

Special MIAMA Board Meeting
May 5th, 2010
Mariucci and Ridder Arenas, Minneapolis, MN

Call to order at 1:16pm

Present: Dean Mulso, Dave Van Vickle, Mike Sheggeby, Craig Flor, Paul Ostoff, Travis Larson, Dave Black, Eric Edhlund, Kevin Madsen, Brad Tullberg, Mike Bauer, Jon Balvance

Absent: Jeff Horstman, Rich Rakness

1. Business Meeting Voting Procedures and protocol - A proposal should be put in place and Brad T. and Dean M. will work on and bring to the next board meeting.
2. Stance by MIAMA – do we look at our organization as one that promotes, networking, education and working with groups, rule makers and law makers to keep the process that will work for the majority of arenas.
3. Voting Procedures - It was brought our attention by member Jay Strachota of the Hopkins Pavilion that we may have voted improperly during the MIAMA business meeting in regards to the motion on the air quality legislation by the MIAMA membership, of the Air Quality bill being presented by the MN House and Senate. It was discovered that during the course of the meeting the board had a friendly amendment introduced. Because there was one objection the original motion should have been called to a vote. Then if the original motion was voted down a new amendment could have been introduced. Because the Board of Directors continued with the amendment and that was the only one voted on, it was deemed improper accordingly to the Roberts Rules of Order. *(How do you deal with a "friendly amendment"?* **Answer:** *On occasion, while a motion is being debated, someone will get up and offer what he or she terms a "friendly amendment" to the motion, the maker of the original motion will "accept" the amendment, and the chair will treat the motion as amended. This is wrong. Once a motion has been stated by the chair, it is no longer the property of the mover, but of the assembly. Any amendment, "friendly" or otherwise, must be adopted by the full body, either by a vote or by unanimous consent. If it appears to the chair that an amendment (or any other motion) is uncontroversial, it is proper for the chair to ask if there is "any objection" to adopting the amendment. If no objection is made, the chair may declare the amendment adopted. If even one member objects, however, the amendment is subject to debate and vote like any other, regardless of whether its proposer calls it "friendly" and regardless of whether the maker of the original motion endorses its adoption).*

Motion to Adjourn – Eric E. moved and Mike B. seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05pm