# **MINUTES**

## FORTY-NINER SHOPS, INC.

## FINANCE & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

# Friday, January 21, 2022 – Zoom Conference Meeting

(Exception Made Due to Covid-19 Issues & Campus Safety Precautions)

Members Present: Mr. Scott Apel, Chair Dr. Praveen Soni

Dr. Beth Lesen Mr. John Barcelona

**Staff Present:** Mr. Robert de Wit, Interim General Manager/Controller

Mr. Tom Collier, Accounting Manager Ms. Marianne Russo, Executive Secretary

Guest(s): Ms. Kristina Randig, Business Manager, Financial Management

Mr. Miles Nevin, Executive Director of Associated Students, Inc.

#### A. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 8:34 a.m. by Chair, Scott Apel

**B. Approval of the Agenda:** January 21, 2022

Motion to accept the Agenda as presented.

M/S Dr. Soni / Dr. Lesen

By acclamation the Agenda for the meeting of January 21, 2022 was hereby approved as presented.

C. Approval of Minutes: October 22, 2021

Motion to accept the Minutes as presented.

M/S Dr. Soni / Dr. Lesen

By acclamation the minutes of October 22, 2021 were hereby approved as presented.

## **D.** Action Items:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021-2022 Financial Review: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter operating results are ahead of Plan.
  - o Financial Overview:
    - Sales came in at \$6,033,309 which is 20% above budget.
      - ➤ Bookstore retail sales are up by 25% and remain steady with more in-store traffic over these past months than had been anticipated.
        - ❖ However, textbook sales were minimal at \$93,468.
      - Residential Dining is up at \$3,860,144 and \$755,504 (24.3%) over budget with occupancy remaining consistent at 90% for the fall semester.

- ➤ Retail Dining is at \$440,000 with the limited location openings as had been planned.
- Operating expenses have been held in check even though the business volume has increased in part due to continued hiring challenges across the organization.
- Operating income came in at \$781,417 which is \$828,271 better than planned.
- Investment gain of over \$430,000 which helped recover the investment loss sustained during the first quarter.
- Net contribution of \$355,925 and is over \$1 million better than originally budgeted.
- Operating cash flow of \$490,040
- o Capital Status Full Year 2021 2022
  - Current year expenditures have been kept to a minimal with only the following expenses:
    - ➤ Caffeine Lab opening in the University Library which came in below the \$75,000 budget at only \$34,571
    - ➤ \$15,297 was for Outpost table repairs
    - ➤ There was a maintenance repair to the Nugget done by Beach Building Services at \$27,592
- Financial Statements:
  - Cash/Investments are up \$1.1 million benefitting mostly from investment gains realized in the second half of FY2020/2021.
  - Inventory is down \$500,000 stemming from reduced business volumes in our Textbooks/Course Materials department
  - Accounts payable is down \$600,000 primarily offset by the unemployment insurance reserve.
  - Year to Date cash flow comes in at around \$284,000
    - ➤ Compared to last year, our operating results have improved but our business model has changed slightly over these past few years.
- Year-to-Year Comparison:
  - Sales are up by 286% at over \$6 million and margins are up by 10 points due to increased economy of scale across the board.
  - Operating income of \$781,417 with a positive variance of \$2,057,108 resulting in a positive operating contribution of \$73,373.
    - ➤ Reported Net contribution of \$355,925
- Plan and Objectives
  - The Shops recently received notification that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Paycheck Payroll Protection Loan had been forgiven in full as had been the case with the 1<sup>st</sup> PPP Loan.
    - ➤ This will reduce the Shops liability and designated funds by \$2 million moving forward.
  - We will continue to manage cash flow by reinvesting idle cash as per the Auditors' recommendation.
    - This will include a paydown of the CalPERS unfunded accrued liability as planned with the Board before the onset of the COVID pandemic.
  - Mr. de Wit has already put forth the request to conduct a VEBA FAS106 Actuarial report since that hasn't been done since June 30, 2019.
  - At this time, the Shops are gearing up for the Spring Semester with a soft opening of a couple retail dining locations.

Motion to accept the 2nd Quarter 2021-2022 Financial Review

M/S Dr. Soni / Dr. Lesen

By acclamation the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021-2022 Financial Review was hereby approved to recommend to the Board.

#### E. Discussion Items

- CalPERS Actuarial Report
  - Mr. de Wit had distributed the latest CalPERS actuarial reports for the Legacy and PEPRA programs with a valuation as of June 30, 2020, as these are typically assessed over a year in arrears.
    - The Shops unfunded accrued liability for the Legacy program was similar to previous reports at \$5.5 million.
  - The summary GASB 68 re-evaluation is pending for year-end reporting. This brings forth
    the account holdings to June 2021 values (one year in arrears) and is based on pooled
    rates and recent contributions.
  - As previously discussed, Mr. de Wit plans to re-institute the Board approved pay-down of \$1 million within the next few months.
    - That would include a \$500,000 catch-up payment for 2020-2021 and another \$500,000 for this fiscal year.
    - Mr. de Wit anticipates that we could be close to fully funded by the end of this year for GASB 68 reporting purposes.
- Budget Planning
  - When it comes to budget planning for the next fiscal year, the assumption will be that come the fall semester the campus will be returning to in-person instruction.
    - Hopefully by the start of this process in March, the Shops will have a better idea about the impact of the pandemic for the fall semester campus plans.

# F. Adjournment

• There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.