

Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority
Cactus League Committee
March 1, 2005
Hohokam Stadium, Sky Box
1235 N. Center Street
Mesa, AZ**

Attendance

Members

Jon Garrett, Chairman
Rod Williams
Roc Arnett
John Benton

Staff

Ted Ferris, President/CEO
Charles Foley, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer
Kerri White, Youth Sports and Cactus League Grant
Coordinator
Kim Monroe, Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order. A public meeting of the of the Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority (the "Authority") Cactus League Committee (the "Committee") was held in the Sky Box at the Hohokam stadium, 1235 N. Center Street, Mesa, AZ, on Tuesday, March 1, 2005 at 10:15 a.m. A quorum being present, and the meeting having been duly noticed and called, Mr. Garrett, the Chairman, called the meeting to order.

2. Consideration of Minutes from November 10, 2004. Chairman Garrett asked for a motion to approve and ratify the minutes of a meeting of the Committee held November 10, 2004 (Exhibit A). Mr. Arnett moved the approval of the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Williams and unanimously carried and it was resolved that the minutes of the November 10, 2004 meeting be approved.

3. Discussion of Status of Tempe Diablo Stadium Improvements. The Chairman asked Mr. Foley, the Authority's CFO and Treasurer, to review the Authority's 30 year funding structure for the Cactus League prior to discussing Tempe Diablo Stadium. The Chairman called

on Mark Richwine, Parks and Recreation Director for the City of Tempe, to give the Committee Members an update on Tempe Diablo Stadium improvements. Mr. Richwine gave a brief overview of the project and its current status. He stated that the City of Tempe is planning to have all improvements completed by spring 2006. Committee member Arnett asked Mr. Richwine to review the parking spaces at the stadium with the committee members. Mr. Richwine gave an overview of their onsite and offsite parking and how the improvements might affect the parking. The Chairman stated that Kerri White, the Authority's Youth Sports and Cactus League Grant Coordinator had been attending meetings with the selected Architect. At those meetings both the City of Tempe and the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim were in attendance. Ms. White noted that the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim are the Project Manager for the improvements and are responsible for cost overruns. Chairman Garrett thanked Mr. Richwine and the City of Tempe for their attendance at the meeting and asked that Ms. White be included in all future meetings and discussions regarding the improvements.

3. Preliminary Review and Consideration of Conceptual Design and Budget for Proposed Improvements to Scottsdale Stadium and Related Practice Facilities. Chairman Garrett informed the committee that they would only be reviewing the information and that no action would be taken by the Committee at this meeting. He stated that once the City of Scottsdale approved the agreement between the City, the San Francisco Giants, and the Scottsdale Charros, the Committee would consider the agreement with the City of Scottsdale and the AZSTA prior to forwarding to the Board of Directors for their review and consideration. Chairman Garrett recognized Al Dreska, Municipal Services General Manager, Kroy Ekblaw, General Manager, Planning and Development Services and Debra Baird, General Manager, Community Services from the City of Scottsdale. Mr. Dreska, Mr. Ekblaw and Ms. Baird

reviewed with the committee members the proposed changes to the Stadium and practice fields. Ms. Baird informed the committee that once the Scottsdale City Council members had received the necessary materials related to the improvements those documents would be forwarded to the Cactus League Committee members for their review. Ms. Baird stated it was anticipated that those documents would be provided to the City Council by Friday, March 3, 2005. Mr. Ferris advised the Committee members that Roger Brendecke, Consultant to the Authority, had reviewed some of the materials and had identified several issues the Committee may need to explore once the final documents were received. Mr. Arnett asked Mr. Foley to explain the reasoning behind the Authority covering the carrying costs. Mr. Foley explained to the Committee that it was customary for the Authority to cover the Principal and Interest for the Cactus League projects and reminded the Committee that we had done so previously with the City of Surprise. Mr. Brendecke also added that the Maricopa County Stadium District also covered the carrying costs for Maryvale and the City of Mesa's Cactus League Stadiums.

4. Announcements of Future Meeting Dates and Other Information Concerning the Committee. The Chairman stated that the Committee would schedule another meeting once it had received all necessary documents related to the City of Scottsdale and its proposed improvements.

5. Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Committee, upon motion duly made by Mr. Arnett, seconded by Mr. Williams and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned.

“Exhibit A”

November 10, 2004 Committee Minutes