



Minutes

Minutes of the Legal and Regular Meeting of the Southside Economic Development District

January 9, 2023

The Southside Economic Development District Board of Commissioners met in Legal and Regular Session at the Benoit Recreation Center, 1700 Oaklawn Street, Monroe, La, 71201. Monday, January 9, 2023, and transacted the following business.

Members present: Tony Little, Roosevelt Wright, Jr., Karl Dhaliwal, and Otis Jones.

Members absent: Rev. Sam Moore, III, Rev. Marty Campbell, and Tyrone Goodin.

There was a quorum present.

The President recognized the presence of City Council President Kema Dawson-Robinson, and former City Council member Robert "Red" Stevens and offered each an opportunity to address the board.

The invocation was offered by Rev. James Earl Jackson, pastor of the Faith Harvest Baptist Church.

Upon motion of Mr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Jones, the December 12, 2022, minutes were adopted. President Little reported that the motto for SEDD in 2023 is "Moving Forward." He said the focus will be to put plans and structures in place to deliver for the Southside Side. He also said SEDD will collaborate with local agencies but seek funding support from as many sources as possible.

Mr. Charles Theus, the executive director, reported that Steven Nosacka, who was scheduled to inform the board about procedures to take relative to bonding the present hotel-motel tax revenue, could not be present. After making that announcement, Mr. Theus said this meeting was unlawful because Mr. Dhaliwal had resigned from his position, and the meeting in progress did not have a quorum. He then left the meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Wright, the board unanimously adopted bylaws that would take effect immediately, replacing any other bylaws.

President Little called upon Rev. James Jackson to chair the election of a president under the provision of the newly adopted bylaws.

Upon motion of Mr. Wright, Tony Little was nominated and seconded by Mr. Dhaliwal. There were no other nominations, and Mr. Little was unanimously elected. Mr. Little nominated Otis Jones as vice-president, seconded by Mr. Wright, and Roosevelt Wright, Jr. as secretary-treasurer, seconded by Mr. Jones; both were unanimously elected.

The treasurer, Mr. Goodin, was absent and did not provide a report.

Upon motion of Mr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Little, the board unanimously approved the introduction of a complete revision of its 2022-23 budget, which was to be advertised three times over 15 days in the official journal, posted with the secretary of the Monroe City Council and made available for public inspection, and then finally approved at the February 6, 2023, regular meeting after providing a period for public comment.

On the motion of Mr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Little, the board unanimously approved a recommendation from the chairman to issue a "Request for Proposals" to contract a professional grant writer for SEDD for 2023.

On motion of Mr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Little, the board unanimously approved a recommendation of the Safe Neighborhood committee to issue a "Request for Proposals" to assemble a database of groups, individuals, and agencies needed to address and contribute to the reduction of criminal activity in the district.

Mr. Little said the original agenda he approved contained two items that were omitted from the posted agenda. He said, apparently, someone "tinkered" with his approved agenda but asked the board to add the items to the agenda so they could be legally addressed.

Upon motion of Mr. Wright seconded by Mr. Little, the action item "consideration of the recommendation of the president that the position of executive director be eliminated for 2023" was added to the agenda by unanimous approval of the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Wright seconded by Mr. Little, the action item "consideration of contracting with attorney Kevin Johnson to serve as legal advisor for SEDD" was added to the agenda by unanimous approval of the board.

On the motion of Mr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Jones, the board unanimously agreed to contract with attorney Kevin Johnson to serve as the legal advisor for SEDD. The President noted that Mr. Jones would meet with Attorney Johnson a report details of fees and other particulars at the February 6, 2023, meeting.

On the motion of Mr. Wright and seconded by Mr. Little, the board unanimously approved the President's recommendation that the executive director position be eliminated for 2023, effective January 9, 2023.

There was no report from the Infrastructure committee, chaired by Rev. Campbell.

There was no report from the Expanding Housing committee, chaired by Mr. Goodin.

