

Minutes: Buildings and Facilities Committee

Wednesday, February 12, 2025 - 8:00 a.m.

Alumni Hall Conference Room

Attendees: Charlie Atwood; Burnie Allen; Art Dessureau; Rick Dente; Matt Flaherty; Paula Dolan; Jon Valsangiacomo; Jim McWilliam, Tom Baker and Brent Gagne

Not in Attendance: Sue Higby

Others in Attendance: Derek Cipriano, AD for Spaulding Sports

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Charlie Atwood at 8:00 a.m.

Minutes for the January 8, 2025 meeting were approved by Rick and seconded by Jon.

Visitor: AD for Spaulding Sports, Derek Cipriano. Derek said using the turf at the BOR was great for high school sport teams. Would like to use the turf more but budget constraints keep that from happening.

Jim asked Derek why the high school basketball teams don't use the Aud more for games, etc. Derek stated that it was because they had a gym at the school and again, budget constraints keep that from happening.

Derek mentioned participation in youth sports is decreasing across all sports.

Civic Center Fund Review: The Board would like to have Nick clarify how the Fund can and is being used as well as keeping us informed as to when monies are going to be deducted from the Fund.

Civic Center Improvement Projects: Tom Baker mentioned that the Governor's Ball went very well and everyone was pleased. Fish & Game also said the Gun Show went well and will come back again next year. Tom said he'd like to have round tables but storage of them could be difficult. Art mentioned to go ahead and check prices for round tables and report back to Committee. Tom also mentioned they are working on getting the stoves up and running in the kitchen of the Aud.

Congressional Grant Status: Further discussion on the \$100,000 donated

funds. No changes or progress nor money yet from Bernie Fund. New President could be holding up the funds.

Jim - Marketing Report: Winter Solstice was a big hit. Hoping to expand to more teams next year.

Northfield Savings Bank donated money for Player Chairs for courtside. Hopefully being made soon and delivered but will not be here for playoffs.

We are also receiving new walk-off mats for the back entries and the front entries printed with "Welcome to the Aud" on them as well as the sponsors name.

Jim would like to change prices for new sponsors of banners and dashers, leaving current sponsors at the same rate. After discussion, this will be tabled for further discussion.

Motion to adjourn was made by Rick and seconded by Jon.