

Quad City Civic Center Authority Minutes
Thursday, December 18, 2025

Board Members Present: Chairperson Paul Mulcahey, Jeff Nelson*, Mike Haney, Todd Thompson, Anamaria Vera Rocha, Reggie Freeman, Fran Prochaska, Bob Vitas; Larry Meeske

Board Members absent: Stacey Happ

Staff Present: Rocky Jones, Stephanie Nagle, Kevin Snodgrass

Other Persons Present: Roger Strandlund (Ancel Glink), Alexandra Elias (Renew Moline), Joe Moreno Scott Mullen,

Roll Call, Introduction and Public Comment:

Chairperson Mulcahey called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. A roll call vote was conducted of the members physically present and, based upon separate findings by legal counsel and by roll call vote (separate voting applicable to each member requesting remote attendance), the Board members present agreed to approve the remote attendance of each member as shown (*indicates members attending remotely by telephone).

Alexandra Elias made a presentation on behalf of Renew Moline. As part of the presentation, she distributed membership materials and encouraged the Board to consider agreeing to an organizational membership. Chairperson Mulcahey thanked Ms. Elias for her presentation and expressed the Board's gratitude for the key role which Renew Moline has played in connection with downtown redevelopment efforts. Chairperson Mulcahey announced that the matter will be referred to the Finance Committee as a next step.

Scott Mullen made a presentation relating to the newly-formed "Mallards Legacy Fund." Mr. Mullen provided background on the formation of the organization and its effort to obtain tax exempt status through an application filed with the Internal Revenue Service. Mr. Mullen identified the mission and purpose of the Fund as similar to the endeavors he and Mr. Cornfield had collaborated on in connection with certain previous hockey events (involving former Mallard players), all intended to raise money for charity. Chairperson Mulcahey said that going forward Board's consideration of past, present and future transactions relating to such charitable events are best handled between the parties' respective legal counsel, all to ensure transparency and clarity. Mr. Mullen provided some details as to his business plans outside of the community, closing with the exchange of Holiday well wishes between various Board members and Mr. Mullen.

Chairperson Mulcahey called upon the remaining attendee requesting public comment – Joe Moreno. Mr. Moreno distributed some advertising and promotional literature relating to the Quad City Marathon. Mr. Moreno recited the long-standing and successful relationship between the Arena and the Marathon. Mr. Moreno identified the focus of his presentation as the need or an advance commitment on behalf of the Arena to reserve the fourth Friday/Saturday in September for Marathon move-in and performance activities. Chairperson Mulcahey facilitated discussion between Mr. Moreno and various Arena staff and Board members, resulting in an expansion on the details provided in Mr. Moreno's presentation (specific times, spaces, conditions). Chairperson Mulcahey announced his interpretation as direction to staff to endeavor to satisfy Mr. Moreno's request and report the staff's progress at future meetings.

Minutes: Motion by Mr. Prochaska, second by Mr. Haney, to approve the Minutes for the Board Meeting occurring on November 20, 2025. With Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken (roll call), and it carried unanimously.

Financials: Rocky Jones presented the financial statements with commentary (handout). Motion by Mr. Freeman, second by Mr. Haney, to approve the financial statements for the period ending November 30, 2025. With Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken (roll call), and it carried unanimously.

Interim Executive Director's Report:

Mr. Jones reported on the financial performance of recent events and his projection for bookings relating to upcoming events. As to the subject of Upcoming Events, Mr. Jones detailed some industry trends as factors impacting a generally declining level of booking opportunities. Mr. Jones' report also included his progress in seeking documentation of certain deadlines contained within DCEO grant assurances.

Reports and Actions from Committees:

1. Search Committee

Mr. Vitas reported on the progress of the recruitment progress. He identified the "soft launch" of the advertised solicitation. In addition, Mr. Vitas set forth the schedule for future Committee activities. Board Chairperson Mulcahey made the observation that the next few months are challenging in terms of coordinating schedules to achieve maximum attendance. Chairperson Mulcahey stated that he chose to address the matter through the appointment of Mike Haney as an additional member of the Search Committee. Mr. Vitas made a motion, second by Mr. Nelson, to approve the appointment. With Board Chairperson Mulcahey calling for the vote on the Motion, the vote was taken (roll call), and it carried unanimously.

2. Finance Committee

Mr. Nelson requested that his report be directed toward the Closed Session portion of the meeting, all subject to the Open Meetings Act. Chairperson Mulcahey agreed with Mr. Nelson as to the adjustment within the Agenda.

3. Executive Committee

Chairperson Mulcahey summarized the recent luncheon involving certain elected officials and members of the respective staffs of the invitees, all in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Various Board Members expressed appreciation for Mr. Jones' assistance in connection with the luncheon, with the general direction to seek out opportunities for such interactions in the future.

4. Staff Report on Projects

No Action Taken

5. Closed Session

At 1:25 p.m. Chairperson Mulcahey invited Board Members to adjourn into Closed Session for purposes identified on the Agenda; for discussion on personnel, Lease/License Pricing, Safety, and Pending and Imminent Litigation, as applicable [legal authorities pertaining to foregoing topics, respectively, are 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6), 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8), and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)]

No formal action was taken in Closed Session.

At 2:00 p.m., Chairperson Mulcahey entertained a motion to adjourn into open session. Upon Motion by Mr. Vitas. Second by Mr. Nelson, a roll call vote was taken, showing all Board members voting “Aye”, and Chairperson Mulcahey declared the motion carried. [Separate minutes (and recording thereof) relating to Closed Session has been retained in custody of Legal Counsel.]

Return to Open Session

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was duly adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Roger L. Strandlund, Acting Secretary