

**Minutes of the Board of Directors
Fargo-Moorhead Convention & Visitors Bureau
Wednesday April 19, 2023**

Members Present: Doug Peters, Kimberly Busch, Clare Hughes, Holly Heitkamp, Nicole Steen Dutton, Christine Boprie, Melissa Richard, Kember Anderson, Ramon Sosa

Members Absent: Joe Miller, Tanner Tweten

Others Present: Charley Johnson, Pres/CEO

- Chair Doug Peters called the meeting to order.
- A motion was made (Holly), seconded (Kember), and passed approving the March 29 Minutes.
- The CEO & Board reviewed the March financials and discussed possible unbudgeted expenditures due to a looming surplus.
- After further discussion, a motion was made (Clare), seconded (Nicole) and passed approving a Destination Development Grant of \$15,000 for phase 2 of the "Garden of Healing" project in the park near Urban Plains.
- The Board and CEO discussed the need to elect a new Vice Chair due to the departure of Board Member Joe Miller.
- The Board and CEO discussed Board the vacancies created by the departures of Joe Miller and Christine Boprie, along with the possibility of broadening the hotel GM seats on the Board to allow for Hotel Directors of Sales and/or Corporate Directors of Sales or Operations. After some discussion, both the Vice Chair and Board replacement items were tabled (Christine motion, Holly second). The proposed bylaw changes will be taken up at the May Board meeting, while Chair Doug Peters said he would seek nominations from the existing Board Member for a new Vice Chair and planned to hold an email vote next week. The CEO will engage Hotel GMs in hopes of finding replacements that can be appointed to fill the Miller & Boprie seats.
- Holly moved adjournment, Kimberly seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

The Board is advised to avoid hitting "Reply All" on emails, as doing so could trigger an open meeting requirement.

The next regular Board Meeting is scheduled for 7:30 am on Wednesday, May 31, 2023. At the FMCVB Boardroom.

If necessary, there will be a virtual option on MS TEAMS.