



PEORIA CIVIC CENTER AUTHORITY

May 28, 2026, at 4:00 PM

MINUTES

Chair Semonis called the meeting of the Peoria Civic Center Authority to order at 4:00 PM, Thursday, May 28, 2026, at the Peoria Civic Center, 201 SW Jefferson Avenue in Peoria, Illinois in Room 401.

Voting Authority Members Present:

Chair Richard Semonis
Commissioner Yvonne Greer-Batton
Commissioner Karrie Ross
Commissioner Lon Lyons
Commissioner Matt Bartolo
Commissioner Cynthia Oliveros

Voting Authority Members Absent:

Commissioner Christell Frausto Aboytes

Non-Voting Authority Members Present:

Commissioner Timothy Riggerbach

Non-Voting Authority Members Absent:

Commissioner Joseph Dalfonso

PCC / ASM Global Staff Present:

Rik Edgar, General Manager
Beau Sutherland – Assistant General Manager
Mindi Baumann – Director of Finance
Will Kenney – Director of Operations
Bob Gates – PCC Legal Counsel
Bobbi Moreland – PACVB Director of Sales
Kyle Cratty – City of Peoria Finance Director
Bethany Haptas - Administrative Coordinator

Chair Semonis called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. The Chair requested that roll call be taken. Quorum present.

OPERATING REPORTS:

Venue Report:

General Manager Rik Edgar submitted the venue report. As of April 30, the venue was \$1.4M ahead of operating income compared to budget and \$675,000 ahead of FY25. The current AGI was up \$700,000 from any previous year at the two-third's mark in the fiscal year in the venue's history, and the facility surpassed the annual budget expectation for AGI. The Prairie Home Alliance Theater held a successful capacity concert with The Rock Orchestra on April 18 and a sold-out CeCe Winans concert on April 22. Mr. Edgar stated that the venue's Fall calendar looked promising: strong anticipation of thousands of Midwest participants traveling to Peoria for the Future Play Festival on October 1-3, thirteen theater events in October, and the most concert inventory for the October-December period in Carver Arena since 2023.

PACVB Report:

Bobbi Moreland, Director of Sales for PACVB, submitted the report. Attendee registration for the beatification of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen was in full swing with 3,100 confirmed hotel reservations. Hotel Occupancy YTD: 52.4%, which was up 4.7% in the region. Two strong occupancy drivers included Water Con and Skills USA. Discover Peoria and the Peoria Civic Center participated in the Connect Spring Marketplace held in Louisville, Kentucky where three RFPs were received for multi-year events from planners with the association market. Ms. Moreland went on to note that the SportsETA Symposium in Las Vegas marked the highest number of appointments (53 out of 60) secured at any conference to date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee:

Director of Finance Mindi Baumann reviewed the April 2026 financial statements. In April, we had twenty-nine event days with an attendance of 30,784. 1 HRA funded event: Clean Water Celebration. Total event income was up compared to budget. Successful events included CeCe Winans, The Rock Orchestra, IL Association of School Business Officials, Skills Conference, and Clean Water Conference. Ticket Rebates were down compared to budget, and Convention Services were up compared to budget. General and Administrative Expenses were down compared to budget. Our Net Income was up compared to budget.

Capital Committee:

Director of Operations Will Kenney presented updates on capital activities.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Minutes from April 23, 2026, PCCA Meeting

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda Items:

Moved: Commissioner Greer-Batton. Seconded: Commissioner Bartolo. Passed by unanimous consent.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Receive, File, Approve Committee Reports and Recommendations

Motion to Approve Action Items #1

Moved: Commissioner Greer-Batton. Seconded: Commissioner Lyons. Passed by unanimous consent.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

Chairman Semonis highlighted several of Mr. Edgar's successes during his 8-year tenure as General Manager of the Peoria Civic Center, wishing Mr. Edgar the best upon his upcoming departure for a venue in Moline, Illinois. Commissioner Greer-Batton also read and presented Mr. Edgar with a Board proclamation, celebrating his visionary leadership and operational excellence.

Public Comment:

NONE

Executive Session:

NONE

Correspondence / Misc.

Reminder: The next regularly scheduled PCCA meeting is June 25, 2026, at 4:00pm in the Peoria Civic Center Room 401.

Adjournment:

Upon conclusion of business items, motion made by Chair Semonis for unanimous consent to adjourn meeting.

Motion of Unanimous Consent to Adjourn:

Moved: Commissioner Greer-Batton. Seconded: Commissioner Ross. Passed by unanimous consent.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 PM.