

**Minutes from the Board Meeting of the
Pima County Sports & Tourism Authority Board
5 September 2012**

1. Call to Order/Pledge TIME: 12:05
2. Welcome and introductions

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Keith Alexander	No
Jim Arnold	Yes
David Cohen	Yes
John Grabo	Yes
Regan Jasper	Yes
Justin Lanne	Yes
Eddie Leon	Yes
Suzy Mason	No
Linda McNulty	Yes
Dave Sitton	Yes
Edgar Soto	Yes
David Stevenson	Yes
Vince Trinidad	Yes
Mike Varney	Yes

<u>Staff & Advisors</u>	
Mike Holmes	Yes
Tom Moulton	Yes
Dan Schneider	No
Pat Lopez	Yes

- Guests
- Hank Atha, Pima County
 - Becky Pallack, Arizona Daily Star
 - Jun An, Pima County
 - Sheldon Gutman, Citizen
 - Michael Halchak, Populous
 - Tom Tracy, Citizen
 - Mike Feder, Tucson Padres
 - Jim Tiggas, Tucson Invitational Games
 - Mike Grassinger, The Planning Center

2. Populous/Planning Center Sports Facilities Assessment Proposal. Linda McNulty reported that Pima County had agreed to contract for the Populous/Planning Center Study. Input from working groups including County, PCSTA, and many others. PCSTA will be represented on a stewardship group by Linda McNulty and Vince Trinidad.

3. Intergovernmental Agreement with Pima County. The Intergovernmental Agreement will be placed on the agenda for the County Board of Supervisors on the 18th

4. 2012 - 2013 Budget Proposal. Excluding the \$49,000 cost of the Populous/Planning Center Study, the amended budget provides \$50,000 to the PCSTA for operations and salary. Additionally, the PCSTA received approx. \$22,000 from the Spring Training Games in March of 2012. Vince Trinidad moved to accept the budget, Mike Varney seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Appointment of Board Secretary. This item was combined with item 6.

6. Discussion on vacant Board of Director position. Eddie Leon nominated Vince Trinidad to fill the vacant position of Board Secretary. Jim Arnold seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

After a general discussion, the board unanimously decided to invite Seaton Claggett of Tri Sports to fill the Board position vacated by Rick Grinnell.

7. Approval of Minutes of May 2, 2012 and June 26, 2012. Jim Arnold moved to approve both sets of minutes, Edgar Soto seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

8. Update on Tucson Padres and FC Tucson.

- Tucson Padres have negotiated a one year extension of their current contract with Kino Sports Complex, with a buyout if they leave early.
- FC Tucson has negotiated to bring back the Desert Diamond Cup in 2013. In addition, the baseball fields north of Ajo are being converted to Soccer for the upcoming season.
- Mexican Baseball Fiesta will return from October 4-7 at Kino Stadium.

9. Next meeting and agenda items for discussion. The next meeting will be on 10th October at noon.

10. Call to the public. Sheldon Gutman spoke at length on the desirability of keeping the Tucson Padres and somehow getting Major League Spring Training to return. Jim Tiggas spoke on the upcoming need for more Baseball Fields to support the Tucson Invitational Games. There will be enough fields for 2013, but beyond that there may be a shortage.

12. Adjournment: 1:42pm