

Quad City Civic Center Authority Minutes
Thursday, January 15, 2026

Board Members Present: Chairperson Paul Mulcahey, Mike Haney, Todd Thompson, Reggie Freeman, Bob Vitas, Stacey Happ, Jeff Nelson*, Larry Meeske* (Mr. Prochaska and Ms. Rocha being excused per advance communication)
Staff Present: Rocky Jones (by phone), Stephanie Nagle, Kevin Snodgrass
Other Persons Present: Roger Strandlund (Ancel Glink), Sarah Bohnsack, Howard Cornfield**, Gary Buetner**, Steve Gibson**, Kerry Toporowski**

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).

Representatives and/or supporters of the Mallards Legacy Fund (indicated above **) accepted Chairperson Mulcahey's invitation for public comment. The comments covered the chronology of the development of the Mallards Legacy Fund and addressed the plans for its future endeavors. Howard Cornfield rounded out the comments with examples of persons benefiting from the organization's charitable efforts. Chairperson Mulcahey thanked all commenters for their past accomplishments and he wished them well toward the fulfillment of the mission of the Mallards Legacy Fund. [The commenters chose to voluntarily exit the Board room upon the close of the comment period.]

Executive/Closed Session: At 1:13 p.m. Chairperson Mulcahey invited Board members to adjourn into Closed Session for the purposes identified on the Agenda, i.e., discussion on pending or imminent litigation. Legal authority supporting the Closed Session discussed was cited as 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11). Motion by Mr. Freeman, second by Ms. Happ, to proceed to conduct the meeting in Closed Session on the foregoing basis. With Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a roll call vote on the motion, the roll call vote was taken with all Board members voting "Aye".

[The meeting transitioned to Closed session, with all Board members present, as shown above, and Sarah Bohnsack and legal counsel attending at the request of Chairperson Mulcahey.]

At 1:40 p.m., motion by Mr. Haney, second by Mr. Freeman, to adjourn from Closed Session and resume Regular Session. A roll call vote was taken, showing all Board members voting "Aye". Chairperson Mulcahey declared the motion carried; and he announced that no formal action was taken in Closed Session. [Separate minutes (and tape thereof) relating to Closed Session has been retained in custody of Legal Counsel.]

Open Session Resumed and Matters Arising from Closed Session: Chairperson Mulcahey thanked Sarah Bohnsack, CPA, for her firm's work on connection with the necessary scrutiny to be applied to charitable requests. Motion by Mr. Haney, second by Mr. Nelson, to approve the close out/settlement of the event/claim corresponding to the account identified by Rocky Jones. The motion specified its effect of authorizing delivery of payment to Mr. Cornfield in support of the charitable purposes described in the public comment session relating to the Mallards Legacy Fund. With Chairperson Mulcahey according the opportunity for discussion (and there being none), and Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a roll call vote on the motion, the roll call vote was taken with all Board members voting "Aye".

Minutes: Motion by Mr. Haney, second by Mr. Nelson, to approve the Minutes for the Board Meeting occurring on December 18, 2025. With Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken (roll call), and it carried unanimously.

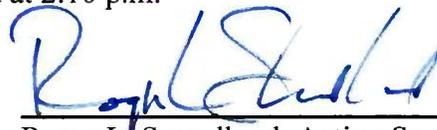
Financials: Rocky Jones presented the financial statements with commentary (handout). Motion by Mr. Freeman, second by Ms. Happ, to approve the financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2025. With Chairperson Mulcahey calling for a vote on the motion, the vote was taken (roll call), and it carried unanimously.

Interim Executive Director's Report: Mr. Jones provided a recap of the following: The status of grant funding (applicable to possible future construction projects; upcoming events; and negotiations with promoters and tenants or vendors. The presentation by Mr. Jones prompted an interactive dialogue among the staff and the Board members pertaining to the general state of the market within the Arena's competitive band of venues. Chairperson Mulcahey thanked Mr. Jones and the Arena staff for pulling together to maintain a high level of quality and diversity of choices for the community; and he further deemed the report as approved by the consensus drawn from Mr. Jones' discussion with the Board.

Reports and Actions from Committees: Chairperson Mulcahey introduced the respective Committees which have generated attention by the Executive Committee.

1. **Search Committee:** Committee Chairperson Vitas reported that the Committee duly met (in compliance with OMA), with the consultant conveying a status report via conference call. He noted the timetable for upcoming deliverables and observed that the Committee found the consultant to be performing as hoped; yielding a growing field of qualified candidates.
2. **Finance Committee:** Board Chairperson Mulcahey noted the scheduling conflict, which minutes earlier prompted Committee Chairperson Nelson's exit from the meeting. Board Chairperson Mulcahey next turned to Committee member Haney, resulting in Mr. Haney's delivery of a recommendation. Mr. Haney announced that he expected the Committee to favor membership and participation within Renew Moline. Mr. Haney's comments prompted a motion by Mr. Vitas, second by Mr. Meeske, to adopt the proposal by Alex Elias as delivered at the previous meeting (refer to Committee/Staff distribution). With Chairperson Mulcahey allowing the opportunity for discussion, Chairperson Mulcahey called for a vote on the motion and, upon roll call vote, all members voted "Aye".

There being no further substantive business and Legal Counsel pointing out that all Closed Session matters being previously covered, the meeting was duly adjourned at 2:10 p.m.



Roger L. Strandlund, Acting Secretary