

MINUTES
GEO. L. SMITH II GEORGIA WORLD CONGRESS CENTER AUTHORITY
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING
AUTHORITY BOARD ROOM
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023
12:30 p.m.

The following ten out of fifteen Board members were present:

Don Balfour	Aaron McWhorter
Maxine Burton	Bill Russell
Brian Daniel, Vice Chair	Doug Tollett, Secretary
Glenn Hicks, Chair	Dexter Warrior, Treasurer
Steve Adams	Bill Rice

Chair Glenn Hicks called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

A motion to approve the October 31, 2023 Board of Governors meeting minutes was made by Doug Tollett, seconded by Don Balfour and unanimously approved.

SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT

Rey Rodriguez, GWCCA Director of Finance, reviewed the October 2023 Financial Report.

ATLANTA CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU STRATEGIC PLAN AND 2024 BUSINESS/FINANCIAL PLAN

William Pate, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Gregory Pierce, Executive Vice President, Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer, presented the ACVB's Strategic Plan and 2024 Business/Financial Plan.

A motion to approve the ACVB's Strategic Plan and 2024 Business/Financial Plan was made by Bill Russell, seconded by Dexter Warrior, and unanimously approved.

SIGNIA BY HILTON ATLANTA CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Theonie Alicandro, Drew Company COO/General Counsel, provided a hotel development update.

SIGNIA BY HILTON ATLANTA 2024 BUDGET AND FIRST 90 DAYS PREVIEW

Teri Agosta, General Manager, Signia by Hilton Atlanta, provided an update on the 2024 budget and first 90 days preview.

SIGNIA BY HILTON ATLANTA CELEBRATION PREVIEW

Jen Lemaster, Chief Administrative Officer, provided an update on the Signia By Hilton Atlanta Celebration preview.

PROPOSED 2024 BOARD MEETING DATES

A motion to approve the proposed 2024 Board meeting dates, a copy of which is attached hereto, was made by Doug Tollett, seconded by Steve Adams, and unanimously approved.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Bill Russell, chair of the Nominating Committee, made a report on the Nominating Committee's proposed slate of officers for 2024.

A motion to approve the slate as presented for recommendation by the Nominating Committee was made by Bill Rice, seconded by Aaron McWhorter, and unanimously approved. The officers for 2024 are:

*Brian Daniel, Chair
Doug Tollett, Vice Chair
Dexter Warrior, Secretary
Maxine Burton, Treasurer*

RESOLUTION – BYLAWS AMENDMENT

Pargen Robertson, GWCCA Legal Counsel, presented to the Board a Resolution essentially authorizing the amendment to the Bylaws to take effect which previously was circulated to the Board.

A motion to approve the Resolution regarding this amendment to the Bylaws, a copy of which is attached hereto, was made by Doug Tollett, seconded by Dexter Warrior, and unanimously was approved.

RESOLUTION – BYLAWS AMENDMENT

Pargen Robertson, GWCCA Legal Counsel, presented to the Board a Resolution authorizing execution of the service agreement with Heidrick & Struggles.

A motion to approve the Resolution regarding the agreement with Heidrick & Struggles, a copy of which is attached hereto, was made by Brian Daniels, seconded by Don Balfour, and unanimously was approved.

CHAIRMAN’S HOLIDAY TOAST

Chairman Glenn Hicks proposed a holiday toast, complimenting the board and staff on a great year.

At 1:51 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Doug Tollett, seconded by Bill Rice, and unanimously approved.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

APPROVED:

James Pargen Robertson, Jr., Legal Counsel

Dexter Warrior, Secretary