

Monthly Meeting
May 8th, 2025
SoLAcc- Ville Platte Campus

MINUTES OF MAY 8, 2025

Call to Order Chairman, Opal Andrus
Roll Call Secretary, Raquel Manuel

Present: Michael Anderson, Opal Andrus, Brain Ardoin, Eugene Burge, Liz Chatelain,
Eric Fontenot, Raquel Manuel, Krista Vidrine, Joey West
Absent: Maggie Eades, Jason Fontenot

1. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion by Eric Fontenot and Seconded by Liz Chatelain, unanimously approved.
3. Industry Presentation
 - a. Dr. Tojo Ward- Chairman Evangeline Parish IDB
4. Executive Committee Report: Secretary Liz Chatelain
5. Finance Committee Report: Eric Fontenot
 - a. Follow up with CPAs for extended RFP deadline
6. Communications Committee Report- Opal Andrus
 - a. A draft RFP has been submitted by the committee for evaluation and revision.
 - b. Draft Strategic Mission, vision, objectives were submitted for evaluation and revision.
7. Continuing Business
 - a. Update from Police Jury on Solar Projects and mileage
 - i. AES project has been put on hold until further notice
 - b. Update on UL Strategic Planning and DRA proposal structure, data needs, and timelines for submission
 - i. Awaiting feedback, delayed due to the conclusion of the semester
8. New Business
 - a. No New business
9. Public Comments
 - a. New Turkey Creek Power Company
 - i. Newly formed company which will be located between Turkey Creek and Bayou Chicot.
 - b. Establishing the goals of the EEDA; striving to establish new development opportunities and projects within the parish for existing and potential businesses.

Adjournment

Moved by Eugene Burge and Seconded by Liz Chatelain. Unanimously approved.