The DBE committee, chaired by Mr. Little, reported that the DBE contractor will officially begin work on February 1, 2023. The committee will meet before February 6 to discuss the implementation of other items associated with its committee's responsibility in the SEDD Southside Dream -25-year plan.

Mr. Wright reported that the developer has reported that the website construction is underway and will be complete by January 31.

In public participation, Mrs. L. Marie Brown asked whether there would be community input into selecting the sample communities in each district before they are approved. Mr. Wright, the committee chairperson, said the city council members from each district and the general public will get a chance to give input before the SEDD board decides on the target neighborhoods at its April meeting.

Mrs. Kenya Roberson, of the Black Chamber, requested advance notice of items to be discussed, including supporting documents, before meetings. The President said those who request notification would receive a notification. He added that after February, all notices and documents will be available on the SEDD website before meetings.

A statement was given by Mrs. Jasmynne McConnel, vice-president for diversity of the Monroe Chamber of Commerce, who told the board that Mr. Dhaliwal had notified the Chamber of Commerce that he no longer wanted to serve. She said he no longer represents the chamber on the board because of his resignation. She then left the meeting.

A discussion from various members of the public ensued, including Kenya Roberson of the Black Chamber and Minister Verbon Muhammad of the Nation Islam about Mrs. McConnell's statement. President Little said the bylaws require members who choose to resign to do so by letter, and even then, they serve until their replacements are named.

The matter was resolved when Mr. Dhaliwal told the board he has not resigned and has not submitted a letter of resignation.

After 41 minutes of deliberation and discussion, the meeting was adjourned to meet in regular session on February 6, 2023.

Tony Little, President

Roosevelt Wright, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer

January 9, Approved Bylaws attached:

**AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF
THE SOUTHSIDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF MONROE**

As of January 9, 2023

PREAMBLE

The Board of Commissioners (the “**Board**”) of the Southside Economic Development District of the City of Monroe (the “**District**”), acting as the governing authority of the District pursuant to its powers under its enabling statute, Section 2740.51 of Chapter 66 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (as it may be further amended from time to time, the “**Act**”), does hereby amend and restate its bylaws (as so amended and restated, these “**Bylaws**”) in their entirety, effective as of January 9, 2023, as follows:

**ARTICLE 1
GENERAL**

§ 1.1 **Name.** The District is a special taxing district and political subdivision under the laws of the State of Louisiana, and shall be known as the “Southside Economic Development District of the City of Monroe.”

§ 1.2 **Principal Office.** The principal office of the District shall be as determined by the Board. The Board may change the principal office or have such additional offices except that in no event shall the principal office of the District be domiciled outside of the boundaries of the City of Monroe (the “**City**”).

**ARTICLE II
OBJECT, PURPOSE & POWERS**

§ 2.1 **Purpose.** Pursuant to the Act, the purpose of the Board is to provide for the orderly planning, development, acquisition, construction, and effectuation of services, improvements, facilities and quality of life enhancements within the District, and to exercise such other powers, duties, and functions necessary to accomplish its purpose.

§ 2.2 **Powers.** The District, acting by and through the Board, shall have and exercise all powers of a political subdivision and special taxing district necessary or convenient for the carrying out of its objects and purposes including, but not limited to, the power and authority granted by the Act.

**ARTICLE III
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

§ 3.1 **Powers.** The powers and governance of the District shall be vested in and exercised through the board of commissioners (“the board”). The board may exercise all powers available to it under the law including, without limitation, those powers set forth in La. Rev. Stat. § [LA Rev Stat § 33:2740.51 \(2016\)](#)

§ 3.2 **Number.** As provided by the Act, the number of Commissioners shall consist of seven (7) members.

§ 3.3 **Composition.** As provided for in the Act, the Board shall be comprised of seven members appointed by the Monroe City Council in the following manner:

- One (1) member shall be appointed by the mayor of the City.
- Three (3) members shall be appointed by the Monroe City Council (the “**Council**”).
- One (1) member shall be appointed by the Council from a list of nominees submitted by the Monroe Chamber of Commerce.
- Two (2) members shall be appointed by the Council from a list of nominees submitted by the African-American Chamber of Commerce. The members appointed by the Council as provided in this subsection shall have their principal place of business or profession in, or own property in, within the District.

