## **CORPORATION MEETING MINUTES || 12 4 23**

**Regular Meeting** (November and December)

- The Board called meeting to order at 12:00 PM
- No public comment
- Motion to approve minutes for October 24, 2023 Board Meeting
- Approved by Jay Stoyles, seconded by Bill Wiktor; motion carries unanimously
- o President's Report, Joe Ward
  - Joe introduced Tim Seeberg, new General Manager
  - Tim spoke of new role and gave venue rundown as well as previous employment
  - Paula Lynch, Director of Finance, and Nick Landy, Vice
    President of Administration, provided a financial update
    - Mayo Civic Center saw a net gain of \$282,000 over budget, which was more than \$261,000 budgeted; under budget on expenses and administrative
    - Operating expenses were over for the month
    - The DMO had a net gain over budget; year to date, the corporation was down
    - · Nick presented financial packet
    - Alison Zelms commented
    - Joe commented on budget process and oversight
  - Bill Von Bank, Vice President of Marketing + Communications, provided a marketing update
    - Bill talked about marketing live shows
    - Pre-promotion is being done for New Year's Eve event
    - Experience Rochester is hosting Restaurant Week
    - With partner accouncement, ER has talked about the huge initiative
    - · ER has seen phenomenal coverage from media
    - Bill spoke of leveraging what's happening in Rochester with conferences (tourism); how do we keep that alive and embrace

- Joe commented on scale of announcement of new partner project
- Alison commented on development
- Bill commented on media inquiries
- Angie Richards, Vice President of Sales, provided a sales update
  - Angie introduced Melissa Wiles, Senior Sales Manager, healthcare market
  - Angie highlighted extensive work/focus on customer experience
  - Key Performance Indicator's were presented for July September; there was 9.4 million direct spending into the community
  - 233% on high impact weeks
  - 75% overall experience was excellent or very good on planner surveys; sales is working to have more planners fill out the survey
  - Joe commented on survey process
  - Sales booked 21 civic engagements with over 20,000 attendees
  - Q3 goal for room nights was over goal
  - Joe commented on Economic Impact and Key Performance Indicators
  - Melissa presented on market segment deep dive
  - Attendees for events double and tripled in 2022 and 2023 over 2019
  - Revenues were up 45% year over year growth
  - Melissa continues to maintain current clients as well as looking for new revenue streams; prospecting with existing clients
  - Melissa sells through cold calling, referrals, networking; making sure pipelines are always full
  - Melissa assists clients in booking hotel rooms, executing space; full service and quick to resolve issues when they arrive
  - MCC event that hosted over 4,000 attendees had a positive experience with several positive comments
  - Angie noted that sales had been collaborating with local groups and partnered with several cultural events

- Angle commented on intentionally growing hosting civic events
- Tim Seeberg, General Manager, provided an operational and event update
  - Tim spoke of convention and live entertainment events; several shows did very well
  - Tim gave a new staff update
  - Tim gave event update for December
  - Joe commented on events and new staff
  - Nick commented on adding new staff and adding new processes
  - Joe commented internal Hospitality Hero program
- Charles Lawrence, Regional Vice President of Operations, provided a food and beverage update
  - Charles talked about staff removal and rehiring
  - An Interim General Manager is in place along with staff promotions
  - Charles gave highlights from October and November events
  - Food + Beverage has been working with local groups + volunteers
  - Food + Beverage saw it's most successful month ever at MCC
  - Charles gave staffing update for two new people and one promotion
  - Point of Sales systems have been updated for concession stands
  - New POS systems for bar services; better experience for staff and guests
- $\circ\hspace{0.1in}$  Joe Ward provided an organizational update
  - Joe commented on amoritization and revisiting contracts
  - Joe also commented on budget and tight run; new standards set forth for contracts and cash flow, meeting goals and operating model
  - Joe discussed investment with partners and outside operators
  - Alison commented on 2024 budget
  - Joe spoke of goals for MCC
  - Call to Action: 2024 Budget approval; Bill Wiktor accepted,
    Jay Stoyles seconded; motion carries unanimously

 Meeting adjourned 1:07 PM, approved by Bill Wiktor, seconded by Jay Stoyles; motion carries unanimously