

MINUTES OF THE FARGO DOME AUTHORITY MEETING

A regular meeting of the Fargo Dome Authority was held on Tuesday, April 29, 2025 at 3:30 p.m. in the FARGODOME Conference Room with President David Suppes presiding.

Members present: David Suppes, Michael Ellingson, Blake Nelson, Todd Olson, Rick Steen, Troy Goergen and Dan Armbrust.

Members absent:

Others present: Nathan Carr – Crux Catering; Ryan Green – City of Fargo; Kacie Erickson, Director of Food & Beverage – FARGODOME; Zach Prante, Accounting Manager – FARGODOME; Sarah Dykema – Director of Marketing and Sales – FARGODOME; Amanda Muellenbach, Administrative and Auxiliary Services Manager – FARGODOME; Bernie Larson, Assistant General Manager – FARGODOME and Rob Sobolik, General Manager – FARGODOME.

Media present: None

President David Suppes called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Rob requested to add an update on the convention center to the agenda under Additional Items.

Rick Steen made a motion, seconded by Michael Ellingson, to approve the agenda of the April 29, 2025 Fargo Dome Authority meeting as amended. Motion carried.

Todd Olson made a motion, seconded by Troy Goergen, to approve the minutes from the April 1, 2025 Fargo Dome Authority meeting. Motion carried.

Catering Application – Crux Catering: The Authority reviewed an application from Crux Catering to become an approved caterer at FARGODOME.

Upon review, Dan Armbrust made a motion, seconded by Blake Nelson, to approve the catering application from Crux Catering.

On call of the roll, Armbrust, Ellingson, Goergen, Nelson, Olson, Steen and Suppes voted aye.

Absent and not voting:

The motion was declared carried.

Nathan Carr left the meeting at 3:34 p.m.

Rob Sobolik presented the General Manager's report as follows:

- Year-to-Date Net Income through March 2025 is stated at \$107,733, which is a positive variance (to budget) of \$8,767.
- Past and Upcoming Events: El Zagal Shrine Circus on April 4-6, 2025. NDSU Football Coaches Clinic on April 10-11, 2025. Sanford Health Employee Event on April 15, 2025. NDSU Spring Green and Gold Spring Showcase on April 25,

2025. 2025 Western National Gymnastics Championships on May 1-4, 2025.
NDSU Spring Commencement on May 17, 2025.

Rick Steen presented the Fargo Dome Authority Building and Finance Committee report. The Fargo Dome Authority Building and Finance Committees met on Wednesday, April 23, 2025. Items discussed included:

- March 2025 Financial Statements: The March 2025 Financial Statements were approved by the Finance Committee at the meeting on April 23, 2025.
- Project and Capital Budget Updates:
 - Rob reported that the football turf was back out on the floor for the NDSU Football Spring Showcase. Astroturf was here assessing various issues with the turf to determine what the next steps will be. FARGODOME staff is evaluating an annual maintenance agreement proposal from Steve Gordan Construction that would cover the mechanical portion of the turf. This item will be further discussed at upcoming meetings.
- Escrow Balance & Performance Reports: The committee reviewed the permanent fund balance as of January 2025. Please see attachments.
- Rob reminded the group that the 2026 budget will be presented at the May 21, 2025 Building and Finance Committee meeting.

Rick Steen made a motion, seconded by Michael Ellingson, to approve the Building and Finance Committee report as presented.

On call of the roll, Armbrust, Ellingson, Goergen, Nelson, Olson, Steen and Suppes voted aye.

Absent and not voting:

The motion was declared carried.

Nominating Committee: Blake Nelson presented the Fargo Dome Authority Nominating Committee report. The Fargo Dome Authority Nominating Committee brought forward the following appointments:

- David Suppes as President of the Fargo Dome Authority.
- Troy Goergen as Vice President of the Fargo Dome Authority.
- Rick Steen as Treasurer of the Fargo Dome Authority.
- Dan Armbrust as Secretary of the Fargo Dome Authority.

Blake Nelson made a motion, seconded by Todd Olson, to approve the slate of officers as presented.

On call of the roll, Armbrust, Ellingson, Goergen, Nelson, Olson, Steen and Suppes voted aye.

Absent and not voting:

The motion was declared carried.

Additional Items:

- Convention Center Update – David reported that the Authority is still waiting for the City to bring forward the request for proposal for a convention center. This item will be further discussed at upcoming meetings.

The next Fargo Dome Authority meeting will be on May 27, 2025 at 3:30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

David Suppes, President

Amanda Muellenbach, Administrative and Auxiliary Services Manager