MINUTES OF THE FARGO DOME AUTHORITY MEETING

A regular meeting of the Fargo Dome Authority was held on Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. in the FARGODOME Conference Room with President David Suppes presiding.

Members present: David Suppes, Rick Steen, Blake Nelson, Dan Armbrust, Troy Goergen and Nancy Jordheim.

Members absent: Michael Ellingson

Others present: Todd Olson – Fargo Public Schools; Ryan Green – City of Fargo; Brian Boe – Mortenson Construction; Joe Pritzkow – Mortenson Construction; Zach Prante – Accounting Manager – FARGODOME; Bernie Larson – Assistant General Manager – FARGODOME; Sarah Dykema – Director of Marketing and Sales – FARGODOME; Amanda Muellenbach, Administrative and Auxiliary Services Manager – FARGODOME and Rob Sobolik, General Manager – FARGODOME.

Media present: None

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

Dan Armbrust made a motion, seconded by Rick Steen, to approve the agenda of the September 24, 2024 Fargo Dome Authority meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Troy Goergen made a motion, seconded by Nancy Jordheim, to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2024 Fargo Dome Authority meeting. Motion carried.

The group welcomed Todd Olson to the Fargo Dome Authority. Nancy Jordheim is moving out of the area and her last meeting will be in October. Todd was appointment as Nancy's replacement on the board.

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

- Year-to-Date Net Income through August 2024 is stated at -$17,456 which is a positive variance (to budget) of $43,224.
- Past and Upcoming Events: NDSU Football vs. TN State on September 7, 2024. NDSU Football vs. Towson on September 21, 2024. Youth Football on September 22, 2024. NDSU Fall Career Fair on September 25, 2024. NDSU Football vs. UND on October 5, 2024. Dynasty Elite Youth Football on October 6, 2024. FM Athletics Youth Football on October 13, 2024. NDSU Football vs. SDSU on October 19, 2024. FM Athletics Youth Football on October 20, 2024. The Big One Art and Craft Fair on October 25-26, 2024.

Rick Steen presented the Fargo Dome Authority Building and Finance Committee report. The Fargo Dome Authority Building and Finance Committees met on Wednesday, September 18, 2024. Items discussed included:

- August 2024 Financial Statements: The August 2024 Financial Statements were approved by the Finance Committee at the meeting on September 18, 2024.
- Project and Capital Budget Updates:

    - Football Turf: Astroturf will continue to be on site at the building during turf conversions to ensure everything is working correctly.
- Escrow Balance & Performance Reports: The committee reviewed the escrow balance as of June 2024. Please see attachments.
- Additional Items:
    - David provided an update on the FARGODOME expansion educational campaign. H2M has been hired to run the campaign and is working with FARGODOME staff and Fargo Dome Authority members on a plan.
    - Nancy provided an update on her status on the Fargo Dome Authority and Fargo Dome Authority Building Committee. She noted that she will be moving out of the area by November 2024, so her last Fargo Dome Authority meeting will be October 29, 2024. Todd Olson has been appointed as her replacement through the end of her current term which is March 2027. Nancy thanked the committee members and FARGODOME staff for their work during her time serving on the board.

Rick Steen made a motion, seconded by Dan Armbrust, to approve the Building and Finance Committee report as presented.
On call of the roll, Armbrust, Goergen, Jordheim, Nelson, Steen and Suppes voted aye. Absent and not voting: Ellingson.
The motion was declared carried.

Discussion of FARGODOME Remodel: David updated the committee on the Information/Education Campaign. H2M was selected as the firm to represent FARGODOME for the campaign. H2M is currently working with FARGODOME staff and Fargo Dome Authority members on a plan for moving forward with the campaign. David noted that he and other FARGODOME staff have upcoming meetings with various entities to present information regarding the FARGODOME remodel. Sarah handed out a fact sheet for Authority members to use as a reference point for questions they may receive. Please see attachment. FARGODOME also plans to host three open houses in October for citizens to attend to learn more information about the FARGODOME remodel and to ask any questions they may have.

Additional Items:

- Following up with an item from the July meeting, Rob noted that he believes the cost to have a company complete a valuation of naming rights for FARGODOME would likely be less than $50,000 if that is something the Authority wants to consider. This item will be further discussed at upcoming meetings.
- The committee decided to move the November Fargo Dome Authority meeting from Tuesday, November 26 at 3:30pm to Monday, November 25 at 3:30pm.

The next Fargo Dome Authority meeting will be on October 29, 2024 at 3:30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

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David Suppes, President

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Amanda Muellenbach, Administrative and Auxiliary Services Manager