

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF THE
SPORTS & EXHIBITION AUTHORITY OF PITTSBURGH
AND ALLEGHENY COUNTY
HELD THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2018
AT THE DAVID L. LAWRENCE CONVENTION CENTER
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA
COMMENCING AT 10:42 A.M. E.S.T.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County (the "Authority") was held upon proper notice in the DLCC Executive Board Room in Pittsburgh, PA 15222, on Thursday, July 12, 2018 commencing at 10:42 A.M. E.S.T.

Members of the Authority

Present: Sen. Wayne Fontana, Chairman
Councilman Anthony Coghill, Member
Michael Dunleavy, Member
Rev. Glenn Grayson, Member
Jill Weimer, Member
Sala Udin, Member

Also Present: Mary Conturo, Doug Straley, Rosanne Casciato, Rosemary Carroll, Rifat Qureshi, Sharon Mink, Simona Loberant, Rachel Cohen, Maggie Pike, Umar Ahmad and Samuel Meek of the Authority; Morgan Hanson, Solicitor; Clarence Curry of CF3 Management; Tim Muldoon, Conor McGarvey, and Kevin Mielcarek of SMG; George Meehan of Levy; J.J. McGraw of the Pittsburgh Pirates; and Frederick Winkler, architect.

Senator Wayne Fontana called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Morgan Hanson followed with a roll call of the Board Members. Mr. Hanson advised that a quorum was present.

Beginning with public participation, Senator Fontana asked if any members of the audience would like to address the Board. Seeing none, he moved to the next item on the agenda, approval of the minutes from the meeting of June 14, 2018. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved.

Senator Fontana continued on to the next item on the agenda under SEA Operating, authorization to enter into an agreement with EMK Inc. in the amount of \$118,028 for purchase, training and seven years of support for AccuFund accounting software, and five years of data conversion for the Authority's existing system.

Ms. Sharon Mink explained that the Authority currently uses Sage100 for the General Ledger, Bank Reconciliation, and Accounts Payable Functions. This software has been in place since 1998. Within the Sage100 software, there are five companies set up. These companies do not interface with each other resulting in the need for a second software, Biznet, to be used to create any financial reports. In addition, Authority staff currently uses Access to track our capital projects and Excel to track all of the parking statements and grant revenues.

Staff began searching for a system that could 1.) create combined, comparative statements, 2.) eliminate the need for duplicative excel spreadsheets for parking entries and 3.) track all of the capital costs by grant source. In May of 2018, an RFP was issued soliciting proposals for a new accounting system. The RFP was advertised in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette and the New Pittsburgh Courier and on the SEA website. Nine copies of the RFP were requested and three proposals were received. The companies were Tyler Technologies, Opal Business Solutions and EMK, Inc.

The review team consisted of the accounting department, Director of IT, and Clarence Curry, MBE/WBE consultant. The team reviewed the three proposals and received a demonstration from both Opal Business Solutions and EMK, Inc.

Based on the demonstration, references, cost, and EMK's ability to service the product, the committee recommends purchasing the AccuFund Software and using EMK, Inc. as the ongoing service provider.

The cost of the software and a seven-year service contract is \$95,827.50. Staff also recommends the on premise service, which allows for the software to be downloaded directly on the Authority's server.

EMK has also provided a cost to convert five years of data from the current accounting system into the new AccuFund System. The rate is \$185 per hour, estimated at 120 hours (not to be exceeded) which totals \$22,200.

EMK is a 100% women owned business. The firm is currently working on renewing its WBE certification.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any questions from the Board.

Mr. Sala Udin asked for clarification on the status of EMK Inc.'s WBE certification.

Ms. Mink explained that EMK Inc. had its WBE certification lapse, but they are currently working on the paperwork to renew it.

Mr. Udin asked when EMK Inc. reapplied.

Ms. Mink said they reapplied a few weeks ago.

Mr. Udin asked how long it will take for them to acquire the WBE recertification.

Ms. Mink said it would take about six to eight weeks.

Mr. Udin asked that staff notify the Board when EMK Inc. has acquired its WBE recertification and it's on file.

Ms. Mink confirmed that the Board would be notified.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any further questions from the Board. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5550

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to enter into an agreement with EMK Inc. in the amount of \$118,028 for purchase, training and seven years of support for AccuFund accounting software, and five years of data conversion for the Authority's existing system; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized and directed to take all action and execute such documents as are related and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, authorization to extend the Food and Beverage Agreement with Levy Premium Food Service L.P. for 5 years through December 31, 2023.

