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7	MEETING MINUTES FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
8	OF THE
9	LOUISIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
10	HELD AT
11	LASALLE BUILDING, LABELLE BOARD ROOM, 1ST FLOOR
12	617 NORTH 3RD STREET
13	BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA
14	ON THE 24TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017
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1	Appearances of Board Members Present:
2	Alden Andre Will Campbell
3	Natin Kamath Susan Tham
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5	Staff members present:
6	Steven Baham Stanley Bienemy
7	Bob Cangelossi Frank Favaloro
8	Brenda Guess Molly Hendricks
9	Shamelda Pete Errol Smith
10	Melissa Sorrell
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1	MR.	THAM:
2		Call to order the LEDC Finance Committee
3	meeting.	
4		Can I get a rollcall, please?
5	Ms.	SORRELL:
6		A.J. Roy.
7	(No	response.)
8	MS.	SORRELL:
9		Alden Andre.
10	MR.	ANDRE:
11		Here.
12	MS.	SORRELL:
13		Louis Reine.
14	(No	response.)
15	MS.	SORRELL:
16		Susan Tham.
17	MS.	THAM:
18		Here.
19	MS.	SORRELL:
20		Mandi Mitchell.
21	MS.	MITCHELL:
22		Here.
23	MS.	SORRELL:
24		Cal Simpson.
25	MR.	SIMPSON:



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1		Here.
2	MS.	SORRELL:
3		Natin Kamath.
4	MR.	KAMATH:
5		Here.
6	MS.	SORRELL:
7		Will Campbell.
8	(No	response.)
9	MS.	SORRELL:
10		We have a quorum.
11		I'm sorry. I called the wrong roll.
12	MS.	THAM:
13		Excuse me?
14	MS.	SORRELL:
15		I called the wrong roll, but we do have
16	a quorum.	
17	MS.	THAM:
18		Okay. Well, let's get started then. If
19	you haven't sile	enced your cell phones, please do.
20		I believe today we have a report from
21	the Legislative	Auditor.
22		Aaron Daigle, are you here?
23		I understand you have a report to relay
24	to us, your audi	itor's report, your report of internal
25	control. We'd	love a nice overview of the financial



1	statements.
2	MR. DAIGLE:
3	Okay. Good morning. So my name is
4	Aaron Daigle. I represent the legislative audit, and I
5	was the senior auditor in charge of LED's audit this
6	year.
7	So we began the fieldwork in September
8	2016 and concluded our work with this auditor's report
9	December 2016. So during the audit, we looked at the
10	basic financial statements and also related those to
11	those financial statements, and we did this with the
12	purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether they were
13	presented fairly in accordance with GAP
14	We also looked at internal controls and
15	performed testing controls and performed testing
16	controls over certain business processes, and then we
17	issued a report as well on HR internal controls. And as
18	far as that report goes, we didn't find any
19	deficiencies
20	MS. THAM:
21	Wonderful.
22	MR. DAIGLE:
23	with internal controls.
24	As far as the financial statement audit
25	for 2016, we issued an unmodified opinion, which is a



1	clean opinion, and we did not have any reportable
2	findings.
3	MS. THAM:
4	Great. Congratulations to the staff on
5	their financial reporting and on their compliance work.
6	Would you like to give us an overview of
7	the financial statements and bring out anything you feel
8	is important for us to see?
9	MR. DAIGLE:
10	Okay. Sure. With regard to the
11	financials, I guess what I can say is that we audited
12	the financials, we audited the related notes as well.
13	And what we did was we determined that there were no
14	we determined that there were no we determined that
15	everything was fairly presented and that there were no
16	findings. And internal controls, there were no
17	deficiencies of note.
18	So there's, I guess, in relation to the
19	actual audit, the actual financial statements, if you're
20	asking about a specific account balance or classic
21	transaction, I would defer to the accountants that
22	compiled those financial accountants that compiled those
23	financials.



