

Government Affairs Committee Meeting Notes

February 21, 2019

Committee members present: Jeremy DeBlieux, Brian Furness, Kim Rosenberg Committee members absent: David Bilbe, Brittany McGovern, Christian Pendleton

Guests present: Emily Remington

Meeting was called to order at 3:07pm.

Rosenberg moved to amend the agenda to add approval of the January 2019 meeting notes. Furness seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. Rosenberg moved to approve the January 2019 meeting notes. Furness seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Members reviewed a white paper prepared by Rosenberg. DeBlieux recommended that a bullet be added to include FQMD's mission statement; members agreed that all appointing agencies be listed.

DeBlieux thanked Rosenberg and Furness for their efforts in getting legislation for the FQMD's sunset extension. Rosenberg informed the Committee that the bill cannot be introduced until the session opens on April 5.

DeBlieux recommended a path of communication between other FQMD committees and the Government Affairs committee. Furness suggested that Rep. Duplessis and Sen. Bishop be invited to attend an FQMD Board meeting; Rosenberg suggested the March 11 meeting.

Rosenberg moved to amend the agenda to discuss old business: proposed potential gun legislation from the last meeting. Furness seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Rosenberg produced documents indicating that the French Quarter is New Orleans Jazz National Historic Park and a National Historic Landmark. Members discussed the potential of enhanced penalties for the illegal carrying of a firearm within so many feet of such. Members discussed whether proposed legislation should be at the City or state level. DeBlieux asked to run the idea by Councilmember Palmer and then, if appropriate, Lt. Governor Nungesser.

Meeting adjourned by acclamation at 3:27pm.