#### Executive Committee Meeting Wednesday, September 9, 2015 8:00am - 9:30am Location: Visit Santa Barbara

### AGENDA

Speaker: Craig Trames, Corragio Group - Organizational Structure Recommendations

#### **Action Items**

1.	Call to Order	Gwen Stauffer
2.	Antitrust Compliance	Gwen Stauffer
3.	Public Comment	Members of the Public
4.	Approval of Agenda	Gwen Stauffer
5.	Approval of Minutes of July 9, 2015 Meeting	Gwen Stauffer
6.	Approval of Recommendations from Corragio Group	Gwen Stauffer
7.	Approval of June 2015 VSB Financial Reports	Richard Nahas
8.	Approval of June 2015 TBID Financial Reports	Richard Nahas
9.	Approval of July 2015 VSB Financial Reports	Richard Nahas
10.	Approval of July 2015 TBID Financial Reports	Richard Nahas

#### **Discussion Items**

11.	ESTO Awards	Kathy Janega-Dykes	
12.	Travel Outlook	Kathy Janega-Dykes	
13.	TBID Updates	Tom Patton	
14.	Upcoming Events	Kathy Janega-Dykes	
	New Member Orientation	September 10	
	• I am Santa Barbara	September 30	
	• Epicure.sb	October 1 - 31	
11.	Staff Reports	(on file)	
12.	President's Report	Kathy Janega-Dykes	
13.	Other Business		

14. Adjourn

#### Next Board Meeting: THURSDAY 9/17 at 8:30am

#### Next EC Meeting: THURSDAY 10/8 at 8:00am

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- B. Changes or proposed changes in the prices or rates of hotel or motel rooms, food and beverage, transportation, sightseeing, or other services offered to customers of the hotel and motel industry;
- C. Formulas, procedures, or means for the establishment and determination of prices, rates, discounts, terms, and conditions or rental;
- D. Plans of individual members covering increases or reductions in capacity or distribution or marketing of particular products or services.
- E. Restrictions on legal advertising or promotional activities.
- *F.* Matters relating to actual or potential suppliers or customers that might have the effect of excluding them from any market or of influencing others not to deal with them.

#### Meeting Minutes FY 2015/2016 Executive Committee Wednesday, September 9, 2015

Attendees:	Gwen Stauffer, Richard Yates, Richard Nahas, Tom Patton
Absent:	Matthew La Vine, Michael Cohen, Paul Hoyle
Staff:	Kathy Janega-Dykes, Janet Ames, Lynda Dees
Location:	Visit Santa Barbara Office, 500 E. Montecito St., Santa Barbara, CA 93103

#### Guest Speaker: Craig Trames, Corragio Group – Organizational Structure Recommendations

Craig presented his research and findings from his one-on-one interviews with VSB staff to understand the needs and wants of the organization regarding organizational structure. He identified four themes from his interviews: Operational Effectiveness, Integration, Building on Success and Learning and Personal Growth. He reviewed each theme and his recommendations, and discusses his overall organizational structure recommendations including hiring and restructuring a few key positions.

#### 1. Call to Order

Gwen Stauffer called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 8:50 a.m.

#### **2.** Antitrust Compliance It is the policy of Visit Santa Barbara to fully comply with the antitrust laws of the United States.

3. Public Comment

No public comment.

#### 4. Approval of Agenda

Tom Patton moved to approve the agenda of the September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Executive Committee meeting with the addition of the approval of Corragio's recommendations to Action Item #6; Richard Yates seconded; and the motion was passed unanimously.

#### 5. Approval of Minutes of the July 9, 2015 Executive Committee meeting

Richard Yates moved to approve the minutes of the July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Executive Committee; Tom Patton seconded; and the motion was passed unanimously.

#### 6. Approval of Recommendations from Corragio Group

Tom Patton moved to approve the Organizational Structure Recommendations presented by the Corragio Group; Richard Nahas seconded; and the motion was passed unanimously.

#### 7. Approval of June 2015 VSB Financial Reports

Richard Nahas reported that year end VSB net income was over budget due to employee costs/operations. Consistent with the last few months, salaries reflected a savings. Program expenses fluctuated.

Richard Yates moved to approve the June 2015 TBID financials; Richard Nahas seconded; and the motion was passed unanimously.

#### 8. Approval of June 2015 TBID Financial Reports

Richard Nahas reported that the TBID revenue income was also over budget, but programs were on target for the year. Bottom line was over budget due to savings in the contingency funds.

Richard Yates moved to approve the June 2015 VSB financials; Richard Nahas seconded; and the motion was passed unanimously.

#### 9. Approval of July 2015 VSB Financial Reports

Richard Nahas has no variances to report as this is the first month of the budget.

Tom Patton moved to approve the July 2015 TBID financials; Richard Nahas seconded; and the motion was passed unanimously.

#### 10. Approval of July 2015 TBID Financial Reports

Richard Nahas has no variances to report as this is the first month of the budget. Mentioned that program expense lines needed to be reconciled.

Tom Patton moved to approve the July 2015 TBID financials; Richard Nahas seconded; and the motion was passed unanimously.

#### 11. ESTO Awards

Kathy spoke to the group about two major awards VSB recently won at the US Travel ESTO Conference. These were for the Brighten Your Day campaign and VSB was awarded Best Branding & Integrated Marketing Campaign and Best Social Media Campaign.

#### 12. Travel Outlook

Kathy spoke to the group about the upcoming Travel Outlook program which has been tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. She discussed the format and potential guest speakers.

#### 13. TBID Updates

No update.

#### 14. Upcoming Events –

New Member Orientation	September 10
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#### **15. Staff Reports (on file)**

#### **16. President's Report**

Kathy updated the committee on the I Shine campaign launch at two events in SF and Sausalito over the weekend. She also spoke about the US China event she is attending this week and the dinner VSB is co-sponsoring which should bring good exposure to Santa Barbara.

#### 17. Other Business

No other business.

#### 18. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Minutes approved by:

Richard Yates, Secretary Visit Santa Barbara Date