



# San Jose Arena Authority

## Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Zoom Virtual Meeting

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October 28, 2020

4:00 pm

## Meeting Minutes

### **Board Members in Attendance**

Matthew Bright	Leslee Hamilton
David Buchholz	Carl Honaker
Jonathan Clough	John Kennett
Eileen Consiglio	Steve O'Brien
Bill Ekern	Henry Smith
Maya Esparza	Vinni Walia

### **Board Members Not in Attendance**

Scott Bruner	Kathy Sutherland
Dev Davis	Rusty Weekes
Colleen Reilly	

### **Staff in Attendance**

Chris Morrissey (Executive Director)  
Shelly Wang (Administrative Assistant)  
Ed Moran (City Attorney's Office)

### **Guests in Attendance**

Jon Gustafson (Sharks Sports & Entertainment)  
James Hamnett (Sharks Sports & Entertainment)  
Louansee Moua (Council District 6)  
Lori Severino (City Manager's Office)  
Ben Taylor (San Jose Giants)

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call/Introductions.** The Arena Authority convened the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors at 4:01 pm.
2. **General Business**
  - a. Welcome New Mayor's Office Representative Henry Smith. The Arena Authority welcomed Henry Smith as the new liaison from the Mayor's office.
  - b. Review and Approve September 23, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Approved with 8 approvals and 1 abstention (Hamilton). 1<sup>st</sup>: Bright, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Walia.
  - c. Accept Verbal Report on SAP Center at San Jose Vicinity Projects (Ekern, Severino) Bill Ekern and Lori Severino provided updates on the Diridon Station area projects.
3. **Executive Director and Staff Reports**
  - 3.1. **Executive Director (Morrissey)**
    - a. Accept Verbal Reports on Arena Authority Oversight

- SAP Center at San Jose. The National Hockey League is currently planning games to begin in January 2021. Heavy work continues on the ice surface and the escalators at the south doors. The Center has been selected to hold an NCAA Men's Basketball Regional Tournament in 2026.
- Solar4America Ice at San Jose. Heavy construction continues as the foundation for the two new rinks is being installed. The American Hockey League is anticipated to begin play in February 2021.
- Excite Ballpark Home of the San Jose Giants. The Stadium Committee will be reviewing proposed capital projects for the 2021 season.

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- b. Accept Verbal Reports on Arena Authority Administrative Items
  - VTA/BART Downtown/Diridon Community Working Group. The next meeting is scheduled on November 17, 2020.
  - Emergency Resources Network. The Network is planning on convening to address the major events from 2020, including COVID-19, wildfires and shelter for those without homes.
  - South Campus Operations Team. Discussions are being planned to address the function of the on-site parking lot used by Solar4America Ice at San Jose and Excite Ballpark Home of the San Jose Giants. The 1,500-space parking garage being built by San Jose State University is scheduled to open in late 2020 or early 2021. SJSU is also currently remodeling Spartan Stadium and is nearing completion of new volleyball and softball facilities.
  - City of San Jose Emergency Resources Council. No report.

### **3.2. Administrative Assistant (Wang)**

- a. Accept Verbal Report on Status of Activities at SAP Center at San Jose. No report.
- b. Accept Verbal Report on Status of Activities at Solar4America Ice at San Jose. No report.

## **4. Committee Reports**

### **4.1. Standing Executive Committee (Chair: Buchholz)**

- a. Accept Verbal Report on the Remaining Board Meeting for 2020. The next Arena Authority Board meeting is on Wednesday, December 2, 2020 and will be held virtually.
- b. Accept Report on Board Committee Assignments. Board members are encouraged to let staff know their preferences for committee assignments.

### **4.2. Standing Finance Committee (Chair: Bright)**

- a. Review and Approve July to September 2020 Financial Statements. Approved with 8 approvals (Walia no longer at meeting). 1<sup>st</sup>: Hamilton, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Buchholz
- b. Accept Verbal Report on the Arena Authority Fiscal Year 2019-20 Financial Report. Arena Authority staff and the Board Treasurer are working towards completing the fiscal year 2019-2020 financial report to present at the Annual Board Meeting in December.

4.3. Standing San Jose Sports Hall of Fame Committee

- a. Accept Verbal Report on the 2020 San Jose Sports Hall of Fame Program Activity. The San Jose Sports Authority is currently filming a segment on the history of the San Jose Sports Hall of Fame that will be aired on NBC Bay Area on November 22. The 2020 induction dinner and ceremony have been postponed to Spring 2021 due to the pandemic.

4.4. Standing Facilities Committee (Co-Chairs: Buchholz, Clough)

- a. Accept Verbal Reports on Facility Activities
- SAP Center at San Jose. See item 3.1.a.
  - Solar4America Ice at San Jose (Expansion Project). See item 3.1.a.

4.5. Standing Stadium Committee (Co-Chairs: Honaker, Kennett)

- a. Accept Verbal Report on Recent Activities at Excite Ballpark Home of the San Jose Giants. See item 3.1.a.

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4.6. Ad Hoc Board Recruitment Committee (Chair: Sutherland)

- a. Accept Report on Board Member Reappointments:  
Scott Bruner, John Kennett and Vinni Walia. See agenda item 4.6.a.
- b. Accept Memorandum on Current Board Member Vacancies. The Arena Authority is seeking three candidates to fill current Board vacancies with a preference for candidates with urban/transit experience or South Campus knowledge. Additional vacancies are expected in June 2021 with three Board members terming out.

4.7. Standing Community Programs Committee (Chair: Bright)

- a. Accept Verbal Report on City and Community Events Program Applicants:
- San Jose Sports Hall of Fame. See item 4.3.a.
  - San Jose Police Foundation. No report.

5. Open Forum/Public Comments. Former Board Chairperson Leslee Hamilton requested to add an agenda item for the December Board meeting to consider taking Board action on addressing compensating Arena Authority staff with the additional funds being provided by the City.

6. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 4:59pm.

Submitted by:

Shelly Wang