

Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority

**Minutes of 83rd Meeting of the Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority
Board of Directors**

February 21, 2008

3:00 p.m.

**Arizona Sports & Tourism Authority, Board Room
University of Phoenix Stadium
1 Cardinals Drive
Glendale, AZ 85305**

Attendance

Members

Debbie Johnson, Chairman
Herman Orcutt, Vice Chairman
Roc Arnett
John Benton
Larry Landry
Verma Pastor
Jerry Walker
Rod Williams
Bradley Wright

Staff

Ted A. Ferris, President/CEO
Charles Foley, CFO & Treasurer
Kimberly Monroe, Executive Asst./Office Mgr.
Jennifer Copeland, Communications Coord.

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 the Authority's Board Room at the University of Phoenix Stadium, 1 Cardinals Drive, Glendale, AZ 85305 on Thursday, February 21, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. A quorum being present and the meeting having been duly noticed and called, Chairman Debbie Johnson called the eighty-third meeting of the Board to order.

2. Consideration of October 23, 2007 Board Meeting Minutes. The Chairman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Board held October 23, 2007 (Exhibit A). Upon motion duly made by Mr. John Benton and seconded by Mr. Rod Williams the minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Consideration of Executive Session. The Chairman asked for a motion to go into executive session for discussion or consultation with the attorneys of the Authority for legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)3 and A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)4 having to do with the Contract for the Executive Director and the Fiesta Bowl Contractual matters. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Larry

Landry and seconded by Mr. Jerry Walker the Board unanimously approved the motion to enter into Executive Session.

Chairman Johnson requested a motion to return to the open meeting. Upon motion duly made by Ms. Verma Pastor and seconded by Mr. Landry the Board unanimously approved the motion to return to the open portion of the public meeting.

4. Consideration of Process and Timetable for Search for Executive Director. Given that the Board had received a letter from Mr. Ferris stating he would not be seeking an extension in his contract expiring December 31, 2008, Chairman Johnson asked for discussion regarding the process and timetable for selecting a replacement. The Chairman acknowledged that the Executive Director's duties had changed over the years and requested that Mr. Ted Ferris provide an updated job description to the members. Mr. Landry moved to turn the Executive Director hiring process over to the Authority's Human Resource and Evaluation Ad Hoc Committee and that a job description and process and timetable for selection and appointment of a new Executive Director be brought back to the full board no later than the end of March. The motion was seconded by Mr. Herman Orcutt. Board discussion ensued. Upon motion duly made by Mr. Landry and seconded by Mr. Orcutt the Board unanimously approved the motion.

5. Announcements of Future Meeting Dates and Other Information Concerning the Board. Chairman Johnson informed the Members she had received a call from Mr. Frank Supovitz, Senior Vice President, Events for the NFL, thanking the Authority for their work on a successful Super Bowl. Mr. Ferris stated that the City of Glendale had informed him that the deadline for the 2012 Super Bowl bid had been moved to October 2008 (Subsequent to the meeting, on February 26, Mr. Ferris further informed Chairman Johnson that he learned from Ed Beasley, Glendale City Manager, that the bid deadline remained in early April and the NFL owners would make a decision on Super Bowl 2012 at their May meeting). Chairman Johnson stated that Mr. Bob Sullivan, AZ Super Bowl Host Committee President, had informed her that he would provide a copy of those

sections of the bid document which related to the Authority. Mr. Ferris provided the members with a brief update on the NCAA Final Four bid process for the 2012 – 2016 award periods.

6. Adjournment. There being no further business of the Board the Chairman requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon motion duly made by Ms. Pastor and seconded by Mr. Walker the motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

Exhibit A

October 23, 2007 Board Meeting Minutes