§ 3.4 **Terms.** The term of office for members of the board will be three years. The term of commissioners commences on their appointment date. Commissioners shall serve until their replacements are confirmed.

§ 3.5 **Resignation.** Any Commissioner may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Chairman or Secretary. The resignation of any Commissioner shall take effect at the time specified in such notice and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

§ 3.6 **Successor after Resignation.** Upon expiration of a term of office for a Commissioner, the successor shall be appointed in accordance with the procedures herein prescribed for the appointment of the original members of the Board. The commissioner’s term shall continue until the successor is confirmed by the council.

§ 3.7 **Removal.** The Commissioners, by a majority vote of the full board, may present to the Monroe City Council a request that a Commissioner be removed from the Board for any of the following reasons:

- Failure to attend three consecutive regular meetings of the board without cause;
- When a Board Member is convicted of a felony while serving on the board;
- When a Board Member discloses information obtained or discussed in an “executive session.”
- When a board member fails to comply with the State Code of Ethics requirements.

§ 3.8 **Compliance with Applicable Law**

The board shall ensure that the District complies with all laws and regulations to which it is subject including, without limitation, public laws governing political subdivisions generally, such as Public Bid Law, public records law, and open meetings law. The board shall ensure that all commissioners comply with the training requirements Code of Governmental Ethics and adhere to its rules.

§ 3.9 **Vacancies.** Any vacancy in the office of a Commissioner which occurs prior to the expiration of the term for which a Commissioner has been appointed shall be filled by appointment in the same manner as the original appointment for the unexpired term.

§ 3.10 **Compensation.** Commissioners shall serve without compensation; however, they shall receive a travel allowance as reimbursement for expenses incurred while attending to the business of the Board or the District.

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

§ 4.1 Meetings

The board shall meet in regular session on the first Monday of each month and also shall meet in special session as convened by the chairman, vice chairman, or upon written notice of two-thirds of the board members. Board members shall receive notice of special sessions or meetings at least two business days in advance of the special session or meeting. When a day fixed for a regular meeting falls on a legal holiday, the meeting shall be held on the first Monday thereafter, which is not a holiday. The time, day or place of regular meeting may be changed by a majority vote of the Board. The Secretary shall notify all Board members of any such change.

§ 4.2 Voting. All Commissioners shall have an equal vote. The act of a majority of the Commissioners present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board.

§ 4.3 Quorum. A quorum for a meeting of the Board shall consist of a majority of the Commissioners.

§ 4.4 Board Actions. All actions of the board shall be approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the full board. It takes four votes to pass any action.

§ 4.5 Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board shall be held whenever called by the board chairman or the vice-chairperson if the chairperson is incapacitated. Notice of each special meeting of the Board shall be given to each Commissioner at least twenty-four (24) hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, before the day on which the special meeting is to be held. Notice of each special meeting shall also be posted in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.6 hereof. The business transacted at such special meeting shall be confined to the purposes stated in the notice. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, special meetings shall be in all cases subject to the applicable Open Meetings Laws.

§ 4.6 Public Notice of Meetings; Agenda. The Board shall give written public notice of any regular, special, or rescheduled meeting no later than twenty-four (24) hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, before the meeting.

- **Posting.** Written public notice shall include, but need not be limited to:
- Posting a copy of the notice at the principal office of the District, or if no such office exists, at the building in which the meeting is to be held; or by the publication of the notice in the official journal of the District or the SEDD official website no less than twenty-four (24) hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, before the scheduled time of the meeting.
- Mailing a copy of the notice to any member of the news media *who requests notice of such meetings*; any such member of the news media shall be given notice of all meetings in the same manner as is given to members of the Board.
- **Agenda.** Such notice shall include the agenda, date, time, and place of the meeting. The agenda shall not be changed less than twenty-four (24) hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal

holidays, prior to the scheduled time of the meeting. Each item on the agenda shall be listed separately and described with reasonable specificity. Before the Board may take any action on an item, the presiding officer or his/her designee shall read aloud the description of the item.

