

Stadium Advisory Committee  
Tuesday, January 14, 2020, 3:36 p.m.  
Dunedin, FL  
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Steve Sandbergen, on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 3:35 pm.

Attendees:	Steve Sandbergen	(Committee Chairman)
	Gail Dull	(Committee Member)
	Tom Pels	(Committee Member)
	John Keller	(Committee Member)
	Janet Baustert	(Committee Member)
	John Hanson	(Committee Member)
	Marguerite Allison	(Alternate Member)
	Deborah Clough	(Alternate Member)
	Vince Gizzi	(Parks and Recreation)
	Shelby Nelson	(Jays)

1. Meeting was called to order at 3:35 pm with a quorum.
2. Movement to approve the minutes for February 12, 2019 made by John Keller, seconded by Deborah Clough.
3. Shelby Nelson: Jays Update...some finishing touches, millwork, trim, netting. Everyone comfortable on pace for opening day February 24th. Painting left to do. Video board will be up. Anxious to celebrate with everyone who helped to make this all come together. Nice product that people will be happy to see open. Buck Martinez (Jays Commentator) came in to see it. Everyone happy with the children's play area. Some additions will be made once there's a feeling of how different areas will be used.
4. John Keller: How many more seats? Capacity about 8000, 6700 hard seats. Several areas for standing room. A lot more toilets for women most everything was gutted and redone. A lot of new speakers. New elevator and an actual stairwell.
5. Steve Sandbergen: Will there be a guy on the roof for filming? Yes there will be room for the camera personnel.
6. The building on the third base side on game day? That's Eddies bar (no food) in the enclosed area with TVs. The covered space to the left is a covered area of 1000 sq. feet. May possibly used for parties. There will also be a bar on the right field side with 4 rows of standing space. 800 new seats in front of the bar. The building houses the ground crew, visiting team and umpires.

7. There will be a barbecue area as well as a children's play area.
8. Bullpens are on each side by the foul poles and are fully viewable by fans.
9. The scoreboard- someone with experience is running the scoreboards...video board with scores and an additional scoreboard on Eddies Bar.
10. Steve Sandbergen corporate sponsorship-Sold out-for spaces on the walls tied to Toronto as well as local businesses.
11. Vince Gizzi-Naming rights? TD Ballpark. (Toronto bank) money for the capital replacement fund.
12. Steve Sandbergen: You should be proud of the project. Shelby: A lot of people were part of this process and there was no idea how much this would take to get it together. Focus on the stadium then finish the complex.
13. Media will be touring soon.
14. Vince Gizzi: A seven year project coming to an end.
15. John Keller: Will there be cup holders? Yes, every seat but the front row.
16. Steve Sandbergen: Night games? Yes, one, a Friday night (3/20) with fireworks. Six o'clock with Phillies night of the Mayors' Challenge.
17. Deborah Clough: Just want to reinforce that people know Dunedin in Canada. People are excited about the renovations. Expecting big bump the next year as people become aware of the renovations. Helped by the people talking about the renovations on the spring training broadcasts.
18. Tom Pels: Excited about the renovations thinks it looks good.
19. Marguerite Allison: I've been taking pictures along the way; people are excited in what's going on.
20. Steve Sandbergen: When do single tickets go on sale? They are on sale in a temporary office until the box office is ready.
21. Shelby Nelson: Englebert is trailing behind, just opened batting cages going; building won't be ready until later in the year. Players only, will have no fan access to Englebert for this Spring Training.
22. City has been helpful in making sure that all permitting gets done in a timely manner.
23. John Keller: Eddies will have concessions? Who else? House of Beer, Dunedin Brewery, Caladonia, Seventh Sun, among others. Food? Working on that.

24. Gail Dull: It was emotional to see this to finally come to fruition, something that some of us have been working on for 6 years.
25. Shelby Nelson: Dunedin High School will play 5 or six games here, once spring training has started.
26. In 2013, after the proclamation to keep the Jays, Vince went to Toronto meet Paul Beeston and Matt Shuber with options of what could be done to keep them here. They realized the community really wanted them here. Mayor Julie Ward Bujalski made a commitment when elected to see that they stayed.
27. Shelby Nelson: I came in after Vince, no one was answering in Toronto then Vince went there and Julie Ward Bujalski went up and when Mark Shapiro came in they started working together.
28. Vince Gizzi: The open house is at the Hale center. Had economists, environmental impact studies; put this together with renderings getting the community involved from the beginning, giving us a 28 year deal, old deal ran out in 2017 and a gap deal and the new deal doesn't take effect until buildings have both their CO's.
29. Continuance of the committee: Steve Sandbergen: are we going to continue? Are Mr. Shapiro and Mr. Nelson going to take input and suggestions from volunteers? Do we think of something different? Do we allow the committee sunset?
30. Vince Gizzi: I'm concerned, we haven't had topics for the last few meetings, and I'm open to continuing as long as we have topics. Shelby Nelson: These meetings have been going on for 11 years it was to get us to this point. What else can we do? The Jays are covering everything money wise going forward, not the city anymore. Feeling is that the committee has fulfilled its need and is done.
31. Marguerite Allison: Will the venue be available for rentals? Shelby: Possibly. Looking to do events may be graduations, but it won't be a priority this year.
32. Gail Dull: May be do one more meetings after spring training to review any feedback we are given during spring training and discuss it afterwards.
33. April 14 will be the next meeting to go over to "growing pains" things that we have noticed and heard during spring training so that we can be of help. Move meeting to 5:30 p.m. and will continue into a Dunedin Blue Jays game. Meeting/then attend the game together.

Motion to adjourn by Gail Dull at 4: 35, seconded by Deborah Clough. The next meeting will be in April 14 at 5:30 P.M.