

State Parks, Recreation and Travel Commission
Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism, 1 Capitol Mall, Little Rock, AR
December 27, 2018 - Teleconference

Commissioners Present

Jim Shamburger, Chair	Danny Ford
Kalene Griffith, Vice Chair	Eric Jackson
Austin Albers	Bob Knight
Bill Barnes	Weston Lewey
Jeff Baskin	Cindy Smith
John Gill	Mike Wilson
Ron Gossage	Randy Wolfinbarger

Commissioners Absent

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Department Staff Present

Kane Webb, Executive Director
Cynthia Dunlap, Chief Fiscal Officer
Kathy Zakrzewski, Administrative Specialist II
Kris Richardson, ADPT Executive Assistant

Call to Order

Jim Shamburger called the meeting to order at 10:02 am. Kathy Zakrzewski called roll and confirmed a quorum.

Chair and Vice Chair as it Relates to ADPT Transformation

Kane Webb thanked the State Parks, Recreation and Travel Commission for their support and dedicated service to him and the agency during his time at ADPT, noting it has been an honor to work with such great industry leaders.

Kane Webb advised with the upcoming Legislative Session and Transformation Plan, 2019 will be a busy and complicated session and year for the agency. Webb advised that he has reviewed a draft of the Transformation bill for the proposed Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism recently and noted some revisions are in order but that overall the bill looks good. With that said, Webb proposed to delay the rotation of the Chair and Vice Chair positions, held respectively by Jim Shamburger and Kalene Griffith, until January 2020, to offer assistance with the Legislative Session and Transformation Plan. Jim Shamburger lives one hour

away, whereas Kalene Griffith lives three hours away, making it more challenging for Griffith to be accessible when needed, a simple matter of geography. Discussion ensued. Jim Shamburger agreed that he would be willing to serve as chair for an additional year and would like to do what is best for the agency and industry. Kalene Griffith agreed that Shamburger has more history on the SPRTC and geographically closer and suggested he would be perfect fit for the Transformation period.

Weston Lewey moved to delay the rotation of the Chair and Vice Chair positions of the State Parks, Recreation and Travel Commission, held respectively by Jim Shamburger and Kalene Griffith, until January 2020. Austin Albers seconded and the motion carried with no dissent.

Discussion ensued regarding the Transformation Plan and expectations of how it could affect the agency. Kane Webb advised that ADPT staff will monitor the situation closely and will track the Transformation Bill, along with any additional bills that could possibly affect ADPT regarding Transformation or otherwise.

Adjourn

The State Parks, Recreation and Travel Commission teleconference meeting was adjourned at 10:31 am on December 27, 2018, at the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism in Little Rock, AR.