



Louisiana Uniform Local Sales Tax Board

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

Thursday, September 24, 2020

LMA Building, Room 3, 700 N. 10th Street, Baton Rouge, LA

MEMBERS & PROXIES PRESENT (P) / ABSENT (A):

Members:

Dr. Janet Pope, LA School Board Executive Director	_____
Mike Ranatza, LA Sheriff's Association Executive Director	_____
John Gallagher, LA Municipal Association Executive Director	_____
Guy Cormier, Police Jury Association of Louisiana Executive Director	__A__
Amanda Granier, LA School Board Association Appointee	__A__
_____, LA Sheriff's Association Appointee (Vacant)	_____
Kressy Krennerich, LA Municipal Association Appointee	__P__
Jeffery LaGrange, Police Jury Association of Louisiana Appointee	__P__

Proxies:

Neshelle S. Nogess, LA School Board Association	__P__
Gregory Ruppert, LA Sheriff's Association, Chairman	__P__
Karen Day White, LA Municipal Association	__P__
_____, Police Jury Association of Louisiana (Vacant)	_____

STAFF PRESENT:

J. Roger Bergeron, Executive Director	__P__
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OTHERS PRESENT:

Rick Mekdessie
Andrew Kolb
Renee Roberie, Executive Director of the Remote Sellers Commission
Administrators participating via the Zoom Web Conferencing platform.

Each member of the Board received the following documents prior to the meeting:

1. Meeting Agenda
2. Minutes of the July 9, 2020 Meeting
3. Financial Reports as of August 31, 2020
4. Fiscal Year 2020-2021 YTD Budget
5. Information regarding the Legislative Audit for FYE 2019-2020

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Roll Call

Chairman Ruppert called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM. The chairman called the roll and a quorum was established.

Adoption of the Agenda

ON MOTION OF Kressy Krennerich, SECONDED BY Karen White, AND CARRIED, the Board voted to adopt the agenda of the meeting of the LA Uniform Local Sales Tax Board held September 24, 2020.

Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of the LA Uniform Local Sales Tax Board Held (Date)

ON MOTION OF Karen White, SECONDED BY Jeff LaGrange, AND CARRIED, the Board voted to approve the Minutes of the meeting of the LA Uniform Local Sales Tax Board held Thursday, July 9, 2020.

Remote Seller Commission Update

Jeffery LaGrange provided an update on the Remote Sellers Commission and introduced the Renee Roberie, Executive Director of the Remote Sellers Commission.

HR 31 Study Group Update

Andrew Kolb provided an update on the HR 31 Centralized Sales & Use Tax Administration Study Group. Next meeting of the group is scheduled for Friday, September 25, 2020.

Board Member Requests

There were no board member requests presented at the meeting.

Technology Report

Rick Mekdessie provided a technology report concerning the Look Up System.

Executive Director's Report

J. Roger Bergeron provided his Executive Director's report, which included the status of the board funding agreements received from the parish sales and use tax offices, the status of the Multiparish refund Program and an update on the revisions to Advisory 20-003 Assessment of Audit Costs.

ON MOTION OF Kressy Krennerich, SECONDED BY Jeffery LaGrange, AND CARRIED, the Board voted to add the review of PPM Request for Board Tax Advisories to the agenda of the next meeting.

Financial Reports

The board received the financial statements, year to date budget and bill payments as of August 31, 2020 along with correspondence from the Legislative Auditor's Office regarding the financial reporting requirements for fiscal year 2019-2020.

ON MOTION OF Karen White, SECONDED BY Jeffery LaGrange, AND CARRIED, the Board voted to accept the financial reports as of August 31, 2020 in the record.

Other Business

ON MOTION OF Chairman Ruppert, SECONDED BY acclamation, the Board voted to elect Neshelle Nogess to serve as Secretary to complete the unexpired term through December 31, 2020.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:46 pm.