

**Minutes of the Board of Directors
Fargo-Moorhead Convention & Visitors Bureau
Wednesday August 30, 2023**

Members Present: Doug Peters, Clare Hughes, Tanner Tweten, Nicole Steen Dutton, James Stinsman, Kimberly Busch, Kember Anderson, Casey Sanders-Berglund, Holly Heitkamp

Members Absent: Ramon Sosa

Others Present: Charley Johnson, Pres/CEO, Rob Sobolik, FARGODOME

- Chair Doug Peters called the meeting to order.
- A motion was made (Tanner), seconded (Kember), and passed approving the July 26 Minutes.
- The CEO & Board reviewed the July financials in the context of the end of the current fiscal year, August 31. A motion was made (Holly), seconded (Kember), and passed approving the July Financials.
- Emerging Prairie Executive and Co-Founder Greg Tehven gave the Board an update on the Grand Farm project, to which the Board had previously awarded a \$250,000 Destination Development (capital) Grant.
- The Board discussed 3 candidates interested in filling the remaining year of Board term recently vacated by Kylee Brisch, and ultimately voted unanimously to appoint Emily Nielsen, GM of the Courtyard by Marriott Fargo to the post.
- The CEO told the Board that the Fargo City Commission would vote at its September 5th meeting on whether or not to set a special election for December 5th on funding for a FARGODOME enhancement and expansion project. The proposed addition would take the form of a conference center.
- After brief discussion of some housekeeping issues, including the Strategic Planning Sessions set for October, Nicole moved adjournment, Kimberly seconded, and the motion passed.

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, September 27, 2023, in the FMCVB Boardroom.
If necessary, there will be a virtual option on MS TEAMS.**