

Performing Arts Center Board Minutes 06/16/2010

SIMSBURY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 16, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dave Ryan called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. In addition to Mr. Ryan, Board members Janet Goman, Ken Mason, and Greg Piecuch were present. Also in attendance were David C. Bell, Venue Manager, Gerry Toner, Director of Parks & Recreation, and Nick Buccarella.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Piecuch moved to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2010, meeting. Mr. Mason seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. ATC REPORT ON 2009-2010 PLAN – MARKETING, OPERATIONS, BUDGET

Mr. Bell presented an oral report to the Board. He stated that the venue was nearly ready for the start of the TMMF. Items such as painting of parking lines, installation of sound towers and delivery of port-o-lets were complete. Fencing is about to be installed. Mr. Bell and Mr. Toner are working with the town and the vendor to finalize plans for fireworks. The High School is all set for their graduation ceremony. Mr. Bell also mentioned that he would be reviewing the facility's evacuation plan. No further action was taken

IV. IMPACT OF BOS ACTION ON GOVERNANCE

RECOMMENDATION

Mr. Ryan stated that he and Mr. Piecuch addressed the Board of Selectmen concerning the recommendation that a 501(c)(3) be formed, and that the Board of Selectmen approved the recommendation. Attorney DeCrescenzo will begin the process of drafting the required documents. No further action was taken.

V. NPE – TICKET NETWORK PROPOSAL – REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Dan Pulliam from Ticket Network gave a brief presentation to the Board. His company was continuing to have discussions with members of the Economic Development Commission and other town officials concerning a possible arrangement with the facility. It was agreed to defer any action until those discussions were completed. No further action was taken.

VI. DISCUSSION OF 2010 SUMMER PROGRAMMING OPTIONS

Mr. Bell reported Mr. Patrina's New England Music Festival was on track and that the parties were in the process of executing the license agreement. He further reported that REACH Foundation has yet to secure an artist. Accordingly, the plans for a REACH Festival in late August are on hold.

VII. POSSIBLE LABOR DAY WEEKEND CO-PROMOTION

Mr. Bell reported that a possible Labor Day Weekend event was on hold pending any further action by the REACH Foundation. Without the REACH Music Festival, it may not make economic sense to co-promote a show on Labor Day Weekend. No action was taken.

VIII. CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBLE REQUESTS TO USE

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Mr. Ryan reported on a use request from the Davet Syndrome Foundation for September 26, 2010. It was noted that this date fell outside the entertainment season.

Mr. Mason moved to recommend that the Board of Selectmen approve the Davet Syndrome Foundation's request to use the facility contingent upon: (a) the execution of a facility use agreement in a form acceptable to town staff and the town attorney, (b) the reimbursement to the Town of Simsbury of any costs incurred by the town, and (c) the timely issuance of a public gathering permit. Mrs. Goman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Piecuch moved to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. Mr. Mason seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory W. Piecuch
Vice-Chairman