

WASHINGTON STATE MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL STADIUM PUBLIC FACILITIES
DISTRICT

Monday, December 11, 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

Chair Carol K. Nelson called the meeting to order at 2:34 pm pursuant to notice. Board Members joining the meeting in person: Chris Marr, R. Omar Riojas, Andrea Sato, and Stacy Graven. Board member Brian Surratt joined the meeting in person at 2:36pm. Board member Mike Fong joined remotely via Teams. Staff and consultants present: Joshua Curtis (Executive Director), Annie Thenell (Office Manager), Tom Backer (Legal Counsel), Patrick Dunn (Legislative), and Sandeep Kaushik (Legislative). Also joining in person were Trevor Gooby (Mariners SVP, Ballpark Operations), Fred Rivera (Mariners EVP, Legal Counsel), and Carmela Ennis (King County).

PUBLIC COMMENT

No written public comment was received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Chair Nelson asked for a motion to approve minutes from the October 30, 2023, Regular Board Meeting. Member Graven moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Member Marr. Motion carried 6-0, with Member Surratt not yet present to vote.
2. Chair Nelson asked for a motion to approve minutes from the November 13, 2023, Special Board Meeting. After discussion, the Board elected to defer approval of the minutes until the February 12, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

BOARD BRIEFINGS AND POTENTIAL ACTIONS

1. Mariners Updates (Trevor Gooby, Fred Rivera)
 - a. NHL Winter Classic Update

Mr. Gooby reported that 40,000+ people are expected to attend the NHL Winter Classic, which will be held on Jan 1st, 2024 at T-Mobile Park. He said that the NHL will begin its move-in to the ballpark on the afternoon of Dec 17th and will complete construction of the rink by the 24th. The ice truck will be staged on Royal Brougham Way. He additionally reported that there will be a free all-day Fan Fest event at Hatback Bar & Grille at The Boxyard on Jan 1st, as well as a Sugar Bowl watch party after the hockey game. Chair Nelson asked what revenue the Mariners will

generate from the Winter Classic. Mr. Gooby replied that there is rent of the building, a share of food and beverage sales, and a share of merchandise sales.

b. 2024 Non-Baseball Events

Mr. Gooby reported that the Mariners are busy planning for 2024 non-baseball events and that there are four concerts scheduled so far. He stated that they are working closely with the mayor's office as well as with Lumen Field regarding support with their events such as the new Apple Cup.

c. 50/50 Raffle

Mr. Rivera reported that the 50/50 Raffle was a moderate success during the 2023 season. He stated that the gross was \$1.5 million, with expenses running at 55% of the gross. The raffle proceeds are directed to the Hometown Nine Program, through the Mariners Care Foundation. He further added that they are working with the state to try to modernize raffle rules.

2. City Legislative Update (Sandeep Kaushik)

Mr. Kaushik reported that the six new city council members recently elected mean that the majority of the council will be new, with most of the new members from non-political backgrounds. He stated that public safety seemed to be the axis of this election and that he anticipates a more moderate majority on the council now.

3. State Legislative Update (Pat Dunn)

Mr. Dunn reported that the state legislative session that begins on Jan 9, 2024 is a short session at just 9 weeks. No significant bills are anticipated that would impact the PFD.

4. Treasurers Report (Mike Fong, Joshua Curtis)

Member Fong noted that he met with Mr. Curtis to review the financials.

a. 2024 Final Operating Budget

Mr. Curtis reviewed the proposed 2024 Final Operating Budget included in the Board packet. Chair Nelson asked for a motion to approve. Member Graven moved to approve, seconded by Member Sato. Budget was approved 7-0.

b. Balance Sheet Review

Mr. Curtis summarized the Balance Sheet included in the Board packet.

c. Proposed Resolution 23-011: Voucher Approval

Mr. Curtis introduced Proposed Resolution 23-011 to approve the regular voucher payments. Chair Nelson asked for a motion to approve. Member Marr moved to approve, seconded by Member Surratt. Resolution carried 7-0.

REPORTS

Chair's Report

Chair Nelson reviewed three next steps from the Board Retreat, which was held on Monday November 13.

- a. Neighborhood Improvement Fund: After criteria are established, Mr. Curtis will bring forward to the board potential NIF projects.
- b. Community Engagement: Board members will look for meaningful ways to engage with the community. Mr. Curtis will identify speakers to invite to upcoming board meetings.
- c. Reference Ballpark List: Mr. Curtis will work with Mr. Rivera and the Team to identify any possible changes to the list, consistent with the Lease.

Executive Director's Report

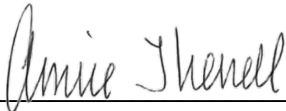
Mr. Curtis summarized the Executive Director's report included in the Board packet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Directors entered into Executive Session at 3:28 to discuss matters as identified in the meeting notice. The Executive Session was expected to last 40 minutes. At 4:02 the Executive Session ended. No board action was taken following the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Chair Nelson declared the meeting adjourned at 4:03 pm.



Annie Thenell,
Recording Clerk



Carol Kobuke Nelson, Chair
Board of Directors, Public Facilities District