanimously.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

There were no minutes to approve at this time, but would be presented at future meetings.

**IV. Review of the Lord Study's comparison chart of other state museum systems** -Ruth Burke noted that the comparison chart in the Lord Study shows the LSM system against other systems.

**V. Discussion of the Lord Study's implementation plan for the proposed 3 region museum system**

Ruth Burke began the discussion by noting that the current proposed 3 region strategy plan was developed in April 2020 by the Lord Group. She then went through the questions on the questionnaire that had been presented to the Lt. Governor in March. Discussion then ensued as to what would be necessary to implement the Lord Study. Dr. McKnight reported that implementation of the plan will require the enactment of new sections of law, adjustments to the appropriations and capital outlay bills and at a minimum the amendment, repeal and/or reenactment of several statutes.

Discussion then ensued about whether to wait for the Lt. Governor to respond to the questionnaire or if the committee should reach a consensus on recommended answers to the questions and then send those recommendations to the Lt. Governor. It was noted that it would be necessary to educate the legislature on the changes and that the answers to the questions could then be used as talking points for advocacy of the proposed changes. Susan Maclay stated that once the marketing person is on board, that person will be able to produce materials that will help with educating the legislature. The committee decided that at next meeting members would be prepared to provide recommended answers to the questions on the questionnaire.

**VI. Review of current LSM governance statute, and changes needed to accommodate a new System** – A detailed print out of all of the areas of Title 25 that will need to be changed to

create the new system was briefly discussed.

**VII. Old Business** – There was no old business.

**VIII. New Business** – There was no new business.

**IX. Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.