

**MINUTES of EXPO-ICE CENTER BOARD MEETING
ENTERTAINMENT AND VENDORS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Held Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Location: Expo Office – 4921 Expo Drive, Manitowoc

Present: R. Voss, PJ Albert, K. Kohlmann, M. Lentz, T. Loritz, B. Palzewicz, M. Pawlowski, M. Plate, P. Strouf, R. Kohlbeck

Absent & Excused: Zipperer

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**Other Expo-Ice
Center Board**

Members Present: J. Hawig, T. Dvorak, K. Behnke, S. Schuette, D. Pollen, S. Binversie, N. Newberg

Others Present: J. Shelton, C. Breit

Called to Order Meeting called to order – 6:30pm

Minutes Minutes were reviewed from the previous meeting. Motion was made by Albert, seconded by Kohlbeck to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment Committee chair called for public input three times. No public input given.

Review, Discussion, and Possible Action on the following items for the 2026 Fair:

A. *Budget vs. Actual*

Voss reported on budget vs. actual included in the committee packet.

B. *Entertainment Ideas*

Voss reported on Entertainment Ideas. Discussion on searching for entertainment sooner for the following year. Albert to reach out to GL Berg and schedule a meeting-presentation.

C. *Contracts:*

1. *Sea Lions*

Voss reported on the Sea Lions contract to be the same amount as 2025. Discussion included to have the contract secured by next month if no other options.

2. *Casady's Critters*

Motion was made by Albert, seconded by Strouf to recommend approval to the board the Casady's Critters contract. Motion carried unanimously.

D. *Event Working Group Updates*

1. *Celebrity Cream Puff Eating Contest* – no report.

2. *Grandstand Shows* – no report.

3. *Outdoor Layout* – Staff reported briefly on the Outdoor Vendor process including when contracts go out and the selection process.

4. *Parade-Fireworks – Location* – no report

5. *Teeny Weeny Donut Contest* – no report.

Other Fair Projects and Issues Update – No Action

No report.

Adjournment

Motion made by Albert, seconded by Plate to adjourn at 6:59pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennell Shelton, Manitowoc County Expo Facility Manager