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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 17, 2023

12:00 PM

The regular Board Meeting of the Springfield Metropolitan Exposition and Auditorium Authority was called to order at 12:00 PM in the Boardroom of the Bank of Springfield Center by Chairman Mike Coffey, Jr.

A roll call was taken and the following Board Members were present, representing a quorum:

Mr. Ettinger
Ms. Goza
Mr. Loftus
Mr. Mills
Ms. Squires
Mr. Young

Also present were Jodi Davis, General Manager; Janet Jennings, Dir. of Finance; Joe Roesch, Legal Counsel; Jim Dickey.

Mr. Coffey asked if there were any statements from visitors or guests. There were none.

Mr. Coffey asked for a motion to approve Action Item A & B, which were the Board Meeting Minutes from December 19, 2022 & the Lease Contracts. A motion was made by Mr. Mills, and seconded by Mr. Ettinger. A voice vote was taken, motion carried.

There was no Chairman's report presented at this meeting. Ms. Goza inquired about Mr. Coffey's recent appointment as Representative of the 95th District. A discussion took place regarding things he wants to get done while in office.

Mr. Coffey called upon Ms. Goza to give the Finance Committee Report. Ms. Goza stated that the Finance Committee met at 11:49 AM.

Ms. Goza stated that the Finance Committee approved the list of bills as presented, but needed full Board approval.

Mr. Coffey asked for a motion to approve the list of bills. A motion was made by Mr. Mills, and seconded by Mr. Young. A voice vote was taken, motion carried.

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Ms. Goza stated that there were two (2) expenditures over \$1,000.00, but needed full Board approval.

1. E.L. Pruitt - \$1,505.00...Broken water pipe in locker room
2. A-1 Corporate - \$6,456.20...4 PTZ Cameras

Mr. Coffey asked for a motion to approve the expenditures over \$1,000.00. A motion was made by Mr. Young, and seconded by Mr. Mills. A voice vote was taken, motion carried.

There was no General Counsel report at this meeting.

Ms. Davis presented the General Managers report. Ms. Davis stated that she hoped everyone had a good New Years. She informed the Board that the Inauguration was held on January 9th and it went off without a hitch. She stated that there were fewer people in attendance than his first Inauguration.

Ms. Davis stated that over the weekend, The Center hosted the IL Kids Wrestling Federation and the Cardinal Caravan. There were no problems with either event. However, a 4 year old managed to pull the fire alarm during the IKWF event. She commended the staff for quickly detecting where the incident happened and getting things cleared up with the alarm panel and the fire department. The mother of the child was very apologetic.

Ms. Davis stated that the Harlem Globetrotters will be here on Thursday, January 19th. She stated that this is their first time back since 2019, due to Covid. She mentioned that she has not seen much advertisement for this event, but that Ms. Tavine has been doing Facebook posts. Ms. Goza stated that she thinks she has seen some advertisements.

Mr. Ettinger inquired why the Inaugural Ball was held at the Fairgrounds as opposed to The Center. Ms. Davis stated that it was because Mrs. Pritzker prefers the Fairgrounds over The Center. Ms. Davis stated that it is also easier on The Center to not have such a huge and quick change-over.

Mr. Coffey asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Mr. Mills, and seconded by Mr. Ettinger. A voice vote was taken, motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Tracy Motter
Executive Secretary

Mr. Mike Coffey, Jr.
Chairman