

**Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority**

**Minutes of 97<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority  
Board of Directors**

**December 7, 2009  
8:45 a.m.**

**Offices of Fennemore Craig, P.C.  
3003 North Central Avenue, Suite 2600  
Conference Room E-1/E-2  
Phoenix, AZ 85012**

**Attendance**

**Members**

Brad Wright, Chairman  
Verma Pastor - telephonically  
CFO  
Bill Peltier  
John Benton  
Judy Bernas  
Robert Brinton - telephonically  
Rod Williams  
Jody Harwood - telephonically  
Jerry Walker

**Staff**

Tom Sadler, President/CEO  
John Pokorney, Tatum Partners, Interim

**Authority General Counsel**

Sarah Strunk, Fennemore Craig

1. Call to Order. A public meeting of the of the Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority (the "Authority") Board of Directors (the "Board") was held at the offices of Fennemore Craig, P.C., in the E-1/E-2 Conference Room at 3003 North Central Drive, Suite 2600, Phoenix AZ 85012 on December 7, 2009 at 8:45 a.m. A quorum being present and the meeting having been duly noticed and called Chairman Brad Wright called the ninety-seventh meeting of the Board to order.

2. Executive Session. Chairman Wright indicated that the notice and agenda provided for a potential executive session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(a)(1) and (3) for the purpose of discussion regarding certain personnel and benefit matters and to receive legal advice from the general counsel of the Authority regarding disputes with the Fiesta Bowl and their agreements. Ms. Bernas moved that the Board go into executive session and Mr. Benton seconded that motion. The Board unanimously voted to go into executive session. Upon conclusion of the executive session, Mr. Peltier moved to go back into open session, which was seconded by Mr. Williams. Upon unanimous approval by the Board, the meeting of the Board returned to the open meeting.

3. Business Matters: Ratification of Contracts. Chairman Wright turned the meeting over to Mr. Sadler. Mr. Sadler indicated that there were three consulting contracts that had been distributed to the Board for ratification. Mr. Sadler briefly described the services and remuneration for each of the three contracts for Bigelow Foodservice, Molera- Alvarez Group and Tatum LLC.

The Board discussed the Bigelow Foodservice contract and then Mr. Benton moved its ratification for approval and Mr. Walker seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the ratification of the Bigelow Foodservice Consulting Contract.

The Board discussed the Molera-Alvarez Consulting Contract. Mr. Brinton requested that the service provider provide better reports to the Board and that there be some identification of the legislative objectives and approval by the Board of those objectives. Mr. Sadler indicated that he would request this information. Mr. Walker moved that the Molera-Alvarez Consulting Contract be ratified and Ms. Bernas seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the ratification of the Molera-Alvarez Consulting Contract, with Mr. Brinton not voting because he had left the meeting at this time.

The Board then discussed the Tatum Contract for an interim CFO. Mr. Sadler explained what the duties and responsibilities he had assigned to the service provider. Mr. Benton requested that the service provider leave the room during the discussion. There was some discussion of whether the Authority needed to have a full-time CFO and Mr. Sadler indicated that he was analyzing this question. Mr. Benton moved its ratification for approval and Ms. Bernas seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the ratification of the Tatum CFO Consulting Contract, with Mr. Brinton not voting because he had left the meeting.

4. Announcements of Future Meeting Dates and Other Information Concerning the Board. Mr. Sadler indicated that he may try to schedule another meeting of the Board on or about December 17 at 2 PM to review the responses to the RFP.

5. Adjournment. There being no further business of the Board the Chairman requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Walker and seconded by Ms. Harwood, the motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.