

WASHINGTON STATE MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL STADIUM PUBLIC FACILITIES
DISTRICT

Monday, March 8, 2021, 2:30 P.M.

Microsoft Teams Online Meeting

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the PFD held this Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors as an online meeting in a manner consistent with guidance from the Attorney General's office. Members of the public desiring to leave public comment were directed to submit them to curtisj@ballpark.org at least 24 hours prior to the meeting start time. People attending the online meeting were provided the option to provide text comment during the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Stacy Graven called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m. pursuant to notice. Other board members joining the Microsoft Teams meeting: Tim Burgess, Carol Nelson, Omar Riojas, and Chris Marr. Paul Mar joined the meeting at 2:39 p.m. Charley Royer was absent but excused. Staff and consultants present: Joshua Curtis (Executive Director), Tom Backer (Legal Counsel), Pat Dunn (Legislative), and Lizanne Lyons (Consulting). Also joining were Fred Rivera, EVP and General Counsel at the Seattle Mariners, Trevor Gooby (Seattle Mariners), Carmela Ennis (King County Council staff), and Rollin Fatland (Consultant) by phone.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No written public comment was received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Before making a motion to approve the February 8, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes, Chair Graven noted that the draft of the February meeting minutes should have noted Member Nelson's early departure during the meeting. Chair Graven then made the motion to approve the February 8, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes, with the noted amendment. Member Burgess moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Member Nelson. Motion carried 6-0.

BOARD BRIEFINGS

Club Update (Fred Rivera, Trevor Gooby), PPT and Presentation

Trevor Gooby stated that the Club was in constant contact with State and local health agencies to finalize a plan for fans to attend games at a reduced attendance and was confident this would happen.

Fred Rivera stated that the PFD was aware of the events leading to the departure of former President and CEO of the Club, Kevin Mather. He stated that Mr. Mather's statements did not reflect the type of organization the Club is or aspires to be. He anticipated a statement in the press over the next week to lay out process for finding Mr. Mathers' replacement. He also stated

that the Club made two exciting new hires recently: Charles Johnson (VP of Corporate Partnerships) and Kari Escabedo (SVP of Information Technology).

Mr. Rivera provided the board an overview of recent community service work. The Club entered into a partnership with Seattle University for a new MBA fellowship with the goal of diversifying the sports and entertainment industry. As part of the fellowship, the Club would host BIPOC fellows from finance and marketing academic programs. This work is a result of commitments from last year regarding racial justice and social equity. In addition, the Club would be announcing a new grant to support community BIPOC small businesses that have been impacted by COVID.

Mr. Rivera described the current and planned work on the Pyramid event and food and beverage spaces that the Club has leased. The Club hired an architect, contractor, restaurant consultant, and project manager and expects the two spaces – one an event space that will open as a beer garden during neighborhood events and the other a restaurant that would be open 6-7 days/week – to open in April 2022.

2021 State Legislative Update (Pat Dunn) Presentation Only

Pat Dunn provided an update to the Board on the 2021 legislative session, which, at 105 days, is a long session. He stated that most of the funding that was cut last June has been restored. There has been a serious effort to pass a transportation package, which may end up being a smaller package. In addition, there's a data privacy bill being considered (Mr. Rivera stated the Club already complies with the California data privacy, which is more stringent than the current bill being considered). There is also a bill that would allow limited online betting on sports while fans are physically at venues, such as the ballpark.

Designation of PFD Agent (Joshua Curtis) – Materials Included

Joshua Curtis introduced Resolution 21-005, which designated the Executive Director as the PFD agent to receive any claims for damages under Chapter 4.96 RCW. Member Burgess moved the resolution, seconded by Member Mar. Resolution passed 6-0.

Review of Vouchers (Tim Burgess) – Materials Included

Member Burgess introduced Resolution 21-006 to approve the January Vouchers. Member Burgess stated that he had reviewed the vouchers and was recommending the resolution be adopted. After no questions, Chair Graven asked for approval of Resolution 20-017. Member Mar moved the resolution, seconded by Member Nelson. Resolution passed, 6-0.

REPORTS

Chair's Report

Chair Graven stated that Mr. Curtis has now been serving as the PFD's Executive Director for over a year and that the Board's HR task force is working on an annual review.

Executive Director's Report – Materials Included

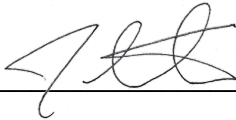
Joshua Curtis summarized the Executive Director's report included in the Board packet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board did not enter into an Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Chair Graven declared the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.



Joshua Curtis
Recording Clerk



Stacy Graven, Chair
Board of Directors, Public Facilities District