Ms. Rosanne Casciato explained that the current contract with Levy expires December 31, 2018. This action authorizes amendments to the contract to extend the term for five years until 2023, but with the ability of the Authority to break the agreement after three years; reset the fee structure to provide for a maximum cap of \$250,000 in 2019 increased annually by CPI. The cap is currently at \$296,000 in 2018. This cap reset is the 2011 amount. Levy is to provide a contribution of \$250,000, which the Authority expects to invest in repairs and improvements to the Food & Beverage facilities.

A review team of SEA and SMG staff, considered whether to extend the existing contract on the same terms and conditions; continue to contract with Levy but with revised terms and conditions, or issue an RFP.

Staff performed a thorough review of both financial and non-financial matters, including benchmarking seven other convention centers. Staff recommends a contract extension with Levy with the revised terms previously described.

SMG, through its Food and Beverage affiliate, Savor, reviewed the Levy financials and concluded that the Levy pricing, labor costs, cost of sales and indirect costs were in line with industry standards.

Other reasons the Authority is recommending Levy include: Levy's record of providing quality food and beverage services at the Convention Center, and for helping to promote the convention center at the local level and national level; Corporate Levy has held corporate events here and Levy has opened the Chicago test kitchen for SMG, Visit Pittsburgh and Chef Dominique to use for potential customers; Levy operations are consistent with and support the objectives of the Authority, including with respect to diversity in the workforce, MBE/WBE vendor participation and sustainability; at the local level Levy staffing is composed of 15% minority candidates of salaried, professional staff, and 52% minority candidates for the hourly workforce; nationally, Compass Group, Levy's parent company and corporate Levy are each composed of 59% minority candidates; in 2017, 16% of the food and beverage purchases were from local MBE/WBE companies; the business terms of the contract, as revised, are in line with contracts for other convention centers; and finally, Levy's current management team is committed to Pittsburgh and the Convention Center.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any questions from the Board.

Mr. Udin stated that it is a positive development to have the cap go down from \$296,000 to \$250,000, which gives the Authority a positive of about \$46,000. He asked for confirmation that the \$250,000 committed by Levy will be used for repairs and improvements.

Ms. Casciato confirmed that this is correct.

Mr. Udin asked as a result of Levy's use of the food and beverage facilities, how much repair and maintenance will cost.

Ms. Casciato explained that every year Levy provides the Authority with a capital plan. Ms. Casciato added that the Authority has a Food and Beverage Reserve Account. The \$250,000 will go into that, and be used to pay food and beverage costs that are part of the capital budgets

that are submitted each year to the Board. With the last contract Levy also provided a contribution and that went towards the renovation of the concession stands. For example, Levy will present an item on today's Board agenda for some kitchen equipment; that's the type of item the contribution would be used to pay for.

Mr. Udin asked if Ms. Casciato had an idea of what the cost is for repair and maintenance annually.

Ms. Casciato explained that the Authority has been provided a 10-year capital plan for food and beverage and could provide Mr. Udin those detailed numbers following the Board meeting.

Mr. Udin also asked about Levy's MBE-WBE and diversity commitment. Firstly, Mr. Udin commended Levy on its workforce diversity percentage, which is close to 50% minority workforce. However, Levy only has two of 13 of the administrative and professional positions that are minority, and neither one of them are African-American. Mr. Udin expressed his hope that Levy will continue to diversify its administrative and professional staff. Secondly, Mr. Udin said that he looked at the website of some of the minority vendors, and noticed that one of the major minority vendors indicated that the top female executive was the president and CEO, but that her grandfather was the owner. Mr. Udin said he did not know if she had inherited the ownership from her grandfather, or if her grandfather still runs the business, and if it was an accurate representation of WBE certification.

Mr. Udin said when equal opportunity regulations first began, there were many business owned by white males who listed wives or daughters as owners while the real management of the company continued to be run by white males, so it is very difficult to prove an accurate ownership and WBE certification. That past behavior excluded legitimately women-owned

businesses from participating in the market. Mr. Udin stated he has a concern about it; however it is not the Authority's job to police and investigate, but wanted to note this concern.

Mr. Clarence Curry explained that he saw the same information on the website that Mr. Udin was referring to. The founding of the company was by the current CEO's grandfather in 1962, which makes it uncertain whether or not the founder is still living. The granddaughter is running the company now. Mr. Curry explained further that standard protocol for certification requires that the company must have at least 51% minority or woman ownership. The Authority has a certification from a legitimate certifier that states that the granddaughter owns at least 51% of the business. Mr. Curry added that any information beyond that is not public information, so the Authority cannot inquire as to whether she owns, for example, 51% or 77% or 100%.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any further questions from the Board.

