

- **Executive** **Mr. Craig Thomas, Chair**

Craig Thomas informs the Board that Lauren Hurt will be leaving the company and Jackie Powers will be acting as interim secretary and Gretchen Gilmore will be acting as assistant secretary. This matter will be voted on in the next meeting. Craig Thomas states with due to the pandemic we have yet to have much discussion or revision of the contracts that are coming to an end such as the Blackhawks, Naming Rights, ASM Management Company, and the IGA. This unfortunately, has not been a day-to-day discussion but with Gretchen Gilmore and Gordon Kaye's efforts we will have even greater success in the future. There is a light at the end of the tunnel and much of this is due to Gretchen Gilmore and all her work.

- **Davis Park** **Mr. Tom Walsh, Chair**

Tom Walsh states the arts council has some ideas about public art and this conversation includes Davis Park.

- **Coronado** **Mr. Craig Thomas, Chair**

Martesha Brown states her and Beth Howard have gotten together to devise the next steps in the plan for diversity. The idea would be to gather members of the community and determine what the perceived barriers are and the suggestions they have. This feedback will be presented to the Friends of the Coronado and then an analysis of how to break these barriers will be presented back to the focus group. Ideally, Martesha Brown states she would like to make this announcement regarding the welcoming of diversity in February, for Black History month. Martesha Brown states the Coronado also received a grant that relates to diversity. Beth Howard states the grant was for \$12,000 and this is for racial sensitivity.

- **Governance** **Mr. Tim Rollins, Attorney**

No report at this time.

- **Program Advisory Group** **Mr. Michael Schirger, Chair**

No report at this time.

- **Capital Improvement** **Mr. John Phelps, Chair**

John Phelps states there has been discussion on the post COVID-19 environment regarding cameras inside and outside the building. Ideally, some of the grant would be allocated to the cameras within the building that would be able to document any activity in the arena and in turn this would protect RAVE.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Mr. Tom Walsh, Treasurer

Tom Walsh defers to Gretchen Gilmore. Gretchen Gilmore states she would like to highlight this month did have some revenue generation. We had the IceHogs Garage Sale that generated about \$20,000 and sold the locker room equipment for about another \$7,000. Another aspect on the financials is that Savor had to come in and dispose of inventory due to an ASM policy that states after six months any inventory must be disposed of. This was a large expense that hit the Savor financials, roughly \$50,000. Gretchen Gilmore states she will be submitting this and some of the salaries of the employees that had to come in to dispose of the inventory for CURES fund relief. Gretchen Gilmore states we did receive the first check from the CURES fund of \$512,000. Gretchen Gilmore states over the last two years we have had deficits and the skeleton crew and cost mitigation we have in place is to keep the facility running and prevent any deficits. The CURES fund must be spent before December 30, 2020 so as of now Mike Walsh has ordered several services that are necessary for sanitization of the BMO and Coronado, air purification, flushing the domestic hot water and air filter replacements. This will all be submitted for the CURES fund reimbursement for about \$100,000. With this submission and the Savor inventory submission it will only be about another \$300,000, which puts us well

below our \$1.8 million approval. Gretchen Gilmore states that Mike Walsh has been working with BearCom on a proposal for cameras for the facilities and despite the efforts the state has turned us down a couple of times. Currently, Mike Walsh is working on another plan to use our remaining DCEO funds for a camera system. The freight elevator is down and there is currently a 9-10 week turn around. The City has been made aware of the cost to repair and RAVE will use its current funds to begin this project and we will hopefully have funding set up with the City soon. The exterior concrete mockup has been ongoing throughout the summer. We have received the first invoice for this mockup, and it was around \$80,000.

Wipfli presents the fiscal year 2020 financial audit.

MOTION: To approve the November 2020 financials made by Tom Walsh, second by Mike Dunn. Motion passes unanimously. Roll Call: Craig Thomas, John Phelps, Mike Dunn, Tom Walsh, Martesha Brown and Mike Schirger

MOTION: To approve the Fiscal Year 2020 financial audit made by Tom Walsh, second by Martesha Brown. Motion passes unanimously. Roll Call: Craig Thomas, John Phelps, Mike Dunn, Tom Walsh, Martesha Brown and Mike Schirger

GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT – Mrs. Gretchen Gilmore, Interim GM

Gretchen Gilmore states we had a couple of events this last month the Thanksgiving turkey giveaway hosted by Fred VanVleet and the IceHogs garage sale. Gretchen Gilmore informs the board that there will be teddy bear toss held this weekend as a drive by event. The guests will drive thru and toss their teddy bears. Derek King, Mark Bernard and Mike Peck will be present at the drive. We also will be collecting winter clothing for Miss Carly's which we partnered with LawnCare By Walter to sponsor the event. The AHL has not had an update on a confirmed return to play. We are still set to start February 5, 2021 and as of right now the Governor is not allowing us to have fans. The BMO Harris Bank relationship has been fundamental with Mike Peck returning. We have been able to present them with a Plan B for their sponsorship that would focus on broadcasting, interaction on social and what we can do to provide value to our largest sponsor. With this being the last year of their agreement we needed to provide some value for them. They were appreciative of the items we were able to provide. Most importantly titling the broadcasting after them, "Rockford IceHogs presented by BMO Harris Bank". Gretchen Gilmore states the AHL has also asked for us to come up with a plan to include equality and diversity in all our hockey games. Gretchen Gilmore states she is confident in Martesha Brown and her experience on this topic and what the advisory board will provide feedback on. Gretchen Gilmore states last week there was an ASM global call that was positive about the light at the end of the tunnel. We should expect by Q3 and Q4 of next year, industry wide, to be at 85%. There are mass gatherings in other venues around the world, so it is beginning again. The idea is that artist and performers are anxious to get back on the road and making money. The high-end artists will more than likely not book unless capacity is higher than 25%. This change and bookings probably will not happen until after our fiscal year.

COUNSEL'S REPORT – Attorney Tim Rollins

None at this time.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Mr. Craig Thomas

Craig Thomas informs the Board we are dealing with a lot of critical issues this year. Craig Thomas states over the last few weeks there has been discussion with the Blackhawks, management staff and executive community members at the City. In the next week we would like to have discussion with the Board regarding this agreement and there will possibly be a need for a special meeting on December 29 or December 30. There will be more communication over the next couple of days that will hopefully solidify this and hope to have more specific discussion with the Board members.

OLD BUSINESS:

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

None at this time

ADJOURNMENT – The Authority Board adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

MOTION: *To adjourn made by Mike Schirger, second by Tom Walsh. Motion passes unanimously. Roll Call: Craig Thomas, John Phelps, Mike Dunn, Tom Walsh, Martesha Brown and Mike Schirger*

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren Hurt, Authority Board Secretary/ FOIA Officer