

**BENTON H. WILCOXON  
MUNICIPAL ICE COMPLEX  
BOARD OF CONTROL  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

**All motions passed unanimously unless otherwise stated.**

**MINUTES OF January 18, 2017:**

**Presiding Officer:** Mike Finnegan

**Present:** **Board Members:**  
Fred Hudson  
Ed Ragland  
Keith Schonrock, III  
Ralph Stone  
Kimberly Ford  
Susan Phelan  
Chuck Saunders  
Jan Davis

**Absent:**

**Facility Representatives:** Steve Clough  
Dita Dotson-Bowser  
Chantay Naeger  
Hollie Beaver  
Ryan McCormick

**Press Representatives:** None

**Visitors:** Chuck Brand – Accountant from Brand Blackwell & Company

**Call to Order:** Mike called the meeting to order at 5:15pm

**Minutes:** None

**Public Comments:** None

**Chairman's Report:** Chuck Brand presented the 2015/2016 Financial Audit including a cash flow statement. A full report was given to each Board Member.

**SCH Report:** None

**FRIA Report:**

The IRS audit of the 2014 financials has been completed. All activity was cleared. There was a total of \$2,150 donations made in the month of December, \$800 of that total was in honor of Lauren Mosley’s campaign.

FRIA Checking Account	\$ 10,282.31
Sponsorship/Scholarship Account	\$ 109.13
Capital Improvements Account	\$159,840.86
M. Dotson Memorial Fund	\$ 1,597.51
Avadian Savings Account	<u>\$ 5.00</u>
Grand Total	\$171,834.81

**Financial Report:**

Steve Clough provided an itemized description of the December financial reports highlighting the following key items:

- Facility totals were slightly up over last year.
- Admissions were up due to commercials and social media efforts.
- TPH ice time includes the 4 on 4 tournament played during Christmas break
- Utility expenses increased due to more ice being rented.
- Total net income reflects a \$7,936.59 improvement over last December.

**Facility Financials:**

General Checking Account	\$66,546.68
Reserve Account	\$29,825.16
Expansion Account	<u>\$ 3,446.02</u>
Grand Total	\$99,817.86

**Senior Manager's Report:**

We are set to host the SE District Hockey Tournament March 16<sup>th</sup> through the 19<sup>th</sup>. There will be 16 teams total. This tournament will be very positive to Huntsville’s economic impact. The rink has partnered with WFIX and will have the annual BIG FIX Chill Out event on 1/26/17. This event attracts church groups from around the Decatur & Huntsville areas and includes live broadcasting from within the rink and a prize wheel for all to participate. Hollie and Steve discussed the upcoming 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration including partnering with the Havoc and their Booster Club. The rink will be selling \$10 tickets which includes admission to both the Alumni hockey game and the Havoc game immediately following. With a 200 ticket minimum, the Ice Complex keeps \$5 for every ticket sold. Gaming table sponsorships for the Casino night on April 2<sup>nd</sup> are \$250 per table, the rink has received one sponsor thus far. The new FRIA donation plaques are in at Crown Trophy and will be on display next week. Kimberly suggested that all Board Members be directly sent any major Facebook posts so they may share and re-post.

- Incident Report:** As reported
- Fundraising Report:** As reported
- HSSTA Report:** HSSTA has taken the lead on the Grand Prix skating Competition. Dita and Stephen are diligently working on all aspects including online entry and registration and maximizing revenue possibilities. Additional info as reported.
- HR Report:** Dita has shifted her primary focus to the skating school. HR is currently being transitioned to Steve and Chantay.
- Maintenance Report:** As reported
- Hockey Report:** The Freedom Tournament in January received many compliments about the facility and the overall tournament itself. Additional info as reported.
- January Parties: 28 January Groups: 2**
- Committee Reports:** Mike Finnegan announced that Ed Ragland was voted in as treasurer by email.
- Old Business:** It was stated that moving forward, the Board Members would like to keep the FRIA financials separate from the facility financials and also have a separate area in the lobby devoted strictly to FRIA and its Board Members. Kimberly advised that Dita can legally remain on the FRIA board but not vote on self-related issues. Keith expressed that there is a gap in knowledge transfer on what FRIA actually is. The public needs a better understanding on where donations are going and the next step in the expansion project. A Town Hall meeting would be an appropriate way to convey the ‘what and when’ questions about the expansion. In addition to the FRIA board, there also needs to be a selection committee for the scholarship account. Mike requested a FRIA meeting for further discussions.
- New Business:** None
- Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 6:25pm. The next scheduled Board meeting will be February 15, 2017 at 5:15pm.