- **Items Not on the Agenda.** Upon unanimous approval of the Commissioners present at a meeting, the Board may take up a matter not on the agenda. Any such matter shall be identified in the motion to take up the matter not on the agenda with reasonable specificity, including the purpose for the addition to the agenda, and entered into the minutes of the meeting. Prior to any vote on the motion to take up a matter not on the agenda by the Board, there shall be an opportunity for public comment on any such motion in accordance with R.S. 42:14 or 15. The Board shall not use its authority to take up a matter not on the agenda as a subterfuge to defeat the purposes of Chapter 1 of Title 42 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

§ 4.7 **Place of Meetings.** The Board of Commissioners may designate any place, within or without the City as the place of meeting for any annual meeting, regular meeting or for any special meeting. If no designation is made, the place of meeting shall be its regular meeting place.

§ 4.8 **Roll Call.** Before proceeding with the business of the Board, the Secretary shall call the roll of the members, and the names of those present shall be entered in the minutes.

§ 4.9 **Reading of Minutes.** Unless a reading of the minutes of a Board meeting is requested by a Commissioner, the minutes may be approved without reading if the Board's Secretary has previously provided each member a copy of the minutes.

§ 4.10 **Executive Sessions.** The Board may hold executive sessions upon an affirmative vote, taken at an open meeting for which notice has been given as required by these Bylaws and applicable law of two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the Commissioners present. An executive session shall be limited to matters allowed to be exempted from discussion at open meetings by La. R.S. 42:17 as it may be amended from time to time; however, no final or binding action shall be taken during an executive session. The vote of each Commissioner on the question of holding such an executive session and the reason for holding such an executive session shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the meeting. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require that any meeting be closed to the public, nor shall any executive session be used as a subterfuge to defeat the purposes of these Bylaws or Chapter 1 of Title 42 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. A copy of La. R.S. 42:17 in effect on the date of the adoption of these Bylaws is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

§ 4.11 **Parliamentary Procedure.** The proceedings of the District meetings shall be governed by and conducted according to the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS

§ 5.5 Officers

The board shall elect from its number a chairperson, vice chairperson, and secretary-treasurer who will each serve a two (2) year term. All Officers shall be elected by the majority of the full Board.

§ 5.6 **Election of Officers.** The Officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the full board of Commissioners at the first meeting of its fiscal year in 2023 and every two years thereafter commencing with the first meeting of the 2025 fiscal year. Commissioners shall have the right to nominate one candidate for president other than themselves. The election for president shall be conducted by a person agreed upon by a majority of the board members present. Once elected, the president will nominate a vice-president and secretary-treasurer. Commissioners have the right to nominate other candidates in addition to the president's nominations.

§ 5.7 **Vacancies.** Whenever any vacancies shall occur in any of the Offices of the District, vacancies shall be filled by a majority vote of the full Board. The person appointed will serve the remainder of the unexpired term of office of the person they replace.

§ 5.8 **Duties and Powers of the Chairperson of the Board:** The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the board and shall supervise the carrying out of the policies adopted or approved by the board; shall have, and may exercise, those specific powers conferred by these Bylaws; and shall also have, and may exercise, such further powers and duties as from time to time may be conferred, or assigned by, the board. The chairperson shall serve as the chief spokesperson of the district, appoint committees and chairpersons, and serve as an ex-officio member of all committees. The president or his/her designated representative shall sign all board minutes and disbursement requisitions.

§ 5.9 **Duties and Powers of the Vice Chairperson of the Board:** The Vice Chairperson shall assume all of the duties and powers of the Chairperson in the event the Chairperson is absent from a board meeting or otherwise unable to fulfill the duties of the position.

