

**A MEETING OF THE FINANCE/INVESTMENT COMMITTEE
OF THE LIVING WELL FOUNDATION
ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2018, AT 7:30 A.M.
AT THE WMWO CHAMBER OFFICE,
112 PROFESSIONAL DRIVE
WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA 71291**

MINUTES

Members Present:

Jim Allbritton
Courtney Hornsby
Dave N. Norris, Jr.
Dr. John Shepard

Staff Present:

Alice M. Proffit, President/CEO
Janet Rutledge, Executive Assistant,
Secretary/Treasurer

Others Present:

Lucius McGehee, Jr., Argent Financial Group
Oren Welborn, Argent Financial Group
Beck Hanes, Argent Financial Group

Members Absent:

A. Whitfield "Whitty" Hood, Jr., Vice Chair

Dr. John Shepard, acting in place of Vice Chair, Whitty Hood, called the meeting to order, and the presence of a quorum was verified.

Minutes – The minutes from the July 26, 2017, meeting were reviewed. There being no changes, upon motion by Jim Allbritton, seconded by Courtney Hornsby, the minutes were unanimously approved by all members then present (3-0).

At this time, Dave N. Norris, Jr., entered the meeting.

December 2017 Financial Statements – The December 2017 financial statements, with the Argent statement, were presented. The year ended with an improvement of \$194,930 in net asset value from the previous year. It was noted that investment income was improved for the year, and would continue to improve upon the reinvestment of cash from the five notes and bonds that are maturing in 2018. Unrealized losses were slightly increased in December. The amount of the amortization of premiums paid at the time of the purchase of certain investments is now at a much reduced amount on the few remaining holdings previously bought at a premium. Administrative expenses for 2017 were slightly under 2016.

After discussion, upon motion by Dr. John Shepard, seconded by Courtney Hornsby, the December 2017 financial statements were unanimously approved (4-0). This item will be presented to the Board of Directors, and thereafter to the HSD #1 Board of Commissioners for their quarterly review.

2nd and Final Amendment to the 2017 Budget – With final adjustments made to the 2017 Budget based on the December financials, the 2nd and Final Amendment to the 2017 Budget was presented and then recommended for approval. Upon motion by Jim Allbritton, seconded by Courtney Hornsby, the recommendation was unanimously approved (4-0). This item will be presented to the Board, and thereafter to the HSD #1 Board of Commissioners.

Review and Update of Investment Portfolio by Argent Financial Management –

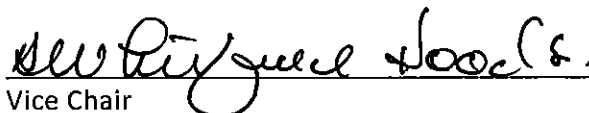
Items regarding the Investment Portfolio: It was noted that, as part of the presentation of materials, items requiring an approval would be voted upon within the discussion.

Portfolio Update – Lucius McGehee and Oren Welborn of Argent Financial Group provided an update on the portfolio performance. It was noted that the average maturity of the notes and bonds held in the portfolio was 3.98 years with a duration of 3.81, and when including cash held, the overall duration was 3.62. The performance on notes and bonds was exceeding the benchmark over the last year. The yield to maturity was now 2.27%, with current yield of 1.81%. Cash was now earning 1.06% and trending upwards based on overnight rates. As the 2018 notes and bonds mature, the short-term strategy would be to invest in notes with a maturity of 1 to 1.5 years which should likely be earning over 2% soon, and thereafter reinvest in higher rates upon maturity. These steps will minimize incremental unrealized losses to the portfolio. It was also noted that an interest rate increase by the Federal Reserve in March is likely and that the cash reserves had acted as an anchor against the volatility of the market. Oren Welborn also provided an economic update as it relates to the performance of the investments. This portfolio update will be provided to all Board members.

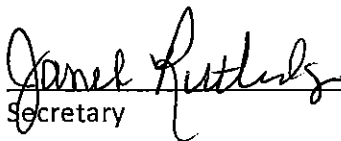
Annual Review of the Investment Policy – After review by the President/CEO and the Vice Chair, with input from Argent, it was recommended that there be no changes or updates to the Investment Policy at the current time. After discussion, upon motion by Dave N. Norris, Jr., seconded by Courtney Hornsby, the recommendation was unanimously approved (4-0). This item will be presented to the Board.

Other Comments or Discussion – The Foundation has recently received notice of and invitation to an event at Richwood High School, which will be hosting State Education Superintendent John White and OPSB Superintendent Don Coker at the Richwood Health Care Curriculum Center on Thursday, February 1, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. This Center was created in part from funding from the OPPJ and the Living Well Foundation, which made a large contribution in 2012 as fulfillment of the obligation under the Coordination Agreement. No actions were necessary.

There being no other activities, and no Committee members or members of the public wished to make any further comments, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.



Vice Chair



Secretary