

**THE RHODE ISLAND CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY
MEETING OF THE
DUNKIN' DONUTS CENTER COMMITTEE**

September 25, 2007

A meeting of the Dunkin' Donuts Center Committee of the Rhode Island Convention Center Authority (hereinafter referred to as "Authority", the "CCA" or the "Board") was held on September 25, 2007, pursuant to notice, at the Rhode Island Convention Center Boardroom, One Sabin Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Board members present were Dave Duffy, Jason Fowler, Patrick Butler, Jeff Hirsh, Paul MacDonald and Marianne Corr.

Also in attendance, Jim McCarvill, Betty Sullivan and Kerrie Bennett, Convention Center Authority; Tim Muldoon, Deb Tuton and Nancy Beauchamp, SMG/RICC; Eric Ahlborg, ABM; Steve Duvel, Gilbane; Bruce Leach, Legal Counsel; Kate Moulding, Local 217, and Eileen Smith, Recording Secretary.

Mr. Duffy called the meeting to order at 3:10 pm and announced that the next meeting would be held on October 23, 2007 at 3:00 p.m.

Noting that the minutes of the August meeting had been distributed, Mr. Duffy sought a motion to approve. Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Butler and seconded by Mr. Hirsh it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes of the August meeting.

Ms. Beauchamp presented the financial report. She noted that the unfavorable variance in Net Income/Loss is attributable to the monthly recognition of scoreboard expense that was not originally budgeted. Ms. Beauchamp also noted that the inability to generate advertising revenue during construction adversely impacted revenue.

Mr. Duffy asked about suite payments. Ms. Sullivan responded that two checks had been received at the Authority office.

Mr. Lepore noted that Hannah Montana tickets would go on sale at the box office and through Ticketmaster on Saturday, September 29th with a very limited number of tickets. Mr. Lepore stated that tickets for this show will be a hot item and explained that the majority of seats were sold through the Myley World Fan Club web site. Ms. Bennett noted that the fan club tries to protect the geographic area by not selling to addresses outside the area. Mr. Butler asked if there was any way that the public could be informed that the promoter is responsible for the number of tickets available through Ticketmaster and the box office. Mr. Lepore stated that we have had some radio coverage informing the general public that there are a limited number of seats available.

Mr. Duffy asked Ms. Bennett and Mr. Duvel to update the Committee on the renovations. Mr. Duvel reported that there is a lot of work to be done. He said that workers are on site seven days a week. Mr.

Butler asked if there were additional costs for the seven day work week. Mr. Duvel answered that the budget allowed for an extended work week. Mr. Duvel noted that the suite egress stairs should be delivered on Monday. He said that the Fire Marshall has given verbal approval to the fire alarm system but he has some minor concerns which are being addressed. Mr. Duvel reported that the pedestrian bridge is 3 ½ inches to low and not ADA compliant. He said that the structure is sagging causing the floor to be too low and the incline too steep. Mr. Duffy asked how it could be corrected. Mr. Duvel said that a structural engineer was looking at ways to correct the problem. Mr. Fowler suggested a people mover or moving walkway. Mr. Duvel responded that it would be an interesting concept but he didn't think the bridge would be wide enough. Mr. Butler asked who would pay for the bridge corrections. Mr. Duvel stated that it would not be the Authority. Discussion ensued regarding the pedestrian bridge. Ms. Bennett reported that an interview with Mr. McCarvill regarding progress and expectations for the coming season could be heard on 93.3 tomorrow. Ms. Bennett also reported that many tours of the building have been scheduled during the next few weeks.

Mr. Duffy asked Mr. Ahlborg to report on Owner's Rep view of the renovation progress. Mr. Ahlborg noted that the trend of fewer change orders continues as expected. He noted that asbestos removal is down and hopefully more will not be uncovered. Mr. Ahlborg said that he continues to coordinate the independent inspections. Mr. Ahlborg cautioned that we have only a small

cushion and we need to guard against overspending. He noted that at the end of the job things tend to come up. He said that we have to be prudent and not go over budget. Mr. MacDonald referenced an article stating that the cost of steel has gone very high. Mr. Duvel assured the committee that all the steel was ordered prior to the recent huge price increase. Mr. MacDonald thanked Mr. Duvel and Mr. Ahlborg for their hard work.

Kate Moulding of Local 217 HERE asked to address the committee. Ms. Moulding stated that she wanted the committee informed that Local 217 was in negotiations with Sports Service at the Dunkin' Donuts Center.

Mr. Duffy asked if there was any other business. Hearing none he sought a motion to adjourn. Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Butler and seconded by Mr. Fowler it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn at 4:00 p.m.