A meeting of the Stone Mountain Memorial Association was held at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at Evergreen Conference Center, Stone Mountain Park, and Stone Mountain, Georgia.

ASSOCIATION MEMBERS PRESENT
Carolyn Meadows, Chairman
Greer Johnson, Vice Chairman
Dick Childers
Joan Thomas
Roy Roberts
Scott Johnson
Ray S. Smith, III
Becky Kelley, Director of State Parks & Historic Sites

ASSOCIATION MEMBERS ABSENT
Perry Tindol

OTHERS PRESENT
Bill Stephens, C.E.O.
Bob Cowhig, Director of Planning and Development
Michael Dombrowski, General Manager, Silver Dollar City/Stone Mountain Park
Edna Zimmerman, Director of Finance
Debbie Blihovde, Benefits Administrator
Chief Chuck Kelley, Director of Public Safety
Duane Studdard, Administration Manager
Mike Lee, Assistant Chief of Police & Fire
James Tsismanakis, Executive Director & CEO, DCVB
Linda Keeling, DPS Communications Foreperson
Mike Carney, DPS Police Sergeant
Shawn Armstrong, DPS Police Corporal
David Hill, DPS Police Lieutenant
Josh Malcom, DPS Police Officer
Steve Wells, DPS Firefighter/EMT
Felicia Cook, Administrative Assistant
Barry Brantley, Public

CALL TO ORDER
Ms. Meadows, Chairman, called the meeting to order and stated that a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Thomas, and unanimously approved to waive the reading of the minutes of the March 21, 2017 Board meeting and to adopt the minutes as printed. A draft copy of the minutes was sent to each Board Member prior to the meeting.
PUBLIC COMMENT

None

SILVER DOLLAR CITY/STONE MOUNTAIN PARK REPORT

Mr. Dombrowski updated the board on Spring Break and Easter. During Spring Break, SDC had a couple of days they had to close because of the rain. They had a great weekend after Spring Break and they had a record weekend for Easter.

Mr. Dombrowski updated the Board on festivals and events in the Park. For Spring and Summer, they have Mustangs at the Mountain, Wounded Warrior Project Ride, Memorial Day Weekend, Father’s Day Car Show, the Fourth of July and Labor Day Weekend Celebration planned. For the Fall, they have the Annual Yellow Daisy Festival, Pumpkin Festival, Tour of Southern Ghosts, Eggtoberfest, the Annual Highland Games, Country Living Fair and the Native American Festival and Pow Wow planned.

FINANCE REPORT – YEAR TO DATE

Ms. Zimmerman reported that year-to-date revenues through March 31, 2017 were $2,618,542 compared to a budgeted amount of $2,606,200. Total operating expenses year to date were $1,515,395 compared to the budgeted amount of $2,050,878. The net operating profit before depreciation was $1,114,553 compared to a budgeted amount of $561,322. The year to date deficiency of revenue over expenses was $366,296 compared to a budgeted loss of $863,678.

The statement of cash flows reflects net cash provided by operating activities of $1,692,541 year to date. The net increase in cash year to date was $1,590,709. The cash and investment balance at the end of the period was $13,390,004.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief Kelley told the Board that on March 24th there was a 62-year-old male who was walking on the Cherokee Trail and collapsed. A services employee called the police and they responded. He explained how the Public Safety team responded and administered CPR and shocked the guest with a defibrillator. He was then transported to Grady Memorial Hospital and he survived. The SPD has an out of hospital cardiac arrest save rate of 71%. The national average is 10%.

Chief Kelley informed the Board that attendance for the Easter Sunrise Service was up this year. There continues to be an increase in attendance in the natural district area.

CONSIDERATION OF REVISED BOARD BY-LAWS

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Thomas, and unanimously approved to adopt the Revised Board By-Laws. Ms. Meadows thanked Mr. Stephens and his team for the great job they did on the By-Laws.
NEW BUSINESS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

___________________________
Carolyn Meadows, Chairman

Submitted by Debbie Blihvde