

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF WORLD TRADE CENTER SAN DIEGO, INC.**

Minutes

Thursday, November 16, 2023

2:00 PM

Port of San Diego

Don L. Nay Port Administration Boardroom 3165 Pacific Hwy.
San Diego, CA 92101

Board of Directors

Robert H. Gleason, Chair (SDCRAA)

Christina Bibler, Secretary (City of San Diego)

Daniel Malcolm, Jr., Treasurer (SDUPD)

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Gleason called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the World Trade Center San Diego, Inc. to order at 2:13 p.m., on Thursday, November 16, 2023, in the Port of San Diego's Don L. Nay Port Administration Boardroom, 3165 Pacific Hwy, San Diego, CA 92101.

ROLL CALL

Present: Board Members: Christina Bibler, Robert H. Gleason, Dan Malcolm
Absent: Board Members: None

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

Chair Gleason announced that the November meeting will be his last serving on the Board for the World Trade Center San Diego. Mr. Gleason remembered and thanked the many colleagues that he has served with throughout the years.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Minutes of the May 18, 2023, Board meeting.

ACTION: Moved by Board Member Bibler and seconded by Board Member Malcolm to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2024

The Board tabled this item until 2024.

3. STATUS UPDATE ON 2023 WORKPLAN

Nikia Clarke, Executive Director, World Trade Center San Diego (WTC), provided an update on the 2023 Work Plan that included updates on exports, foreign investment, and global identity strategies. The Board was briefed on MetroConnect VI, the Small Business Development Center, and highlights from the Mayoral Trade Mission to Seoul Korea.

4. UPDATE ON GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS COUNCIL, LICENSE HOLDER DELIVERABLES AND 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

Nikia Clarke, World Trade Center San Diego, provided status regarding the license holder's key deliverables accomplishments and goals, as well as provided an update on the current Global Competitiveness Council (GCC). Dr. Clarke also informed the Board that the 2023 Annual Report is not complete and provided a link to the Board for their preliminary review.

5. REVIEW AND ADOPT 2024 WORKPLAN

The 2024 Workplan will be addressed at the next meeting calendared in 2024.

6. BOARD COMMENTS

Board members Malcolm and Bibler thanked Mr. Gleason for his many years of service and he will be missed.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WORLD TRADE CENTER SAN DIEGO, INC.
BOARD THIS 25TH DAY OF JULY 2024.



JAMES SLY
CHAIR
WORLD TRADE CENTER SAN DIEGO, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ATTEST:



ANNETTE FAGAN ORTIZ
AUTHORITY CLERK
OFFICE OF THE AUTHORITY CLERK