***Meeting of the Southern Rail Commission***

December 7, 2018 9:00am-12:00pm

Regions Bank located downtown in the RSA Battlehouse Tower

11 North Water

30th floor in Board room

Mobile, Alabama

Conference Phone Number: **866.740.1260**

Access Code: **3876126**

Chair Code: **6279**

**Call to Order:** *Chairman John Spain*

**Roll Call**

**Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer**

**Recognition of Special Guests and new Commissioners**

 **REGULAR BUSINESS:**

1. Approval of the minutes from the meeting of September 7, 2018
2. Legislative Affairs Update - *John Robert Smith*
3. Financial and Administrative Report- *Wiley Blankenship/Debbie Vignes*
	1. Update on States Dues-*John Spain*
4. Communications and Media Update-*Haley Blakeman and Dan Dealy*

 **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Report on Executive Committee activities - *Spain, Ross, Blankenship*
2. Update on Gulf Coast Working Group next steps - *Spain, Ross and John Robert Smith*
3. Update on station planning grants-*John Robert Smith*
4. State Reports:
	1. Louisiana:
		1. Update on New Orleans to Baton Rouge passenger rail project
	2. Mississippi:
		1. Update on the Gulf Coast funding.
	3. Alabama:
		1. Update on new commissioners
		2. City of Mobile on Gulf Coast project
		3. Montgomery – Mobile Passenger Rail Feasibility Study Phase II

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Reports from Amtrak and Rail Passengers Association (NARP)

**SUMMARY AND SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING MEETINGS**:

1. March 1, 2019 Mississippi
2. June 7, 2019 Louisiana
3. September 6, 2019 Alabama
4. December 6, 2109 Mississippi

**ADJOURNMENT**