

Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority

**Minutes of 121st Meeting of the Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority
Board of Directors**

Tuesday February 26, 2013

3:00 PM

Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority
1 Cardinals Drive, Glendale, Arizona 85305

In Attendance

Board Members

Jody Harwood – Board Chair
Jeff Meyer – Board Vice Chair
Dave Eberhart – Board Secretary
Bill Peltier
Verma Pastor
Judy Bernas
Brad Wright
Sherry Henry
Mike Galloway

Staff

Tom Sadler, CEO
Kevin Daniels, CFO
Robin Matteson, Office Manager

Authority General Counsel

Sarah Strunk

Guests

Ken Wilson – Rojo Hospitality
Peter Sullivan – Global Spectrum
Ted Polakowski, Director of Minor
League Baseball Operations, Oakland A's
Lew Wolff, Owner Oakland A's
Chris Brady, Mesa City Manager

Ron Minegar – Arizona Cardinals
Melissa Wasson – Global Spectrum
Jaime Molera – Molera Alvarez Group
Bill Jabjiniak, Economic Development Mesa
Scott Rigby, City of Mesa

1. Call to Order - A public meeting of the One Hundred and Twenty-first Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority's Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, February 26, 2013 at Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority, 1 Cardinals Drive, Glendale, Arizona 85305 at 3:00 pm. A quorum being present and the meeting having been duly noticed, Board Chair Jody Harwood called the meeting to order at 3:09 pm.
2. Consideration of Minutes from January 10, 2013 - Chair Harwood called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Board meeting held January 10, 2013 attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Upon motion duly made by Member Judy Bernas and seconded by Member Verma Pastor the minutes were unanimously approved.
3. Consideration of a Motion to Allow Staff to Negotiate and Enter Into an IGA with the City of Mesa Regarding Hohokam Stadium – Chair Harwood asked Cactus League Chair Jeff Meyer to present to the Board the summary of the Presentation from City of Mesa/Oakland A's Organization Regarding Planned Improvements to Hohokam Stadium **attached hereto as Exhibit B**. Committee Chair Meyer recommended to the full Board on behalf of the Cactus League Committee to "Allow staff to Negotiate and Enter Into an IGA with City of Mesa for the Improvements at Hohokam Stadium, Contingent upon a) Execution of 20 year lease with Oakland A's and b) The Oakland A's completing their obligation with the City of Phoenix through 2014."

Upon no further discussion Committee Member Bernas moved that the Committee recommend to the Board to "Allow staff to Negotiate and Enter Into an IGA with City of Mesa for the

Improvements at Hohokam Stadium, Contingent upon a) Execution of 20 year lease with Oakland A's and b) The Oakland A's completing their obligation with the City of Phoenix through 2014." The motion was seconded by Committee Member Wright and the vote was unanimously approved.

4. Consideration of Motion to Enter into Executive Session accordance with A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (4), to obtain legal advice from the Authority's legal counsel or to instruct the Authority's legal counsel on contracts being negotiated or litigation related to the matters referred to in the Agenda Upon motion duly made by Member Wright and seconded by Member Peltier the Board entered into Executive Session.
5. Review of AZSTA's Second Quarter Financials Board Chair Harwood asked CFO Kevin Daniels to present to the committee a review of the Authority's Second Quarter Financials **attached hereto as Exhibit C**. CFO also explained the monthly financials that are sent to the board each month. Upon conclusion of the presentation Finance, Co-Chair Wright commended AZSTA for the successful first half of the fiscal year.
6. Update on Final Four Exploratory Committee Progress/Future Actions Board Chair Harwood gave the board a history of the Final Four Exploratory Committee which Jaime Molera, Jody Harwood, Judy Bernas, Peter Sullivan, Tom Sadler and Brad Wright are sitting on. President Sadler explained the community's desire to bring the Final Four to Phoenix and explore the options associated with the upcoming bid. Member Wright commended the members of the Board and staff that are working together with the key stakeholders in the community to bring these events to the valley. President Sadler commented that the bid is for the games in 2017-2018
7. Legislative Update Board Chair Harwood introduced Jaime Molera to give the Board an update on the Arizona Legislature and bills currently before the legislature.
8. Announcement of Future Meeting Dates President Sadler indicated the Finance Committee would meet in May or June to go over the proposed FY2014 Budget.
9. Adjournment There being no further business, Board Chair Harwood requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion duly made by Board Member Eberhart and seconded by Board Member Sherry Henry, the motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.