



**REGULAR SESSION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: November 16, 2023

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Commission Meeting Room, Two DeKorte Park Plaza, Lyndhurst

**Members in Attendance:**

John Ballantyne, Chairman

Paul Juliano, President and CEO

Joseph Buckelew, Vice Chairman (via phone)

Armando Fontoura, Member

Michael H. Gluck, Esq., Member

Gail B. Gordon, Esq., Member

Michael Griffin, NJ State Treasurer's Representative (via phone)

Woody Knopf, Member (via phone)

Tom Mullahey, Member

Eric S. Pennington, Esq., Member (via phone)

Steven Plofker, Esq., Member (via phone)

Anthony Scardino, Member

Louis J. Stellato, Member (via phone)

**Absent:**

Robert Dowd, Member

Michael Gonnelli, Member

**Also Attending:**

Nicholas Mammano, Chief of Staff

Christine Sanz, Senior Vice President / Chief Operating Officer

Robert Davidow, Senior Vice President of Legal & Regulatory Affairs

John Duffy, Senior Vice President of Sports Complex Operations & Facilities (via phone)

Adam Levy, Vice President of Legal & Regulatory Affairs

Sara Sundell, Director of Land Use Management and Chief Engineer

Anna Acanfora, Director of Finance and CFO

Jamera Sirmans, Governor's Authorities Unit

Colleen Mercado, Executive Administrative Specialist

Chairman Ballantyne called the meeting to order.

- I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- II. **OPENING STATEMENT** – Chairman Ballantyne read the Notice of Meeting required under the Sunshine Law.
- III. **ROLL CALL**

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Chairman Ballantyne presented the minutes from the October 26, 2023 Regular Session Board meeting.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Gluck and seconded by Commissioner Scardino the minutes of the Regular Session Board Meeting held on October 26, 2023 were approved with a vote of 13-0.

Chairman Ballantyne presented the report of cash disbursements over \$100,000 for the month of October, 2023.

Upon motion by Commissioner Scardino and seconded by Commissioner Fontoura the cash disbursements over \$100,000 for the month of October, 2023 were unanimously approved.

#### V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON RESOLUTIONS - None

#### VI. APPROVALS

<u>Resolution 2023-42</u>	Consideration of a Resolution Adopting the 2024 NJSEA Annual Schedule of Meetings.
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Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2023-42. Upon motion by Commissioner Gluck and seconded by Commissioner Scardino, Resolution 2023-42 was approved by a vote of 13-0.

<u>Resolution 2023-43</u>	Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Settlement Agreement in the Matter New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority v. ACE American Insurance Company Docket Number BER-L-002827-21.
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Ms. Sanz explained that as per previous legal briefings to the Board, staff negotiated a settlement agreement with ACE American Insurance Company in favor of the Authority in the amount of \$2.75 million. She noted that the Settlement Agreement was attached to the Resolution.

Vice Chairman Buckelew complimented staff on the good work in negotiating this settlement.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2023-43. Upon motion by Commissioner Gluck and seconded by Vice Chairman Buckelew, Resolution 2023-43 was approved by a vote of 13-0.

#### VII. CONTRACTS/AWARDS

<u>Resolution 2023-44</u>	Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing a Contract with High Energy Electrical Testing, Inc., a RESA Power Company of New Jersey for a Transformer One Replacement in East Rutherford.
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Mr. Davidow said that he was standing in for Mr. Duffy. He explained that a request for bids for a transformer replacement was publicly advertised in August 2023, with three responsive bids being received. He said the lowest responsive bid was received from RESA Power Company of New Jersey in the amount of \$1.296 million. He noted that the transformer being replaced was over fifty years old and that the cost of a new unit versus repair was more beneficial to the Authority.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2023-44. Upon motion by Commissioner Scardino and seconded by Commissioner Mullahey, Resolution 2023-44 was approved by a vote of 13-0.

VIII. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** - None

IX. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Ballantyne advised that there was no need for Executive Session.


Before adjourning, Chairman Ballantyne encouraged everyone to attend the Meadowlands Bald Eagle Festival being held at DeKorte Park on Sunday, January 14, 2024. He wished everyone on behalf of the Board a very safe and happy Thanksgiving.

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Scardino and seconded by Commissioner Fontoura followed by all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

I certify that on information and belief this is a true and accurate transcript of the Minutes of the Regular Session of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority Board Meeting held on November 16, 2023.



Christine A. Sanz  
Secretary

November 16, 2023

Commissioner	Roll Call	2023-42	2023-43	2023-44
Ballantyne, Chairman	P	Y	Y	Y
Bucklelew, Vice Chairman -via phone	P	Y	Y	Y
Juliano	P	Y	Y	Y
Dowd	--	--	--	--
Fontoura	P	Y	Y	Y
Gluck	P	Y	Y	Y
Gonnelli	--	--	--	--
Gordon	P	Y	Y	Y
Knopf - via phone	P	Y	Y	Y
Mullahey	P	Y	Y	Y
Pennington - via phone	P	Y	Y	Y
Plofker - via phone	P	Y	Y	Y
Scardino	p	Y	Y	Y
Stellato - via phone	P	Y	Y	Y
Treasury Rep Griffin - via phone	P	Y	Y	Y

P = Present A = Abstain -- Absent

R = Recuse Y = Affirmative N = Negative