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Evangeline Economic Development Authority

Monthly Meeting

6:00 pm

October 9th, 2025

Solacc- Ville Platte Campus

Agenda

Call to Order

Chairman, Opal Andrus

Roll Call

Secretary, Raquel Manuel

Present: Opal Andrus, Liz Chatelain, Eric Fontenot, Raquel Manuel, Gene Burge, Mike Anderson, Joey West.

Absent: Maggie Eades, Krista Vidrine, Jason Fontenot

1. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion made by Liz, second by Gene, unanimously approved
3. Industry Presentation
 - a. Southeastern Wind Coalition, Cordelio Power, CPEX
4. Executive Committee Report: Vice Chair Liz Chatelain
5. Finance Committee Report: Eric Fontenot
 - a. Tax status established, letter from IRS in transit.
6. Communications Committee Report- Maggie Eades
7. Continuing Business
 - a. Update on Submitted DRA Grant, the EEDA was invited to reapply for the January-March Application period. Has received feedback from the DRA and our partners.
 - b. Update on Voices of Ville Platte
 - i. A strategic planning working lunch administered by Southern Ag via DRA Grant Funding. Brian recommended inquiring on the amount of the grant and other programs in our parish.
 - c. State Funding Resource Identification
8. New Business
 - a. Establish a Grants Committee to Identify Additional Funding Opportunities
 - b. New Grant Opportunities
 - c. Establish Short-Term Organizational Strategic Goals for 2026



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9. Executive Session

10. Adjournment Motion made by Liz Chatelain, seconded by Gene Burge.

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