

**Minutes of Special Meeting  
of the Board of Directors of  
Rio Nuevo Multipurpose Facilities District**

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**Tuesday, March 16, 2010**

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**Tucson Convention Center  
Tucson, Arizona**

The initial meeting of the reconstituted Board of Directors of the Rio Nuevo Multipurpose Facilities District was held on Tuesday, March 16, 2010 in the Maricopa Meeting Room of the Tucson Convention Center, 260 South Church Avenue, Tucson, Arizona commencing at 3:00 pm.

**1. Call to Order / Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm.

	<b>Appointee</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent/Excused</b>
Anne-Marie Russell, Chair	Tucson		x
Jeff DiGregorio (Acting Chair)	Tucson	x	
Jodi A. Bain, Member	Governor	x	
Edwin L. Biggers, Member	Governor	x	
Dan Eckstrom, Member	South Tucson		x
Scott Egan, Member	House	x	
Craig Finfrock, Member	Senate	x	
Carlotta Flores, Member	Governor	x	
Mark Irvin, Member	House	x	
David N. Jones, Member	Governor	x	
Alberto Moore, Member	Senate	x	
Victor Soltero, Member	South Tucson	x	
Alan F. Willenbrock, Member	Governor	x	

**2. Designation of Acting Chair – Jeff DiGregorio**

Mr. DiGregorio proposed that he continue to serve as the interim acting chair until such time as the original 4 member Board can meet and vote to repeal the weighted voting system currently in place pursuant to the Administrative Rules at which time new officers can be elected by the whole 13 member Board. Without objection, Mr. DiGregorio retained the chair.

**3. Introductions**

Each member of the Board present (both incumbents and newly appointed members) and the members of the staff introduced themselves to the audience.

**4. Call to Audience**

The following people spoke at the Call to the Audience: Steve Kozachik, Shari Hooker, Mikki Niemi, Craig Sumberg, Chuck Bressi, Gloria Alvillar, Ramsey Stevens, David Hayes.

**5. Consider (and, if appropriate, Approve) Minutes of November 18, 2009 Meeting**

The minutes could not be approved due to the lack of a quorum of the original 4 member Board in office at the time of the November meeting. The approval will be postponed until the next scheduled meeting.

**6. Presentation regarding District History and Administrative Matters – William Hicks**

Mr. Hicks gave a brief history of the Rio Nuevo Multipurpose Facilities District. He also presented a suggested list of administrative issues that require attention, including but not limited to, election of officers and employment of staff; physical offices/meeting facilities; various financial matters; procurement; recordkeeping; conflicts of interest; establishment and maintenance of an outreach program and website relating, at least, to expenditures; and insurance.

After some discussion, Interim Acting Chair DiGregorio asked the following board members to investigate and report to the Board concerning the following matters:

- Insurance – David N. Jones and Mark Irvin
- Administrative Items – Jodi A. Bain and Carlotta Flores
- Staff Assistance – Alan F. Willenbrock

Interim Acting Chair DiGregorio suggested having meetings approximately once a week until the new Board is comfortable it has the information it needs to move forward with any necessary decisions.

**7. Interim Executive Director's Report - Richard Miranda**

Mr. Miranda provided the Board with a report detailing the actions taken by the Executive Director on behalf of the original member Board. These actions were taken to fulfill district obligations and to ensure the successful completion of the District's projects. All actions were taken pursuant to directions of the original member Board.

By statute, the standing priorities for the District Board are the Convention Center Hotel and related Convention Center expansion projects, and existing contracts and obligations.

A detailed listing of each Executive Director Action was provided to the Board. Full documentation of each action is available for review at the Board's request and was requested. Pursuant to this request, Mr. Miranda will be presenting additional information at two separate meetings. One will cover the District's finances and one will cover existing contracts to which the District is a party and pursuant to which the District has current or future obligations.

*Motion to accept the Executive Director's Report as presented was made by Board Member David N. Jones, and seconded by Board Member Alberto Moore. Following discussion, the motion was approved unanimously 11-0.*

**8. Study Session re Status of TCC Expansion and Hotel Development – Greg Shelko and Steve Moffett**

The Garfield Traub team, including representatives of Garfield Traub, Turner Construction Company, Sundt Construction, and DLR Group, gave a detailed Powerpoint presentation regarding the Hotel RFQ, Design, Concept and Current Status. Sundt Construction detailed the Bid Process for the RFQ. Garfield Traub then provided information from the HVS Feasibility Study.

**9. Future Meetings Dates and Agenda Items**

- Next meeting is scheduled for March 24 from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the TCC
- Approval of November 18, 2009 minutes and March 16, 2010 minutes
- Discussion of Insurance, Administrative Items, and Staff Assistance
- Executive Director Report regarding Finances and Current Contracts
- All-Day workshop to discuss Hotel Project with Garfield Traub
- TCC Expansion and Capital Plan presentation by Piper Jaffray, Financial Advisor
- Administrative Rule
- Elections of Officers

**10. Adjournment**

On motion by Board Member David N. Jones, seconded by Board Member Carlotta Flores, the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 pm.