

Canton, Georgia

*110 Academy Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes Draft - Draft

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

9:00 AM

Jones Building - Jones Hall

Special Called Meeting

Canton Tourism Board

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 AM.

Board Members Present:

*Dana Mallett (Chair)
Chicka Elloy
Keith Johnston
Sabrina Kaylor
Teresa Ramsey
Jamie Smith
Kirit Patel*

City Staff Present:

*Aundi Lesley – Staff Liaison
Anijah Jones
Nathan Ingram
Hannah Stringer
Lauren Johnson
Jacky Cheng*

Guest: Greg Fuson, ChandlerThinks

2. Approval of Agenda

Member Johnston moved to approve the agenda and to add item D, Tempest Proposal. Member Ramsey seconded the motion; Motion Carried.

3. Review and Approval of the Minutes

A. Canton Tourism Board Draft Minutes - 03-9-2026

Attachments: [Minutes - Canton Tourism - 3-9-2026](#)

Member Johnston moved to approve minutes; Member Elloy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. Old Business

A. Peaberry Film Festival Sponsorship Application

Member Johnston moved to approve the amount of \$6,000; Member Teresa Ramesy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. Approval of Southeastern Tourism Society expenses

Member Johnston made a motion to approve tuition for staff member Jacky Cheng for his second year of Marketing College at \$2,794 plus the \$650 annual STS dues. Member Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. Explore Canton Sponsorship Application

Member Johnston moved to approve the application for up to \$3,000, to be adopted with flexibility and adjusted as needed. The application must be legally vetted, ensuring accessibility digitally, with staff liaison involvement for exclusivity. Member Teresa Ramsey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

D. Tempest Proposal

Member Mallett moved to propose a tentative deadline of 120 days for the fee schedule of \$35,000 for the revision and modification of the Explore Canton website interface. Member Johnston seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. New Business

None

6. Financials

Deferred to the next board meeting to give time for the consultants with ChandlerThinks to present.

7. Public Input

None

8. Board Introduced Items

Deferred to the next board meeting to give time for the consultants with ChandlerThinks to present.

5. Staff Update

Staff liaison recommended that updates be deferred to the next board meeting.

6. Adjourn

Member Mallett moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 AM. Member Ramsey seconded the motion. Motion carried.