



**Minutes
Tempe Sports Authority
Wednesday September 17, 2007**

Minutes of the Tempe Sports Authority held on September 17, 2007 at the Tempe Center, of the Arts, 700 W. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe, Arizona.

MEMBERS - Present:

Dick Neuheisel, John Bebbiling, Ed Valenzuela, Alex Arredondo, Carolyn Pendergast, Stephanie Nowack, Mike Chismar, Chris Boyles, Peggy Kirch, Tom George, Dee Robbins, Tom Burns and Spike Lawrence

MEMBERS – Excused Absent:

Bill Dutton, Bruce Skinner, John Benton, John Langbein and Sherry Henry

City Staff Present:

Shelley Hearn
Monica Lamparter
Jeff Kulaga
Amber Wakeman

Other's Present:

LeRoy Gaintner
Kendis Muscheid
Kathy Parker

Agenda Item 1—Call to Order

Dick Neuheisel, President called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m.

Agenda Item 2- Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes: Alex Arredondo
Second: Tom Burns
Decision: Unanimously approved

Agenda Item 3 –Tax Exempt Status

Discussed in the Executive Session

Agenda Item 4 – Retreat

Kathy introduced herself and discussed some general concerns that board members had expressed during their phone conversations.

Discussion was held on what direction TSA wants to go. John Bebbiling suggested that the board meet with the Tom Canasi to see what the board could do to help out in the Community.

Stephanie felt the TSA should work closely with Mark Mitchell and Ben Arredondo since they staff a committee called Tourism and Amateur Sports.

One of the main concerns was how the TSA could be involved in some of the Sporting Events that go on in the valley.

Kathy broke up the board into several groups for group exercises.

Agenda Item 5 –2008 Courage Awards Subcommittee report

- A. March 3, 2008 was recommended for the 2008 Courage Awards banquet. This date was picked to accommodate the Angels and The Buttes.
- B. Dee will meet with Judi and go over the marketing contract to lower her costs.
- C. Dee gave out the recipient information. The board liked Tedi Bruschi, Scott Hamilton, James Blake and Lance Armstrong for the professional recipient, Tricia Downing and Major David Rozella for the amateur spot, and Lomong Lopez for the collegiate athlete.

Agenda Item 6 - Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.

Prepared by: Monica Lamparter

Reviewed by: Shelley Hearn



Tom George Secretary, TSA