



**Arena/Convention/Entertainment Board Meeting Minutes**

December 12, 2018, 8:00 a.m.

Sioux Falls Arena – Board Room

1201 North West Avenue, Sioux Falls SD 57104

(City Staff liaison: Tom Huber and Scott Rust)

**ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER & QUORUM DETERMINATION**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ryan Pidde, Tom VanWyhe, Angie Bakke, Ben Arndt and Kristi Metzger

MEMBERS ABSENT: Alyssa Schmidt and Teri Schmidt

GUESTS/STAFF: Les Crooks (SMG), Jim Johnson (SMG), Stu Webber (SMG), Lori Schnell (SMG), Shawn Pritchett (City of Sioux Falls) and Scott Rust (City of Sioux Falls)

**ITEM 2. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

**ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

A motion was made by Ben Arndt and seconded by Kristi Metzger to approve the October 24, 2018, meeting agenda. Motion carried. Yes, Ryan Pidde, Tom VanWyhe, Angie Bakke, Ben Arndt and Kristi Metzger, 5. Noes, none.

**ITEM 4. REVIEW & ACTION of the October 24, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Tom VanWyhe and seconded by Kristie Metzger to approve the October 24, 2018, meeting minutes. Motion carried. Yes, Ryan Pidde, Tom VanWyhe, Angie Bakke, Ben Arndt and Kristi Metzger, 4. Noes, none.

**ITEM 5. REVIEW of Convention Center, PREMIER Center and Arena Events**

The Board received a listing of the past and upcoming events for the Convention Center, PREMIER Center and Arena.

The Convention Center upcoming events include the Agronomy Conference, Girard Auction, BASF, Carsforsale.com, Meta Bank Banquet, Superior Manufacturing, SD Associated General Contractors, Monsanto Winter Users Convention, Sammons Financial Christmas Party, Showplace Holiday Party, South Dakota Ag Expo, South Dakota Corn, Growers Annual Meeting, south Dakota Choral Directors Association, Gonna Get Wed Bridal Showcase, Farm Show, America On Tap Town Square Meeting, Winterfest of Wheels, Compass Center Fundraiser, High Plains Journal – Alfalfa U, First Premier Bank, Ag Partners Winter Forum, EMBE Dress for Success, Dakota Territory Gun Collectors, South Dakota Big Job Fair, Girard Auction, Spring Fever Market, SEWN Bridal Showcase, and Home Show.

The Premier Center upcoming events include Stamped, Jeff Dunham, Sesame Street Live!, WWE Live, Bob Seger, Fleetwood Mac, Paw Patrol, Blake Shelton, James Taylor, Dierks Bentley, Kiss, Summit League Basketball Championships, SD High School State A Combined Basketball Tournament, Storm Football, PBR, Casting Crowns, Harlem Globetrotters, Cher, Kenny Chesney, Jim Gaffigan Thomas Rhett, and Carrie Underwood.

The Arena upcoming events include the Augustana Basketball, Sioux Falls Farm Show, Sioux Empire Home Show, Sportsmen's Show and Central Plains Dairy Expo.

ITEM 6. REVIEW of Arena, Convention Center and Denny Sanford PREMIER Center Financial Reports  
The Board was presented with the 2018 budget that is actual through October.

ITEM 7. OTHER BUSINESS

Staff Changes

Les Crooks reported that SMG is working on the application process for the General Manager position and hope to have that filled very quickly.

Building Renovations

Scott Rust reported that a pony chiller is being added to the Premier Center for the office and Box Office spaces. This is being done so the chiller in the whole facility doesn't need to be running when the building is not in use and will be a saving to the utility costs. He also stated that the Convention Center lighting in the exhibit hall and ballroom spaces will be updated and the audio visual bid will be awarded today.

Eide Bailly Letter: The Board was presented a letter from Eide Bailly stating they will be conducting an annual audit of the financial statements of SMG starting in March 2019.

ITEM 8. PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input.

ITEM 9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Arena Convention Entertainment Board meeting will be held on February 27, 2019 in the Administration Office Conference Room.

ITEM 10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

Handouts for the Meeting include:

- December 12, 2018, Agenda
- October 24, 2018, Meeting Minutes
- Event Updates
- Financial Report
- SMG Event Experience Reports

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