§ 5.10 **Duties and Powers of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Board:** The Secretary-Treasurer shall attend all sessions of the board and record all votes and the minutes of all proceedings. The secretary-treasurer shall give, or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of the board to all commissioners, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the board. The secretary-treasurer shall further have charge of the funds and assets of the District, shall keep proper records showing all receipts, expenditures, and disbursements, with vouchers in support thereof; and shall make a report of the financial status of the District at each regular board meeting. The secretary-treasurer or his/her designee, shall sign all board minutes and disbursement requisitions, and promptly forward copies of signed minutes to the office of the Monroe City Council.

§ 5.11 **Delegation of Duties and Authority.** In case of the incapacity of any officer, the Board, by majority vote, may delegate, on a temporary basis, the powers or duties of the incapacitated officer to another commissioner or officer. The act of delegation will expire when the officer resumes active service.

ARTICLE VI COMMITTEES

§ 6.1 **Standing Committees:** The board may, at its discretion, appoint standing committees recommended by the president to execute its Approved plan.

1. The chairperson of the board shall appoint committee chairpersons and at least two other commissioners to comprise the committee. All appointees serve at the pleasure of the chairperson of the board.
2. The Chairperson of the committee may appoint stakeholder members of the community to serve in a non-voting, advisory capacity.
3. All recommendations of the committee require a majority vote of committee members.
4. Committee meetings shall comply with the open meetings law.
5. Any procedures, rules, or policies by committees must be approved by the SEDD board of commissioners prior to implementation.
6. Committees shall keep minutes of all meetings and promptly forward them to the secretary-treasurer of the board.
7. Two members of the committee present constitute a quorum.

§ 6.2 **Ad Hoc Committees:** In addition to this standing committee, the board shall have the power to act in creating such ad hoc committees and subcommittees as it deems prudent.

ARTICLE VII FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY

§ 7.2 **Annual Audit.** An independent financial audit of the District’s revenues and expenditures shall be performed annually, if so determined by the Board or required by applicable law, by a certified public accountant(s) licensed by the State of Louisiana and completed within sixty (60) days after the close of each fiscal year, with the expenses of such audit, if any, to be paid by the District.

§ 7.3 **Bonding.** The Secretary-Treasurer and all Officers and employees designated by the Board who actually do handle the money of the District may be bonded in such amount as the Board shall deem necessary, and the cost thereof shall be paid by the District.

§ 7.4 **Reimbursement.** The District shall reimburse actual reasonable expenses of the Commissioners, if any, incurred in the performance of their duties.

ARTICLE VIII NOTICE

§ 8.1 **Written Notice.** Whenever the provisions of the Act, applicable law or any of these Bylaws require or permit notice to be given to any Commissioner or Officer, it shall not be construed to require personal notice, but any such notice may be given in writing by depositing the same in a post office or letterbox in a prepaid, sealed wrapper, or by facsimile (“Fax”) or electronic mail (“Email”) transmission, in either case, addressed to such Commissioner or Officer at his address as such address appears on the books of the District. The time when the notice shall have been so mailed or delivered by Fax or Email shall be deemed the time of the giving of such notice.

§ 8.2 **Waivers.** Any Commissioner or Officer may waive, in writing or by Fax or Email, any notice required or permitted to be given under any provisions of any statute or of these Bylaws, either before, at, or after the meeting or other event of which notice is so provided. All Commissioners or Officers present at any meeting shall be deemed to have waived any and all notice thereof.

**ARTICLE IX
INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND COMMISSIONERS**

The District shall indemnify and hold harmless any person who was or is party or is threatened to be made party to any action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative (including any action by or in the right of the District) by reason of the fact that the person is or was a Commissioner, Officer, employee or agent of the District.

**ARTICLE X
AMENDMENTS**

These Bylaws may be altered, amended, restated, or repealed by the affirmative vote of the majority of the full board of Commissioners at any regular meeting or at any special meeting of the Board called for that purpose at which a quorum is present; *provided, however*, that (a) Article XI hereof, which provides for the dissolution of the District, shall not be altered or amended unless such alteration or amendment is approved by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners and (b) no change of the time or place of the election of Commissioners shall be made within fifty (50) days preceding the day on which such election is to be held, and that in the case of any change of such time or place, notice thereof shall be given to each Commissioner at least twenty (20) days before the election is held.

