

WASHINGTON STATE MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL STADIUM PUBLIC FACILITIES
DISTRICT

Monday, December 16, 2:30 P.M.
Public Facilities District, Conference Room
110 Edgar Martinez Drive South, Seattle, Washington 98134

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The PFD held its Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors in-person and in a manner consistent with guidance from the Attorney General's office. Virtual access was provided via a Microsoft Teams conference system (video or phone) upon request. Members of the public desiring to leave a comment but not able to attend the meeting in person were asked to submit comments to curtisj@ballpark.org at least 24 hours prior to the meeting start time.

CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME

Board Chair Nelson called the meeting to order at 2:32 pm pursuant to notice. Board Members Chris Marr, Stacy Graven, Andrea Sato, Brian Surratt, and R. Omar Riojas joined the meeting in person. Staff and consultants present: Annie Thenell (Office Manager), Tom Backer (Legal Counsel), Jennifer Ziegler (Legislative), Marc Bloom (Consultant) and Sandeep Kaushik (Legislative). Joshua Curtis (Executive Director) joined virtually via Teams. Also joining in person were Fred Rivera (Mariners EVP and General Counsel), Trevor Gooby (Mariners Executive Vice President & COO), and Carmela Ennis (King County). Ryan Blake (public) joined virtually via Teams. Chair Nelson acknowledged the arrival of Muckleshoot Tribal Councilmember Donny Stevenson, whose appointment as a PFD Board Member is in process at King County Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No written public comment was received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Chair Nelson asked for a motion to approve minutes from the October 28, 2024, Regular Board Meeting. Member Graven moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Member Riojas. Motion carried 6-0.

BOARD BRIEFINGS AND POTENTIAL ACTIONS

1. Mariners Update (Fred Rivers, Trevor Gooby)

Mr. Gooby reported that Kevin Martinez is the Mariners' new President of Business Operations, that Dan Wilson will continue as Manager, and that the Club is making plans for Ichiro Suzuki's anticipated vote & induction to the Hall of Fame. Additionally, he reported on three areas of emphasis in off-season maintenance: Phase Two of the scoreboard control room, starting the upgrade of concessions areas to add Amazon tech, and replacing the two escalators at the Home Plate entrance. Member Marr asked how the Amazon tech is added to concessions. Mr. Gooby answered that it requires a complete overhaul of each concessions space. Mr. Gooby also reported that Enchant has sold over 250,000 tickets, and that the Club is looking forward to several non-baseball events next year, which include 3

summer concerts, and the Savannah Bananas. Mr. Gooby concluded by reporting that they are working with the city and the mayor's office on addressing the illegal vending that has been an issue on the sidewalks surrounding the ballpark.

2. Transit-to-Ballpark Pedestrian Improvements (Marc Bloom/Joshua Curtis)

Mr. Bloom presented the materials included in the Board packet. After discussion, Member Surratt asked what the artist selection process looks like. Mr. Bloom answered that the city has existing resources that can be utilized. Member Marr asked if it would be better to do all the projects at the same time, in order to integrate. Mr. Bloom replied yes. Mr. Curtis said that he and Mr. Bloom would bring back a prioritized list with budgets further refined in early-2025.

3. State Legislative Report (Jennifer Ziegler)

Ms. Ziegler presented the materials appended to the Board packet.

4. City Legislative Report (Sandeep Kaushik)

Mr. Kaushik reported that much has happened in the City this fall, including the change in the city-wide council seat from CM Woo to CM Rinck. Also, CM Morales announced that she is resigning her seat in January. Additionally, he reported on the proposed reintroduction of legislation to allow housing in the Stadium District. He anticipates that there will be pushback from the Port of Seattle, and that Council President Nelson will meet with the Port before introducing the legislation in January. Member Marr asked where CM Rinck stands on the proposed housing. Mr. Kaushik answered that her position is unknown.

5. Treasurer's Report (Chris Marr/Joshua Curtis)

a. Balance Sheet/Profit and Loss Review

Mr. Curtis reviewed the materials included in the Board packet.

b. Proposed Resolution 24-011: Voucher Approval

Member Marr introduced Proposed Resolution 24-011 to approve the regular voucher payments, noting that he had reviewed all the financials with Mr. Curtis and did not have any concerns. Member Marr then moved approval, seconded by Member Sato. Motion carried 6-0.

6. Final 2025 Operating Budget Review (Joshua Curtis)

Mr. Curtis presented the materials included in the Board packet. Member Marr moved approval, seconded by Member Sato. Motion carried 6-0.

7. Board Leadership Transition (Carol K. Nelson/Chris Marr)

a. Proposed Resolution 24-012 Recognizing Carol Kobuke Nelson's Service

Member Marr introduced Proposed Resolution 24-012 to recognize Chair Nelson's service to the PFD. Member Marr then moved approval, seconded by Member Sato. Motion carried 6-0.

- b. Member Marr reported that the proposed new Board leadership is Member Marr as Board Chair, Member Graven as Interim Vice Chair, and Member Riojas as Treasurer. Member Marr then moved approval of the new leadership, seconded by Member Sato. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS

Chair's Report

In her final report, Chair Nelson said that it has been a true honor for her to serve on the Board, that she has loved her time with the PFD, and she thanked everyone.

Executive Director's Report

Mr. Curtis summarized the Executive Director's report included in the Board packet.

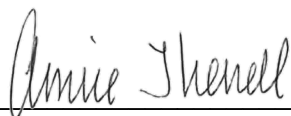
EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board moved into Executive Session at 4:20 p.m. for the reasons stated in the meeting notice. The Executive Session was expected to last 10 minutes and formal Board action was expected following the session. The Executive Session ended at 4:29 p.m. and the Board returned to regular open session.

The Board discussed the Benefit Plan briefing materials and the various proposals for modifying the plan as presented by the Executive Director and included in the Board materials. Following further discussion of the merits of the proposed changes, Board member Marr moved and Member Sato seconded a motion to approve the plan approach identified in the materials as "Scenario D". Motion passed 6-0. The motion authorized and directed the Executive Director to take the steps necessary to implement the new benefits for the 2025 plan year.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, outgoing Chair Nelson and incoming Chair Marr declared the meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.



Annie Thenell,
Recording Clerk



Christopher Marr, Chair
Board of Directors, Public Facilities District