

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
of the
MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY
December 14, 2023

A meeting of the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority (“Authority”) was convened on December 14, 2023, via MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING OR JOIN BY TELEPHONE: DIAL-IN NUMBER 1-857-702-2232; CONFERENCE ID: 897 975 188#.

Members in attendance via MICROSOFT TEAMS were the following: Emme Handy, Carlos Aramayo, Cindy Brown, Sheena Collier, Xiomara Alban DeLobato, Michael Donovan, Michael F. Flaherty, Ashley Groffenberger, Meg Mainzer-Cohen, Dr. Aisha Miller, Chris Pappas, Khushbu Webber, and Gwill York.

Staff members in attendance via MICROSOFT TEAMS were the following: Diane DiAntonio, John Donahue, Christopher Donato, Michael Esmond, Herschel Herndon, Robert Noonan, David Silk, Devin Taylor, Joanne Pages, and Mark O’Leary.

Board Special Counsel Tom Kiley was also in attendance.

I. ROLL CALL

Chair Emme Handy called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., and a quorum was established by a roll call.

Emme Handy	Present
Carlos Aramayo	Present
Cynthia Brown	Present
Sheena Collier	Present
Xiomara Alban DeLobato	Present
Michael Donovan	Present
Michael F. Flaherty	Present
Ashley Groffenberger	Present
Meg Mainzer-Cohen	Present
Dr. Aisha Miller	Present
Chris Pappas	Present
Khushbu Webber	Present
Gwill York	Present

II. BOARD VOTE - JUNIPER SUPPORT MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

Robert Noonan, Chief Information Security Officer, made a presentation to the Board seeking the renewal of the Juniper Support Maintenance Agreement.

The Authority is requesting the renewal of the Juniper Support Maintenance Agreement to ensure network stability and security for the BCEC, Hynes, and Boston Common Garage network infrastructure.

The Authority network consists of two main business operational functions: the Internal Corporate Network and the External Show Network. The network infrastructure consists of Core Routers, Distribution switches, Edge switches and Firewalls for the BCEC, Hynes, and Boston Common Garage.

The Juniper Support Maintenance agreement term begins on December 13, 2023, and ends on December 14, 2024.

The Juniper Support Maintenance Agreement falls under the ITT72 State Contract and adheres to the State contract pricing. In conjunction with the Authority's procurement team, we are requesting to renew our Juniper Support Maintenance Agreement with the licensed reseller ConvergeOne in an amount not to exceed \$459,810.77.

A motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to approve by roll call vote as follows:

VOTE: The Massachusetts Convention Center Authority hereby authorizes the Executive Director or designee to enter into a contract for the services of ConvergeOne to support MCCA network equipment in an amount not to exceed \$459,810.77.

Emme Handy	Yes
Carlos Aramayo	Yes
Cynthia Brown	Yes
Sheena Collier	Yes
Xiomara Alban DeLobato	Yes
Michael Donovan	Yes
Michael F. Flaherty	Yes
Ashley Groffenberger	Yes
Meg Mainzer-Cohen	Yes
Dr. Aisha Miller	Yes
Chris Pappas	Yes
Khushbu Webber	Yes
Gwill York	Yes

III. REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Executive Committee Chair Emme Handy proposed that Gloria Cordes Larson be considered by the Board to fill the role as an interim executive director to allow the Board to conduct a search for the vacant Executive Director position.

1. Board Vote – Succession Planning for Authority Executive Director

Gloria Cordes Larson served as the Chairwoman of the Board of the Authority from 1999 to 2010. Under her leadership, the organization oversaw the renovation of the MassMutual Center in Springfield and the construction of the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, which opened in June 2004.

In 2007, Ms. Larson was named president of Bentley University by the board of trustees and served as president until June 2018.

Ms. Larson was the first woman to serve as Chairwoman of the Board of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce and continues to serve on the Chamber's Executive Committee.

A motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to approve by roll call vote as follows:

VOTE: The Massachusetts Convention Center Authority hereby appoints Gloria Cordes Larson to fill the role as interim executive director of the Authority, effective as of January 3, 2024, to exercise all powers and directs that she undertakes all duties and obligations of Executive Director as provided by law, the by-laws of the Authority and any resolution or other vote of the Authority, heretofore adopted, including but not limited to St. 1982, c. 190 § 31 et. seq.; St. 1997, c. 152; and, St. 2014, c. 195, and to hold such position until such time as an Executive Director is appointed pursuant to St. 1977, c. 152, §24 or as is otherwise provided by vote of the Authority. The Chairwoman of the Authority or such designee as the Chairwoman shall determine, is authorized, and directed to enter into, on behalf of the Authority, a contract with Gloria Cordes Larson to serve as an interim executive director of the Authority, upon the terms and conditions deemed appropriate by said Chairwoman.

Emme Handy	Yes
Carlos Aramayo	Yes
Cynthia Brown	Yes
Sheena Collier	Yes
Xiomara Alban DeLobato	Yes
Michael Donovan	Yes
Michael F. Flaherty	Yes
Ashley Groffenberger	Yes
Meg Mainzer-Cohen	Yes
Dr. Aisha Miller	Yes
Chris Pappas	Yes
Khushbu Webber	Yes
Gwill York	Yes

IV. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

V. OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned by a unanimous roll call vote at 5:00 p.m.

Emme Handy	Yes
Carlos Aramayo	Yes
Cynthia Brown	Yes
Sheena Collier	Yes
Xiomara Alban DeLobato	Yes
Michael Donovan	Yes
Michael F. Flaherty	Yes
Ashley Groffenberger	Yes
Meg Mainzer-Cohen	Yes
Dr. Aisha Miller	Yes
Chris Pappas	Yes
Khushbu Webber	Yes
Gwill York	Yes

ATTEST:



Christopher R. Donato
General Counsel

Dated: 1/30/24