**ARTICLE XI
DISSOLUTION**

The District shall dissolve and cease to exist one year after the date all bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness of the District, including refunding bonds, are paid in full as to both principal and interest; however, in no event shall the District have an existence of less than three (3) years from July 1, 2005.

**ARTICLE XII
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

- **Governing Laws.** Any matters not heretofore covered by these Bylaws shall be governed by the provisions of the applicable laws of the State of Louisiana.
- **Severability.** The invalidity of any part of these Bylaws will not impair or affect in any manner the validity or enforceability of the remainder of these Bylaws.
- **Waiver.** No restriction, condition, obligation or provision contained in these Bylaws will be deemed to have been abrogated or waived by reason of any failure to enforce same, irrespective of the number of violations or breaches thereof which may occur.

Exhibit A

[LA Rev Stat § 42:17](#)

§17. Exceptions to open meetings

A. A public body may hold an executive session pursuant to R.S. 42:16 for one or more of the following reasons:

(1) Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person, provided that such person is notified in writing at least twenty-four hours before the meeting and that such person may require that such discussion be held at an open meeting. However, nothing in this Paragraph shall permit an executive session for discussion of the appointment of a person to a public body or, except as provided in R.S. 39:1593(C)(2)(c), for discussing the award of a public contract. In cases of extraordinary emergency, written notice to such person shall not be required; however, the public body shall give such notice as it deems appropriate and circumstances permit.

(2) Strategy sessions or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining, prospective litigation after formal written demand, or litigation when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body.

(3) Discussion regarding the report, development, or course of action regarding security personnel, plans, or devices.

(4) Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct.

(5) Cases of extraordinary emergency, which shall be limited to natural disaster, threat of epidemic, civil disturbances, suppression of insurrections, the repelling of invasions, or other matters of similar magnitude.

(6) Any meeting of the State Mineral and Energy Board at which records or matters entitled to confidential status by existing law are required to be considered or discussed by the board with its staff or with any employee or other individual, firm, or corporation to whom such records or matters are confidential in their nature, and are disclosed to and accepted by the board subject to such privilege, for the exclusive use in evaluating lease bids or development covering state-owned lands and water bottoms, which exception is proved pursuant to and consistently with the Public Records Act, being Chapter 1 of Title 44 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other statutes to which the board is subject.

(7) Discussions between a city or parish school board and individual students or the parents or tutors of such students, or both, who are within the jurisdiction of the respective school system, regarding problems of such students or their parents or tutors; provided however that any such parent, tutor, or student may require that such discussions be held in an open meeting.

(8) Presentations and discussions at meetings of civil service boards of test questions, answers, and papers produced and exhibited by the office of the state examiner, municipal fire and police civil service, pursuant to R.S. 33:2492 or 2552.

(9) The portion of any meeting of the Second Injury Board during which records or matters regarding the settlement of a workers' compensation claim are required to be considered or discussed by the board with its staff in order to grant prior written approval as required by R.S. 23:1378(A)(8).

(10) Or any other matters now provided for or as may be provided for by the legislature.

B. The provisions of this Chapter shall not apply to judicial proceedings.

C. The provisions of this Chapter shall not prohibit the removal of any person or persons who willfully disrupt a meeting to the extent that orderly conduct of the meeting is seriously compromised.

D. The provisions of R.S. 42:19 and R.S. 42:20 shall not apply to any meeting of a private citizens' advisory group or a private citizens' advisory committee established by a public body, when the members of such group or committee do not receive any compensation and serve only in an advisory capacity, except textbook advisory committees of the State Department of Education or the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. However, all other provisions contained in this Chapter shall be applicable to such group or committee and the public body which established such group or committee shall comply with the provisions of R.S. 42:19 in providing the required notice of meetings of such group or committee.

Tony Little, President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roosevelt Wright, Jr.", is written over a horizontal line.

Roosevelt Wright, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer

January 9, 2023