

**Vermilion County Metropolitan Exposition Auditorium
And Office Building Authority**

Minutes of the Board of Directors
September 24, 2025 – 5:30 p.m.

Present: Jason Baer, Jakob Dazey, Kim Hoffman, Erik O’Kane, Amie Pounds, and Alex Rosdail.

Absent: Ryan Brumfield, Dylan Haun, O. J. Harrison, Dean Shore, Matt Sims and Stephanie Yates.

Attending: Andrew Mudd and Teri Gaffney.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call: The roll call was taken. A quorum was not present.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of August 27, 2025 were reviewed. As no quorum was present, acceptance of the Minutes was deferred.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No comments were received.

OLD BUSINESS:

Hockey Team Update – It was reported that Bo Cheesman has been in negotiations with the league. He believes that he will have more information within the next two weeks.

Community Solar Agreement: No new information was received.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance: The financial information for the month of August of 2025 was reviewed. As no quorum was present, acceptance of the report was deferred.

Events Committee: The Minutes of the Events Committee of September 17, 2025 were available for review. The Committee is continuing its work for the Comedy Show in November. Chris Hightower will be the Master of Ceremonies for the night and three comedians have been secured – Nurse Stankk, Jim Perry and Nick Guerra. Another promoter is planning a time to come to the Arena to talk with us.

Ms. Hoffman stated that she is planning an open house for the Arena. She is looking to invite local businesses to reintroduce ourselves to the community. The Committee members were reminded that the Open House would need to be published to the local media in order to not violate the Open Meetings Act.

NEW BUSINESS:

Health Insurance – Management is continuing its search for a provider of the health insurance product for the employees of the Arena. Aetna continues to be the most reasonably priced product and comparable to what had been provided through Health Alliance.

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Copier Lease – The present lease on the copier is expiring and three bids have been received. The lowest bid is from DTI Office Solutions in Tilton. The lease is for less money than is presently paid in the current lease.

MANAGEMENT REPORT: The new compressors are being installed this week by Blackie's. The ice has been reinstalled, and the first events were held over the weekend. Danville Youth Hockey is continuing to rebuild its program while Champaign Youth Hockey is struggling. The Pickup Hockey League is planning to have at least eight games this season.

The members were reminded that the annual Kiwanis Pancake Day will be at the Arena tomorrow.

OTHER BUSINESS: None reported.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: As there was no need for an Executive Session, this was deferred.

NEXT MEETING: The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors is Wednesday, December 3, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Kim Hoffman, Chairperson