Rev. Glenn Grayson asked if anyone is looking at the market in terms of the costs of certain food and beverage items, such as bottled water, and what is a fair price today.

Ms. Casciato explained that on an annual basis, when Levy provides its budget to the Authority, they include a recommendation for pricing for the following year. Levy formulates the budget based on local competition for the same type of services at banquet halls, hotels, but not at the sporting facilities like PNC Park or Heinz Field. That budget goes to SMG, who Levy directly reports to, and when it gets to the Authority, it is discussed as a group whether or not the pricing is going to price someone out of the market or if it is truly competitive.

Ms. Mary Conturo added that on a case-by-case basis, SMG and Levy look at the client and its needs and whether they require an elaborate setup or simple setup for its event, so they try to offer products that meet their needs and are affordable to their needs.

Mr. Tim Muldoon added that SMG also tries to take a holistic look at each event and takes into consideration all revenue streams such as rent, what will be earned on the exhibit floor, including food and beverage, and parking. Mr. Muldoon further explained that at certain times the Center might be aggressive with food and beverage pricing in certain areas if that is a sticking point for the client, so the Center tries to make those decisions, what is important for the client, and structure prices in such a way. Not only does the Center try to stay competitive with the local market, but also the regional market and convention center market to make sure the Center is competitive with the conventions coming in that are generating the biggest economic impact for the region. A lot of time is spent looking at regional markets, and not just at the local hotel market.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any further questions from the Board. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5551

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to amend the Food and Beverage Agreement with Levy Premium Food Service L.P. in order to extend for 5 years (through December 31, 2023) and to make other changes, and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, authorization to enter into an agreement with Odyssey Environmental Services, LLC in the amount of \$16,100 for cleanup of main sump, and access tunnel coating repairs at the wastewater treatment plant.

Mr. Kevin Mielcarek explained that the 50,000-gallon capacity on-site wastewater treatment plant collects and treats all wastewater from sanitary and potable uses. The water is

then recycled throughout the building for toilet flushing. The plant's treatment components include a sump tank, aerobic digester, carbon filter, and ultraviolet disinfection system. Approximately 5.2 million gallons of water were reused in 2017. This accounted for almost 36% of the total indoor water usage.

The cleanout of the main sump tank is required every 3-5 years and was last performed in 2015. This process entails a confined space entry into an underground storage tank for removal of an estimated 20,000 gallons of waste. Additionally, the interior of the tank and access tunnel will be cleaned and inspected at this time. Coating of the access tunnel is included in this project.

This project was advertised on the Authority's website and sent to four contractors, one of which was a WBE firm, Charles Lutz. Three quotes were received from Odyssey Environmental Services, McCutcheon Industries and Charles Lutz Enterprises. Odyssey provided the lowest quote.

The work will be performed in the fall when the temperature is below 50 degrees. Once underway, the project will take approximately five days. The wastewater treatment plant will be operable during this work.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any questions from the Board.

Mr. Udin asked if the WBE firm's name was "Charles" Lutz.

Mr. Mielcarek confirmed.

Mr. Udin asked for clarification.

Mr. Mielcarek explained that the owner's name is Vicky.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any further questions from the Board.

Councilman Anthony Coghill asked if the water supplied to the Convention Center is PWSA.

Mr. Mielcarek confirmed that it is PWSA water.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any further questions from the Board. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5552

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to enter into an agreement with Odyssey Environmental Services, LLC in the amount of \$16,100 for cleanup of main sump, and access tunnel coating repairs at the wastewater treatment plant; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, authorization to enter into an agreement with Holt Ramsey Pump & Equipment in a lump sum amount of \$13,496 for rebuild of condenser water pump #1 and chilled water pump #2 at the chilled water plant.

Mr. Mielcarek explained that the chilled water plant utilizes five condenser water pumps and four chilled water pumps. Condenser water pump #5 was rebuilt in 2016. Chilled water pump #3, condenser water pump and motor #2, and chilled water pump and motor #4 were rebuilt in 2017. The remaining pumps are nearing the end of their useful life and it is planned that they be rebuilt as they indicate excessive wear. Veolia North America, the operator of the chilled water plant, has recommended that condenser water pump #1 and chilled water pump #2 be rebuilt at this time because they are showing higher amperage draw and hotter operation temperature than normal, which are indicators of failing bearings.

This project was advertised on the Authority's website and sent to five contractors: Total Equipment Co., Pittsburgh Electric Motor Repair, Holt Ramsey, Industrial Pump and Motor

Repair, W.C. Weil Company. Three quotes were received. The lowest quote was submitted by Holt Ramsey.