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Okay. Here, I guess what I'm going to

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1	the financials and the internal controls.
2	MS. THAM:
3	All right. So, I guess, our other
4	questions you know, does anyone have any questions
5	about either report, the findings? No?
6	(No response.)
7	MS. THAM:
8	Great. I guess a couple of things that
9	we might want to look at, you know, there was a prior
LO	change; right, and it didn't look like that was anything
11	significant, probably a timing issue from the transfer
12	from LED?
13	MR. DAIGLE:
<b>14</b>	Are you talking about the
15	MS. THAM:
16	The restatement.
<b>L7</b>	MR. DAIGLE:
18	the 81,000?
19	MS. THAM:
20	Right.
21	MR. DAIGLE:
22	Yes. That was
23	MS. THAM:
24	I think that was for the board, I
25	think it's on Page



1	MR. DAIGLE:
2	We reclassed those SEDB program payments
3	to operating expenses.
4	MS. THAM:
5	So not a major change?
6	MR. DAIGLE:
7	They should have been reported in 2016.
8	MS. THAM:
9	Reclassification, timing issue?
10	MR. DAIGLE:
11	Well, they were not reported in 2016 and
12	they should have been reported as an adjustment in the
13	prior period, so they reclassed it appropriations from
14	Capital Outlay fund.
15	MS. THAM:
16	Okay. Thank you. That clarifies that.
17	Did anyone have any questions about
18	anything in the notes of the financial statements?
19	(No response.)
20	MS. THAM:
21	I have a couple of questions, but I
22	think they're probably better geared toward Anne Villa.
23	Did you review at all and you may not
24	have done it. It may have been someone else's part of
25	the work the accruals for possible losses on the loan



1	guarantees? Since we're going to be talking about that
2	next meeting, I was interested in knowing about the loan
3	guarantee and how the approval from loss was done, or is
4	the something we'd be better off asking Anne Villa
5	MR. DAIGLE:
6	Yeah. I believe you'd be better off
7	asking her how
8	MS. THAM:
9	Okay. We can certainly do that.
10	If there are no other questions about
11	the report, do we move on to the Chaffe report?
12	Anybody have any questions?
13	(No response.)
14	MS. THAM:
15	Do we need to take a vote on this report
16	accepting the auditor's report?
17	MS. GUESS:
18	If you want to accept it in globo after
19	both of them or you can do each one of them.
20	MS. THAM:
21	Okay. We'll wait since they're hand in
22	hand.
23	Thank you. We're so glad to hear that
24	the opinion was unqualified and that you didn't find
25	deficiencies. And that's all good news.



1	A big component of what goes into your
2	report, of course, is the valuations of some of the
3	hard-to-value items, and I believe that was provided by
4	Chaffe.
5	MR. DAIGLE:
6	Yeah, that's correct.
7	MS. THAM:
8	Do we have someone here from Chaffe? We
9	have Marc Kinsentory (sic). Am I close?
10	MR. KATSANIS:
11	Katsanis.
12	MS. THAM:
13	Katsanis. No, I wasn't close.
14	All right. Would you like to give us an
15	overview of your report? You know, for us, that's a
16	difficult area. It is for everybody, apparently,
17	because you have four different designations behind your
18	name, but those valuations are an important part of the
19	financial statements, so if you would like to come up
20	and just give us a review of those, we'd appreciate it.
21	MR. KATSANIS:
22	Absolutely.
23	MS. THAM:
24	For the committee, that report starts
25	on you have a hard copy. Thank you.



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So we're looking at the Exhibit 1, which lists all of the investment companies, Venture Capital and gives your valuation.

Would you like to go over it to help us understand that a little bit?

#### MR. KATSANIS:

Sure. Absolutely. I guess first I'll say thanks to LED staff for being extremely helpful in making my work easy.

here, there are, I guess, really two categories of investments. First category is really investment fund, and then below it there are some individual company equity investments that were made through various matching programs. I'll just bring you -- I'll start at the top, The Aurora Ventures is a venture fund. We performed a valuation. I guess if you go across and see our valuation from 2015, Aurora made some distributions of capital, like sale of investments of 270,000. There was a little bit of a market appreciation. In 2016 -- you want me to run across the whole chart or...

