

Louisiana State Oil & Gas Museum
Governing Board Meeting
April 11, 2013

President Todd Hopkins was not present, so the meeting was called to order by Greg Hall. Other board members present were Judy Sneed and Leone Fitzgerald. Absent were Joe Sepulvado, Jane Maddox, Harry King, Jack Shuey, Diana Chance, Andy Shehee, and Chris John. Also present at the meeting were Coe Haygood, Mary Durusau from the Secretary of State's Office, Florent Hardy with the State Archives, as well as Friends board members Marty Wooldridge, Pam Boddie, Tommy Paul, Billie Van Hoose, and Patsy Hartzo.

A motion was made by Billie Vic to approve the minutes from the previous board meeting. Motion seconded by Pam and minutes were approved.

Mary Durusau reported that will we know the final budget and its cuts on June 8th. The budget for museums is expected to be cut by \$200K. The museum is getting 3 new AC units.

After some discussion about the proposed lease revision with the town regarding the land around the museum, the matter was table. The board still has a lot of questions before we would enter into an agreement and we have not heard from the mayor lately.

Coe reported that our visitor numbers are down. In the first quarter of the year, we had 392. Last year, in the first quarter, we had 713 visitors. Coe partly attributes this to us hosting no major functions at the museum this year. May 18th is Gusher Day and the museum will be open on that Saturday.

We briefly discussed getting a permanent sign for the museum that is more visible than the banners we currently have. Coe is going to check into signs and pricing.

Tommy Paul made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Pam Boddie, and the meeting was adjourned.