There is no MBE/WBE participation on this project.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any questions from the Board. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5553

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to enter into an agreement with Holt Ramsey Pump & Equipment in a lump sum amount of \$13,496 for rebuild of condenser water pump #1 and chilled water pump #2 at the chilled water plant; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, authorization to enter into an agreement with TriMark Marlinn in the amount of \$61,826 for the purchase of roll-in blast chiller (\$24,047); combi oven (\$34,807); and additional combi carts (\$2,972); and authorization to enter into an agreement with Douglas Equipment in the amount of \$104,187 for the purchase of gas fryers (\$6,194); char broiler (\$6,073); and smallwares (\$91,920).

Mr. George Meehan explained that as part of Levy's annual assessment of kitchen equipment, they recommend items for replacement or additional items needed to increase food revenue on the service side. The following items were identified by Levy as falling into one of the two categories.

The combi oven is a replacement item. Two of the three original combi ovens have been replaced, and this would be the third and final oven from the original purchase in 2003.

The second item is a char broiler, which is also a replacement item. The current char broiler is beyond repair, and is also from the original equipment purchase in 2003.

With the purchase of fryers, the goal is to increase frying capacity, increasing from three to five fryers, lessening cook time and improving quality.

The goal of the roll-in blast chiller through the cook-chill process is to minimize the time products spend in the "danger zone", providing a safe and efficient way to cool food rapidly.

The small wares are additional items. The goal is to increase the small wares quantities over current par levels to elevate efficiencies and eliminate rental cost for large events.

Kitchen equipment was advertised on the Authority's website, in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette and in the New Pittsburgh Courier. Thirteen bid packets were sent out. Four bids were received, and Tri Mark Marlin was the lowest responsible bidder at \$61,826 for three of the items, including the roll-in blast chiller, combi oven and additional combi carts. Douglas Equipment was the other lowest responsible bidder at \$104,187 for the purchase of two fryers, the char broiler and smallwares.

The equipment meets the LEED sustainability criteria, and all items come with stated factory warranties, except the combi oven, which has a two-year warranty.

There is no MBE/WBE participation with this purchase, and all funds are sourced from the Food and Beverage Capital Reserve Account.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any questions from the Board. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5554

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers

are authorized to enter into an agreement with TriMark Marlinn in the amount of \$61,826 for the purchase of roll-in blast chiller (\$24,047); combi oven (\$34,807); and additional combi carts (\$2,972); and authorization to enter into an agreement with Douglas Equipment in the amount of \$104,187 for the purchase of gas fryers (\$6,194); char broiler (\$6,073); and smallwares (\$91,920); and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, authorization to rescind Resolution No. 5493 and to enter into an agreement with Kenny Ross for the purchase of a 2019 Ford F-250 utility pickup truck in the amount of \$35,673.

Mr. Conor McGarvey explained that in 2003, the Center purchased a new Ford F-250 pickup truck to plow parking lots, transport materials around the outside of the building for maintenance, and to make routine pick-ups of equipment and materials from local vendors. Because of the truck's age, repairs are becoming more frequent and extensive.

A project to replace the pickup truck with a new ¾-ton truck was publicly bid in September of 2017. Despite reaching out to four dealerships, no bids were submitted.

In October of 2017, the Authority and SMG coordinated with Allegheny County's procurement office for assistance with the project. The County's procurement office connected the DLCC with dealerships who could provide COSTARS pricing.

At the October 2017 SEA Board meeting, the Board authorized the Center to enter into an agreement to purchase a new 2017 Ford F-250 truck. Upon delivery of the truck, it was discovered that the truck did not meet the specification that had been sent to all dealerships. The truck was not accepted by the Center because of this.

The Center again coordinated with Allegheny County's procurement office in June of 2018 and received two bids from two dealerships for a ¾-ton pickup truck with the same specifications from the previous bid.

The lowest responsible bidder was Kenny Ross automotive group for a 2019 Ford F-250 super duty. The truck will be delivered 8-12 weeks after the purchase order has been executed. The truck has a three-year, 36,000-mile, bumper-to-bumper warranty, and a five-year, 100,000-mile power train warranty. The purchase of the truck includes a new snow plow prep package, snow plow, and bed liner. SMG expects the truck to last 10 years. After the truck has been delivered, SMG will be adding a Center decal to both the passenger and drivers' side doors. SMG will be auctioning off the 2003 Ford F-250 on govdeals.com.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any questions from the Board.

Councilman Coghill asked if the Authority is in a specific contract with Ford.

Mr. McGarvey explained that the Authority is not in a contract with Ford, and that in October of 2017, bids were received for Chevys and Dodges, but perhaps because there is more going off the lots this time of year than in the fall, only two bids were received as a result of the most recent request for bidders, and both were Fords.

