

Rochester Sports Foundation

Annual Board Meeting Minutes (12-4-25)

The meeting was called to order by Carole Shulman – Vice President. She was the only board member present with advisory members Marshall Behrens (incoming Director), Ben Boldt, Steve Strickland, John McGuine and RS Director Matt Esau along with RSF staff Ed Hruska attending.

The October RSF minutes, 2026 Budget, recommendation for 2026 board and officers (reviewed at 10-30-25 meeting) and 11-30-25 SOA were previously reviewed via email by the board per request of board president Chris Terry. Sexton moved to approve, Shulman seconded and they passed unanimously.

Hruska talked about handing off the RSF to Behrens at the end of the year. He noted that having a strong board and advisory drives the organization to successful outcomes. He noted that board members have been very committed in the past and this is needed moving forward with the change in staff. He noted that Carole Shulman has only missed two meetings in six years – and she will be missed (she will be resigning at the end of 2025).

The group acknowledged the change in leadership with Behrens taking the lead.

Hruska stated he will be available to assist in any manner. Shulman stated she would be interested in coming back as an advisory member. Behrens shared some thoughts on his road ahead and shared a sense of excitement in the opportunities that lie ahead.

Boldt gave the group an update on the progress of the newly proposed Rochester Sports and Recreation Complex. He gave details on the current items and the path moving forward. Hruska shared the gratitude of the RSF for the work and effort Boldt has given to this project to help make it a reality for the community.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:13 PM

Next meeting date: Thursday, January 29th at RGCC