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# FY 2020

[July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020]

# **Annual Report**





#### **OUR MEMBERS**

Every member of the Simpson County Development Foundation is essential to attaining successfully our goals for the continued betterment and advancement of our community—Simpson County. Our goals are primarily economic; however we are concerned with every element in the quality of life of our community. You, our members, have a vital role in the success of each of the Foundation's projects and programs.

This is *your* Foundation: please, let us know how we may better serve you and our Simpson County community as a whole. *Your officers and directors offer you our sincere thanks for your past—and continuing—support.* 

MUNICIPALITIES AND CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

City of Magee
City of Mendenhall
Town of Braxton
Town of D'Lo
Magee Chamber of Commerce
Mendenhall Area Chamber of Commerce

PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE
[MEMBERSHIPS \$3000+]
Mississippi Hub, LLC
Peoples Bank
Polk's Meat Products
PriorityOne Bank
Southern Pine Electric
Spire Energy
Trustmark National Bank

CIRCLE OF EXCELLENCE
[MEMBERSHIPS \$1000+]
Howard Industries
Danny Welch, Attorney at Law

















#### 2020 Annual Report



#### **OUR MEMBERS**

PATRON [MEMBERSHIP \$500] AirSouth LLC

Broadhead's Building Supplies

Cooperative Energy

Entergy

Insurance Associates

Russell Incorporated

Simpson Publishing Company

Tyson Foods, Inc.

Vowell's Marketplace

SPONSOR [MEMBERSHIP \$250]

Advance Healthcare Management, Inc.

**Barnard & Sons Construction** 

**Booth Discount Tire** 

**Boswell Regional Center** 

Butler|Snow PLLC

Colonial Chapel Funeral Home

Copiah-Lincoln Community College

Farm Bureau LLC

Hands Nursery

Jeff Boone Real Estate & Appraisal Service LLC

Landmark Surveying, LLC

Magee Family Foot Care

Magee General Hospital

MageeNews.com

Magee Rental, Inc.

McGuffee's Drugs

Mylex International

**NP Computers** 

Palmer Insurance Agency

Gene Polk's Pharmacy

Pollen Florist & More

Charles Robert Prince, CPA

RealPure Bottling, Inc.

Dr. Steven Reed

S & W Housing, LLC

Shivers Construction, LLC

Simpson County Academy

Simpson Community Healthcare (SGH)

Simpson County ReadyMix

Stubbs Law Firm PLLC

The Rowe

Wolverton Engineering

#### INDIVIDUAL [MEMBERSHIP \$35]

**Dennis Ammann** 

Whitney Baker

**Robbie Barnes** 

Julie P. Breazeale

Pat Brown

Stan L. Bulger

Christian Carrico

Chris Caughman

Donnie Caughman

Fred & Evelyn Copeland

Ian Cowart

Chris Craft

Danny Craft

Rhuel Dickinson

Allen Floyd

Witt Fortenberry

Tommy Joe Harvey

Bo Huffman

Brian & Faith Kennedy

David Keyes

Lori McAlpin

Darnell Moffett

Eddie Pope

Vicki Powell

Richard Rankin

Vera Robinson

Cemper Scott

James Smith

Price Wallace

Shannon Welch

Malory Yelverton

IN MEMORIAM Sid Davis



# The Officers and Directors *Present to*

# BRIEN HUBBARD PRESIDENT 2019 - 2020

This Recognition of
Leadership and Commitment
to the Economic and Community
Development of Simpson County.



#### PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Community. Growth. Support.

May 18, 2020

Re: Executive Committee and Directors, 2020-2023

To All Members:

As the Corona Virus has changed and challenged how we all work and live it is unfortunate for Simpson County Development Foundation being unable to hold our annual meeting. The annual meetings have served as a time for our county's employers, county business men and woman, and political leadership to gather, to network and take the pulse of our economic environment on a county, state, and national level. It reminds us that the economic environment is more than recruiting industry and creating jobs, but, at its core, how Simpson County continues to improve the quality of life to our citizens, Simpson County's access and delivery of healthcare, and most importantly our education system. All three of these core principals of Simpson County's economic environment has been challenged over the past 12 months, and more importantly our business community leaders have rose to the challenge and are affecting positive change for Simpson County.

The annual meetings have also been a time for our young professionals to begin to participate as county leaders. The future for Simpson County is to retain and recruit young professionals as they begin their careers. Keeping our young professionals engaged and excited about a career and starting a family here at HOME is essential for Simpson County's continued growth and advancement. Lastly, the annual meetings have been a time to reflect and recognize individuals who committed to putting time and resources into our county; businesses who have created jobs, chose to expand in our county, and help develop our work force through our Career Technical Center and Co-Lin; Students who demonstrate excellence in and out of the classroom and receive our scholarship through the SCDF aspire program.