Councilman Coghill asked if the auction for the old truck is open to all public.

Mr. McGarvey confirmed that the auction of the old truck is open to the public. SMG has been working through govdeals.com for about a year and it has been very successful in auctioning off items that are being replaced. It is publicly advertised so that anybody can visit govdeals.com and search for Sports & Exhibition Authority.

Councilman Coghill asked if the Authority always takes the highest bid on auctioned items.

Mr. McGarvey confirmed that the Authority always takes the highest bid.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any further questions from the Board.

Mr. Udin asked if the warranties are standard.

Mr. McGarvey confirmed that it is the standard warranty.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any further questions from the Board. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5555

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to rescind Resolution No. 5493 and to enter into an agreement with Kenny Ross for the purchase of a 2019 Ford F-250 utility pickup truck in the amount of \$35,673; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, under PPG Paints Arena, authorization to reimburse the Pittsburgh Penguins \$125,000 from the PPG Paints Arena Capital Reserve Fund for replacement of dasher boards.

Mr. Doug Straley explained that this is an authorization for new dasher boards at PPG Paints Arena. The original dasher boards were installed during original construction in 2010. The Authority would share in the cost of the new dasher boards in the amount of \$125,000 out of a total project cost of \$343,900. The \$125,000 would come from the PPG Paints Capital Reserve Fund that has approximately \$6.8 million to date.

This project would count as one of the two Capital Improvement projects permitted in the eighth Lease year, which has just started this month.

The new boards are Athletica boards, and according to the Penguins, have enhanced player safety features as recommended by the NHL, and have been installed in all but three NHL arenas.

The installation of the new dasher boards would be done by AEG staff, and they would be completed prior to the start of the 2018-19 hockey season. The Penguins would then sell the existing dasher boards and retain the proceeds.

There is a five-year warranty with this purchase.

Senator Fontana asked if the dasher boards are the materials that circle the arena that the players run into on the ice.

Mr. Straley confirmed that they are the lower part of the glass surrounding the ice.

Senator Fontana asked if the \$125,000 would be the cost of the purchase and installation of the boards.

Mr. Straley confirmed that the \$125,000 would be the Authority's portion of the \$343,000 total project cost, so basically a third of the total project cost.

Rev. Grayson asked if the Authority gets any portion of the sale proceeds.

Mr. Straley explained that the Authority would not get a portion of the proceeds, and added that the Penguins' initial request was for the entire \$343,000 total project cost.

Rev. Grayson expressed concern about how the Authority does not participate in the benefits.

Mr. Morgan Hanson explained further that the Penguins originally requested the Authority pay \$350,000, and then the Penguins would have agreed for the Authority to sell the boards, which would most likely net between \$75,000 and \$90,000. So the end result is that all

things considered, the Authority is able to expend a lot less than what the Penguins originally requested.

Rev. Grayson said he understands there is negotiating but he feels that the Penguins are getting a good deal from this.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any questions from the Board. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5556

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to reimburse the Pittsburgh Penguins \$125,000 from the PPG Paints Arena Capital Reserve Fund for replacement of dasher boards; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized and directed to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

The next item was public participation, and Senator Fontana asked if anyone in the audience desired to address the Board.

Rev. Grayson added that in the future, in similar situations to the previous dasher boards item, that savings could go to the team's charitable organization which funds could then be used to give back to the community. Rev. Grayson felt that at least if not all the savings, a portion could go to their charitable organization.

Ms. Conturo confirmed that the Authority would make that request to the Penguins.

Rev. Grayson asked if the Board could go back and make that recommendation to the Penguins, as that is how the Board would like to see things move forward.

Senator Fontana explained a motion could be made to make the request to the Penguins.

Rev. Grayson made a motion that the Board request that the proceeds from the sale of the dasher boards be donated to the Penguins' nonprofit in order to help serve the community. Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the request was approved.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any further questions from the Board.

Mr. Udin asked that in regards to the WBE company from a previous item that recently submitted its recertification (EMK Inc.) but have not yet received it, if the Board's approval, he assumed, is contingent upon receipt of confirmation of the recertification.

Mr. Curry said he would expect to hear from them about the recertification in four to six weeks. He is aware of the principals and they are indeed the owner. He said it is a CPA firm and the owner has to be a CPA, so he doesn't think there is any concern that they are operating for a male relative, as there has been in some other cases.

Senator Fontana added that Mr. Udin asked to be notified, so if someone could send him notification once there is confirmation of recertification.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any further questions from the Board.

There being no additional comments or business, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to adjourn. Upon a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 11:19 A.M.


Mary Centuro
Assistant Secretary