**Shrimp Task Force Meeting**

**Wednesday, September 26, 2018, 10:00am**

**8026 Main St. Houma, LA**

**Roll Call:**

**Voting Members Present:**

George Barisich

Acy Cooper, Jr.

Lance Nacio

Rodney Olander

Kristen Baumer

**Voting Members Absent:**

Ronald Dufrene, Sr.

Steven Sode

Alan Gibson

Andrew Blanchard

**Non-voting Members Present:**

Adam Eitmann

Peyton Cagle

Chad Hebert

Jack Isaacs

Stephen Sessums

**Non-voting Members Absent:**

Justin Gremillion

Rodney Olander motioned to accept the July 11, 2018 meeting minutes, 2nd by Acy Cooper. Motion carries.

Motion to amend the agenda to add an item under New Business, ‘A- To Hear a Presentation on Making the Most of Your Meeting’- Sea Grant’ by George Barisich, 2nd by Lance Nacio. Motion carries.

George Barisich motioned to accept the agenda as amended, 2nd by Lance Nacio. Motion carries.

Financial Report:

Fund Balance- $519,545

Budget Balance- $94,941

Request for a financial breakdown of the STF budget for items covered under ‘operating services’ and ‘professional services’

The board accepted the Federal Shrimp Permit report and requested more information and a quarterly comparison on permits that are active, renewable/transferable

Niki Pace addressed the task force with a presentation on “ Making the Most of Your Meeting”

The board requested adding an item to the next meeting’s agenda to discuss talking time limits and the STF Bylaws

Acy Cooper motioned to postpone item A. To Hear a Presentation of Survey Results from the 2018 LFF Sediment Diversion Panel and Discussion to the end of New Business, 2nd by Rodney Olander. Motion carries unanimously.

Peyton Cagle addressed the task force with discussion on the 2019 Shrimp Bycatch Study and online portal; public comment was made by Barry Rogers who expressed concern with travel time for certain areas

Mary Grigor provided a summary and update on the 2018 spring shrimp season

Peyton Cagle presented on shrimp prices by market size; the board requested more information and a presentation at a future meeting on the adjustment of shrimp prices from the 80’s to today

Ashley Ferguson (LDWF) and Kevin de Santiago led discussion on location proposals for inshore artificial reef sites

Acy Cooper motioned to oppose and write a letter regarding the location proposals for the inshore artificial reef sites, 2nd by George Barisich. Motion carries.

The task force discussed rescheduling the spring 2018 Washington, D.C. trip to walk the hill; reschedule date still TBD

Dominique Seibert, with LA Sea Grant, presented the survey results from the 2018 LFF Sediment Diversion Panel

Next meeting set for Wednesday, November 14, 2018 for 10:00am in Houma

Motion to adjourn by Acy Cooper, 2nd by Lance Nacio. Motion carries.