Normally, we elect our officers and directors at our Annual Meeting, but under the circumstances we must divert from the norm.

Below is the nominating committee's proposed Executive Committee and Directors. If there is no opposition, they will stand elected, and begin serving immediately.

Brien B. Hubbard, President

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### Nominations Report Officers and Directors for FY 2021

Nomination Committee recommendations for new (in bold) and returning officers and board members

#### **Executive Committee:**

**Malory Yelverton** President **President Elect** Chris Carrico Secretary-Treasurer Lacye Evans **VP Government Relations** Mayor Dale Berry Mayor Todd Booth **VP Government Relations** Josh Pierce VP Economic Development **VP Community Development Beverly Barnes** VP Stakeholder Development Shannon Welch Past President Brien Hubbard

Directors:

Class of 2021 Class of 2022 Class of 2023
Chris Dunn Eric Adkins Josh Allen
Lance Hamilton Carley Hansbrough Tiffany Kinslow Amanda Blakeney Amarylis Carter
Benny Palmer Cemper Scott Jake Brown

Note: Carley Hansbrough is filling the unexpired term of Beverly Barnes who moved to VP of Community Development

#### The Simpson County Economic Development District

The Simpson County Development Foundation (SCDF) was organized in 1979 and designed to promote economic development and growth in Simpson County. A group of private citizens met and formed the organization to work to attract industry to Simpson County. In 1985, the State legislature transferred over 200 acres of land to the **Simpson County Economic Development District (SCEDD)**. The SCEDD is made up of eleven Trustees: two trustees are appointed from each of the five County Districts by that Supervisor and there is one at-large Trustee. The SCEDD is responsible for the management and maintenance of the industrial property owned by the county. A significant portion of the SCDF's operating budget comes through a service agreement with, and approved annually by, the SCEDD.

Under the Service Agreement, the Foundation is responsible for providing the services necessary in order to market Simpson County to prospective industries, giving priority to the Simpson County Industrial Parks and other properties owned by the Economic Development District. The Foundation recruits such prospective industries to establish plants, offices and any other structures necessary for the operation of such new enterprises on property owned by the Economic Development District or at any other property in Simpson County more suitable to the prospect. The working relationship enjoyed by the SCEDD and the SCDF is essential to the economic development of our Simpson County community.

SDEDD TRUSTEES District 1 Billy Craft Fountaine McNair District 2 Robert Maddox Stacy Warren District 3 Dennis Ammann• **Brian Barnard** District 4 **Robert Barnes** G. Bennett Hubbard District 5 Steven Ammann Kenneth Lewis At Large James Smith • Chairman



#### MINUTES OF THE 2019 ANNUAL MEETING

#### SIMPSON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION FORTIETH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

#### Minutes

Tuesday, April 25, 2019; 11:30 AM Boswell Regional Center

#### Invocation/Luncheon/Welcome

On Thursday, April 19, 2019, the Fortieth Annual Membership Meeting of the Simpson County Development Foundation convened at 11:30 a.m. on the campus of Boswell Regional Center. The Rev. Rudy Jackson, Chaplain, BRC, gave the invocation. Luncheon was prepared on site by Chris Williams and served buffet-style.

President Malory Yelverton extended a welcome to the annual meeting and recognized elected officials, the trustees of the Simpson County Economic Development District, and past presidents of the SCDF.

In her opening remarks, President Yelverton outlined the successes and accomplishments of the past year, and she encouraged continuing the positive developments in the economy and community of Simpson County.

#### **Recognitions and Presentations**

Executive Director Donnie Caughman recognized the visiting members of our congressional delegation and state government – Senator Cindy Hyde-Smith, Congressman Michael Guest, and Lt. Governor Tate Reeves – each of whom briefly addressed the annual meeting.

He noted the development of the Five Year Strategic Plan, and briefly outlined the goals of the plan.

Mr. Caughman then introduced the Featured Speaker, Dr. Jane Hulon, president of Copiah-Lincoln Community College. Dr. Hulon described her goals and actions for the continuing educational and economic development of the Co-Lin region.

Following Dr. Hulon's remarks, Mr. Caughman introduced Courtney Nalker, Program Coordinator for Boswell Regional Center Supported Employment, who described the value of the program as a workforce resource for the county.

President Malory Yelverton introduced three of the high school students who participated in the ASPIRE Student Career Mentoring project. Each of them briefly described the value of the program to him/her, and they encouraged the continuing of the program.

#### Ally of the Year

Copiah-Lincoln Community College – Workforce Development was named Ally of the Year. Shannon Welch presented the award to Dr. Hulon, VP Jackie Martin, Workforce Center Director Angela Berch, and Program Coordinator Kenny Goza.

#### **Simpson Leaders**

Richard Rankin recognized and presented completion certificates to 2019 Simpson Leaders Class: Amanda Blakeney, Lacye Evans, Josh Hankins, Julian Harper, Joni Johnson, Terrence Norwood, and Megan Thornton.

