

Quad City Civic Center Authority Minutes
Thursday, December 19, 2019

Board Members Present: Chairperson Jennifer Walker, Stacey Happ, Paul Mulcahey, Mike Haney, Larry Meeske, Randy Tweet, Jeff Nelson, J.D. Schulte, Fran Prochaska
Other Persons Present: Rocky Jones, Kevin Snodgrass, Lindsey LaFrenz, Roger Strandlund
Absent: Reggie Freeman

Introduction and Public Comment: Chairperson Walker called the meeting to Order at 12:30 p.m. Chairperson Walker next made the observation that no members of the general public were in attendance and no written comments were received subsequent to the last meeting.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Mulcahey, second by Mr. Meeske, to approve the Minutes for the Board Meeting occurring on November 21, 2019. With Chairperson Walker calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken, and it carried unanimously.

Financials: Mr. Jones presented the financial statements with commentary (handout). Motion by Mr. Mulcahey, second by Mr. Meeske, to approve the financial statements for the period ending November 30, 2019. With Chairperson Walker calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken, and it carried unanimously.

Director's Report:

Chairperson Walker explained the scheduling conflict and priority necessitating Mr. Mullen's excused absence from the meeting. Chairperson Walker invited Mr. Jones to cover the items identified by Mr. Mullen as significant to the meeting; and Mr. Jones responded with a brief verbal report of the status of past events and future activities. Mr. Meeske inquired as to whether the staff has insight on the apparent low usage of the portion of the Arena building containing the Conference Center. Mr. Jones' answer to the inquiry focused on the fact that management has been satisfied with the present pace of booking efforts. In addition, Mr. Jones included his view that historically the present season indicates low usage of the Conference Center relative to other parts of the year. Mr. Jones conceded that the present season is also lower when compared to the comparable season from prior years.

As a supplement to the Director's report, and as a special event, Mr. Jones offered Chairperson Walker the opportunity to oversee a tour of the backstage/locker room area – all as recently renovated.

Committee Reports:

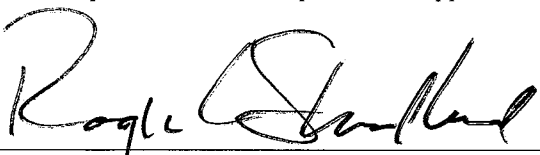
Chairperson Walker reported that the Executive Committee had met. Chairperson Walker, in response to a comment by Mr. Meeske, covered the status of the staff looking into the possibility of disposing of a portion of real estate/building presently owned by the Authority. It was observed that Arena staff was evaluating a memo from Mr. Strandlund on the subject.

Executive/Closed Session: None.

Facility Tour: Chairperson Walker announced the relocation and continuation of the meeting in the form of a tour of the backstage/locker room area. Chairperson Walker pointed out that the "ground rules" for the tour would be: all persons present are invited, with the understanding that all discussions or deliberations among Board members are to be reserved for the time the Board reassembles in the Boardroom following the tour. The tour proceeded with Kevin Snodgrass providing explanation and commentary.

Chairperson Walker proceeded to preside over the balance of the meeting. She made the observation that all Board members had completed the tour and had returned to the Boardroom; and she invited questions and comments. Chairperson Walker's invitation prompted general Board discussion. Most significant to the discussion was Chairperson Walker's expression of appreciation to the Arena staff for efforts and expertise in connection with the project.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:14 p.m.


Roger L. Strandlund, Acting Secretary