#### MS. THAM:

I think we see what you're going to try to show on each one of those, and I know it's very difficult to value these. And I know that you also



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value both the carrying value and the fair value. The fair value is used in this to determine gain or loss; is that right?

#### MR. KATSANIS:

That's correct, yes.

#### MS. THAM:

Can you give us -- I know your folks have done this before, but give us, you know, the breakdown between the cost, which, of course, is what we put into it, and then the fair value and carrying value.

#### MR. KATSANIS:

Sure. The fair value is really the estimate of what it's worth today or as of the fiscal year end. The carrying value is a little more of a confusing definition, but it's more an accounting definition whereby when you first buy it, your carrying value and your cost is the same. If subsequently the value goes down, then you would, for accounting purposes, take a loss, then your carrying value would go down with that loss. However, if year three, it goes back up, the fair market value would increase, however, that carrying value would stay at this lower -- at the lowest it's ever been. You can market down, but you can't market back up.

MS. THAM:



1	Okay. Well, that's helpful because some
2	of them have a large difference on here. You have the
3	total fair market value, and that also includes
4	discounts for marketability, discounts for lack of
5	control; right?
6	MR. KATSANIS:
7	There are some discounts for lack of
8	control, that's correct.
9	MS. THAM:
10	Did you have any for lack of
11	marketability?
12	MR. KATSANIS:
13	I have historically not applied any
14	marketability to these.
15	MS. THAM:
16	It didn't seem that relevant to me,
17	that's why I asked if the values might be marked down
18	for that.
19	MR. KATSANIS:
20	Sure.
21	I take that back. On the operating
22	companies, those, that lack of marketability discount is
23	applied.
24	MS. THAM:
25	Does anybody have any questions about



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1	these individual funds or the valuations that Chaffe has
2	put on them?
3	(No response.)
4	MS. THAM:
5	And you can see how they're all an
6	integral part of the financial statement if you go back
7	and look at the financial statements that were done and
8	audited by the legislative auditor.
9	Are there any questions by any board
10	members for Chaffe?
11	(No response.)
12	MS. THAM:
13	Any questions from the public?
<b>14</b>	(No response.)
15	MS. THAM:
16	Does anybody want to move to accept the
<b>L7</b>	audit report complete with valuations?
18	MS. MITCHELL:
19	I move to accept the audit report and
20	valuations for the LEDC assets.
21	MS. THAM:
22	And we have a second.
23	All for, say "aye."
24	(Several members respond "aye.")
25	MS. THAM:



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1	Any against, say "nay."
2	(No response.)
3	MS. THAM:
4	Hearing no objections, we accept the
5	report, and we appreciate both you gentlemen coming in
6	and letting us know about these items.
7	MR. KATSANIS:
8	Thank you.
9	MS. THAM:
10	Thank you.
11	So getting back to the agenda, is there
12	any other business anyone has for this committee?
13	(No response.)
<b>L4</b>	MS. THAM:
15	One thing I might mention that if we are
<b>L</b> 6	going to talk about the collateral for the business
<b>L7</b>	guaranty, loan guarantees, you might look at the
18	financial statements and perhaps some of the notes about
19	the loan guarantees, kind of how to carry and where
20	we've kind of ended up with what they consider an
21	allowance. And that would be Note 9 in your financial
22	statement. Something to look at perhaps before next
23	time.
24	If there's no other business, does
25	anyone want to move to adjourn?



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1	]	MR.	SAMPSON:
2			Move.
3	]	MS.	THAM:
4			All right. Can I get a second?
5	]	MS.	MITCHELL:
6			Second.
7	]	MS.	THAM:
8			Second. We are therefore adjourned.
9	Thank you.		
10		(Mee	eting concludes at 9:49 a.m.)
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