

Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority

**Minutes of the 66th Meeting of the Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority
Board of Directors**

May 23, 2006

2:00 p.m.

**Fennemore Craig, P.C., Conference Room E1-E2
3003 N. Central Ave., Suite 2600
Phoenix, AZ 85012**

Attendance

Members

John D. Benton, Chairman
F. Rockne Arnett
Deborah Johnson
Larry Landry
Herman Orcutt
Verma Pastor
Gerald Walker
Rod Williams
Jonathan Garrett

Staff

Ted A. Ferris, President/CEO
Charles M. Foley, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer
Kimberly Monroe, Executive Assistant/Office Mgr.
Brad Parker, Public Information Officer
Kenny Harris, Vice President for Facilities
Deb Wilson, Project Assistant

1. Call to Order. A public meeting of the of the Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority (the "Authority") Board of Directors (the "Board") was held in Conference Room E1-E2 at the offices of Fennemore Craig, P.C., 3003 N. Central Ave., Suite 2600, Phoenix, AZ 85012 on Tuesday, May 23, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. A quorum being present, and the meeting having been duly noticed, the Board Chairman, Mr. John Benton, called the sixty-sixth meeting of the Board of Directors to order.

Chairman Benton stated that he would like to review several items on the agenda prior to considering the Executive Session.

2. Consideration of Minutes from the March 28, 2006 Board Meeting. The Chairman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Board held March 28, 2006 (exhibit A). Mr. Larry Landry requested a change be made to the minutes reflecting that he had a "potential" conflict of interest related to the Cox Agreement not an actually conflict of interest. Chairman Benton asked for a motion to approve the minutes with the requested change. Upon motion duly

made by Mr. Roc Arnett and seconded by Ms. Debbie Johnson the minutes were unanimously approved

3. Arizona Cardinals Update. The Chairman asked if there were any representatives in the audience from the Arizona Cardinals that had any questions and/or issues they would like to discuss with the Board. Mr. Michael Rushman, Team Representative was in the audience and gave a brief construction update to the members. Mr. Rushman stated that there were still several agreements that would need to be finalized and considered by the Board in the near future. Chairman Benton stated that if there were any time sensitive agreements the Board could meet telephonically once they were finalized if needed.

4. Tostitos Fiesta Bowl Update. Chairman Benton asked if there were any representatives in the audience from the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl that had any questions and/or issues they would like to discuss with the Board. Mr. Mike Allen, Tostitos Fiesta Bowl Member, updated the Members on their progress with the remaining issues related to their negotiations with the Arizona Cardinals.

5. Cardinals Stadium Matters. Chairman Benton asked Mr. Gerry Murphy, the Authority's Construction Consultant, to review the apprenticeship program and the grant requests from the Phoenix Bricklaying and Tile Setting Joint Apprenticeship & Training Committee and the Arizona Asbestos Workers Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee. Mr. Murphy reviewed his memo dated April 7, 2006 to Ted Ferris (exhibit B) detailing the programs and his recommendation. After discussion, Chairman Benton asked for a motion to approve the grant request of \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand) to the Phoenix Bricklaying and Tile Setting Joint Apprenticeship & Training Committee and \$10,000 (ten-thousand) to the Arizona Asbestos Workers Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Landry and seconded by Mr. Orcutt the motion was unanimously approved.

6. Executive Session. Chairman Benton asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Rod Williams, and seconded by Mr. Arnett, and approved unanimously, it was resolved that the Board would go into Executive Session.

Chairman Benton asked for a motion to resume regular session. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Orcutt, and approved unanimously, it was resolved that the Board would go back into regular session.

7. Nominations for Board of Director Officers. Chairman Benton stated that this item would be tabled until the next Board Meeting to be scheduled in late June, 2007.

8. Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting the Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Orcutt and seconded by Mr. Williams the motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

“Exhibit A”

Minutes from March 28, 2006 Board Meeting

“Exhibit B”

Memo from Gerry Murphy to Ted Ferris dated April 7, 2006 RE: Recommendation to Grant \$35,000 to the Phoenix Bricklaying and Tilesetting Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee and \$10,000 to the AZ Asbestos Workers Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee.