

PCHS Board Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2025

The agenda below was followed:

Call to order - Welcome and Mission Statement. President Jeanne James called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and she referred everyone to look at the Mission Statement which was displayed.

Roll Call: Since Secretary Paula Lambert was absent, Mindy LaCour called the roll.

Present:

Jeanne James, Greg LaCour, Joseph H. Cotten Jr., Rose O'Rear, David James, Hosea Doucet, and Mindy LaCour

Absent:

Fr. Pike Thomas, Melissa Smith, Paula Lambert, Peter Alongia, Hosea Doucet, and Carlyn Morales, and Michelle Rabalais

Guests:

Jeanne James brought PCHS members, Melissa and C.D. Romero to the meeting.

Accept minutes from April 2025 meeting: Jodie Cotton made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 2025 meeting. Greg LaCour seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's report: Joseph H. Cotten, Jr;
Mindy LaCour January P&L**

Joseph H. Cotten, Jr. reported the following information on the PCHS accounts:

Balances as of May 15, 2025:

- Building Fund: \$30,027.91
- Business Fund: \$86,093.68
- 7-month CD: \$110,074 will rollover in June, will leave it in.
- 7-month CD: \$100,353.00 (anonymous donor money)
- S/A: \$52,430

David James made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Hosea Douce seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mindy LaCour presented the January 2025 Profit & Loss Statement which showed a net operating balance of \$6,894.00 for the month of April 2025.



New Business

Executive Director's report

- Working on the Ag exhibit on 3rd floor, table for Moby should be done at the end of the month. Trying to finish by the end of June. Will order overhead spot lights next.
- GPS Travel Story, turned in our final updates, waiting on response
- Blinds changed in museum room, ordered different size for 3rd floor.
- LA Trust for Historic Preservation Conference very informative; sessions on 1927 flood, National Register workshop, developing and updating design guidelines for local historic districts.
- Waiting on an estimate for the AC unit in the ballroom which will include a lift rental price.
- Attended rural Byways Conference in Arnaudville.

- Backup plan for when I am out of town this summer? Can offer a weekly rate and an hourly rate if they are called on.

Up Coming Events:

- May 19: Art intake for Treasures
- May 30: Treasures Reception 6:00

New Business:

- Bofinger proposals for Jane Pittman Oak and Oak tree on the Poydras Center driveway. Discussion was held and David James will ask Bofinger for a donation and discount. Money donated has been set aside to take care of the Jane Pittman Oak.
- Guest brought up having a Plein Aire event at The Poydras Center and titled it "Paint Pointe Coupee". ED will bring it up with the Arts Council to see if we can do this together.

Old Business:

- Jane Pittman Oak update; Greg gave the board another option to displaying the sign embedded in brick to further protect the sign from vandals. He will draw it up and it will be shared with the donors.
- Historical Marker for First Free woman of Color in New Roads; Michelle Rabalais did the research and sent it to Greg LaCour who put it together on the forms and submitted it to LSU. We will know in a few months if it will be accepted.

Motion to adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 6:58.