



### Minnesota Ballpark Authority Board Meeting Minutes – January 8, 2015

Chair Margaret Anderson Kelliher called the board meeting of the Minnesota Ballpark Authority for January 8, 2015 to order at 1:00 p.m. The roll was taken. Commissioners Barb Sykora, Paul Williams, Joan Campbell and Martin Olav Sabo were present.

Commissioner Sykora moved approval of the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Campbell and approved unanimously – 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

**APPROVED**

Commissioner Campbell moved approval of the October 9, 2014 meeting minutes and of the Special Meeting minutes from December 2, 2014 seconded by Commissioner Williams and approved unanimously – 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS.

**APPROVED**

**Chair's Report** – Chair Anderson Kelliher thanked Commissioners and staff for helping her to get acquainted with Target Field and is happy to be a part of the Minnesota Ballpark Authority.

**Executive Director's Report** – Executive Director Dan Kenney reported that the two off season enhancement projects at Gate 6 and on suite level have begun. The MBA's 2013 Annual Financial Report has been finalized and printed for distribution. Executive Director Kenney also reported that he is now serving on the City of Minneapolis Park Board Downtown Public Realm Technical Advisory Committee.

#### **ACTION ITEMS – Resolution 15-MBA-109**

##### **Purpose:**

To elect officers to the Minnesota Ballpark Authority Board.

##### **Background:**

The MBA Chair is appointed by the Hennepin County Board pursuant to the ballpark legislation. The MBA by-laws provide that in addition to the Chair, there will be a Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer elected from the Authority's membership at the organizational meeting of the Authority and thereafter shall be elected annually at the first regular meeting of each year by a majority vote of the Authority members.

##### **Action Requested:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following MBA Commissioners will serve in the subsequent officer positions: Martin Olav Sabo, Vice-Chair, Barb Sykora, Secretary and Joan Campbell, Treasurer.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Target Field Operations Update – Matt Hoy, MN Twins, Senior VP Operations** – Mr. Hoy reported that Twins management and Populous are having a two day meeting to develop a master plan for the facility and to formulate a list of potential new features that could be added over the next several years to keep Target Field a number one sports/entertainment venue. Part of the master plan discussion is to have the ability to use the facility over the winter months which will require heating on the main concourse and on the terrace level. The construction projects at Gate 6 and on suite level are underway along with sound insulation being installed in the press/radio booth. There have been no bad weather related incidents so far this year.

Mr. Hoy also reported on activities at Target Field Station saying that movies, World Cup viewing parties, and concerts held there during the summer went very well. For event day arrivals, the Twins are talking with Metro Transit about having the LRT proceed directly to the Target Field Station platform, to let patrons off where the programming is taking place. The snow removal heating system is working well at Target Field Station and Metro Transit has been doing a good job of snow removal around the platforms.

**MBA Financial Report - Brenda Juneau, MBA Finance Coordinator** – Ms. Juneau stated that the Financial Report in the meeting packet is through November of 2014 and that year end information will be available at the April 2015 meeting. The ending fund balance in the Capital Project Fund will be down from the previous year because of contributions of just under \$300,000.00 for public art and \$1.5 million for the Interchange Project. The General Fund ending balance will be close to the same as last year. Since expenses were less than budgeted in 2014, the grant request from Hennepin County was reduced from \$850,000.00 to \$600,000.00.

*There being no further business, Chair Kelliher moved to adjourn. The motion was approved unanimously - 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS. The board meeting of the Minnesota Ballpark Authority for January 8, 2015 was adjourned at 1:30 P.M.*

**Next Meeting: April 9, 2015 Target Field Tour Theatre**