#### **Business Session**

I. Call to Order/President's Remarks: President Malory Yelverton called the business session to order.

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## SIMPSON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION FORTIETH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING **Minutes** -- April 25, 2019

- II. Minutes of the Last Annual Meeting and Financial Report: These were printed in the meeting program/annual report and were available for review: the minutes were approved on motion by Todd Booth, seconded by Robbie Barnes; the financial report was approved on motion by Chris Dunn, seconded by Brien Hubbard.
- III. Report of the Nominating Committee: The report of the nominating committee was presented and accepted by acclamation on motion by Robbie Barnes, seconded by Dr. Dewayne Middleton. The election results are as follows:

#### **Executive Committee 2019**

President	Brien Hubbard
President-elect	Josh Duckworth
Secretary-Treasurer	Lacye Evans
VP-Government Relations	Mayor Dale Berry
VP-Government Relations	Mayor Todd Booth
VP-Economic Development	Brandon Hubbard
VP-Community Development	Stan Bulger
VP-Stakeholder Development	Shannon Welch
Past President	Malory Yelverton

#### **Board of Directors**

Class of 2020	Class of 2021	<b>Class of 2022</b>
Leman Cockrell	Chris Dunn	Eric Adkins
Chris Craft	Lance Hamilton	<b>Beverly Barnes</b>
Witt Fortenberry	Tiffany Kinslow	Amanda Blakeney
Josh Pierce	Benny Palmer	Cemper Scott

IV. Passing of the Gavel/Adjournment: President Yelverton passed the gavel to President-Elect Brien Hubbard. President Hubbard made closing remarks, stressing the implementation of the strategic plan and the maintenance and increase of membership.

Respectfully submitted, Approved,

Richard Rankin, Recorder Malory Yelverton, President

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Your membership dues are a vitally important component of our revenue, and we strive to be good stewards of all our funds and resources as we work hard through economic and overall community development to make Simpson County an ever better place to live, work, and raise a family.

Our accountant is Charles Robert Prince, CPA, Magee, Mississippi. The Statements of Financial Position and of Activities from the FY 2019 [Ending June 30, 2019] Audit follow this page.

/s/ Lacye Evans

Lacye Evans Treasurer

#### Simpson County Development Foundation, Inc. Statement of Financial Position June 30, 2019

#### Assets:

Cash Property and Equipment, net	\$ 176,446 1,902
Total Assets	\$ 178,348
Liabilities:	
Payroll Taxes	\$ 2,045
Total Liabilities	\$ 2,045
Net Assets:	
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	\$ 176,303
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 178,348

## Simpson County Development Foundation, Inc. Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

#### **Changes in Net Assets Without Donor Restriction**

#### Revenue:

Membership Revenue	\$	41,841
Interest Revenue		580
City of Magee		5,000
City of Mendenhall		5,000
Other Municipalities		100
SCEDD		88,500
Rent		6,000
Sponsorships		1,200
Leadership Tuition Revenue		1,000
Ticket Sales		425
Total Revenue	\$	149,646
Expenses:		
Economic Development		
Website	\$	257
Publicity		5,043
Dues and Subscriptions		1,946
Events		1,026
Conferences and Seminars		1,127
Strategic Plan		5,566
Other		5,000
Total Economic Development	\$	19,965
Community Development		
Leadership Development	\$	2,083
Keep Simpson County Beautiful		760
MS Scholars		500
Youth Leadership Program		4,000
Other		523
Total Community Development	\$	7,866
Stakeholder Development	_	4
Annual Meeting	\$	1,931
Membership Expenses		1,392
Total Stakeholder Development	\$	3,323

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

# Simpson County Development Foundation, Inc. Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

SCEDD (Reimbursables)		
SCEDD Reimbursables	\$	92
Total SCEDD Reimbursables	\$	92
Government Relations		
Government Relations	\$	645
Total Government Relations	\$	645
Staff-Executive Director and Office Manager		
Salary	\$	79,192
Benefits and Bonus		1,300
Staff Payroll Taxes		6,367
Total Staff-Executive Director and Office Manager	\$	86,859
Office Operation		
Telephone	\$	2,157
Office Supplies		676
Postage		319
Vehicle Expense		1,784
Utilities		2,440
Office Equipment		910
Insurance		1,894
Board and Committee Expenses		1,274
Depreciation		2,006
Accounting Fees		3,850
Rent		6,000
Building & Ground Maintenance		450
Other		2,175
Total Office Operation	\$	25,935
Total Expenses	<u>\$</u>	144,685
Increase in Net Assets Without Donor Restriction	\$	4,961
Net Assets Without Donor Restriction at Beginning of Year	e	171,342
Net Assets Without Donor Restriction at End of Year	\$	176,303

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