

# WAR MEMORIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

War Memorial Opera House  
301 Van Ness Avenue, Fourth Floor Board Room  
San Francisco, California 94102  
(Entry at Opera House North "Carriage" Door)

## OFFICIAL MEETING NOTICE

### WAR MEMORIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, May 14, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

#### AGENDA

##### **Roll Call.**

##### **Approval of Minutes:**

1. Approval of minutes of the Veterans Building Project Committee meeting of April 9, 2015. [Action](#)  
(Draft minutes of the Veterans Building Project Committee meeting of April 9, 2015.)
2. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of April 9, 2015. [Action](#)  
(Draft minutes of the regular meeting of April 9, 2015.)

**President's Report:** Current developments and announcements. [Information](#)

##### **Managing Director's Report:**

1. Rental Requests: Opera House; Davies Symphony Hall; Herbst Theatre. [Action](#)  
(Rental Requests for May 14, 2015; Additional Rental Requests for May 14, 2015.)
2. Director's Report: Managing Director to report on recent activities and make announcements. [Information / Discussion](#)

##### **Secretary's Report:**

1. Approval of April 2015 Housekeeping Expenditures. [Action](#)  
(Revenue, Appropriations, Housekeeping Expenditures Reports for April 30, 2015.)

##### **Committee Reports:**

###### **1. Veterans Building Project Committee:**

- a. Veterans Building Seismic Upgrade & Improvements Project: Update reports on Project tours and Project budget. [Information / Discussion](#)

**Good and Welfare:** Opportunity for Trustees to make remarks including special thanks and congratulatory remarks. [Information / Discussion](#)

**Public Comment:** Public comment on items within the jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees, but not on the agenda. [Information / Discussion](#)

##### **Miscellaneous Correspondence:**

1. Letter from the American Legion War Memorial Commission, regarding "Request for financial support;" letter to the American Legion War Memorial Commission, responding to letter regarding "Request for financial support."  
(Letter dated April 19, 2015, from the American Legion War Memorial Commission, regarding "Request for financial support." Letter dated May 8, 2015, to the American Legion War Memorial Commission, responding to letter dated April 19, 2015 regarding "Request for financial support.") [Information](#)

**Regular Items.**

1. San Francisco Symphony request to raise funds for Davies Symphony Hall Front-of-House Improvements. Refer to Committee  
(Letter dated May 7, 2015, from the San Francisco Symphony, requesting authorization to raise funds for Davies Symphony Hall Front-of-House Improvements.)
2. San Francisco Opera request to replace the Assistive Listening System in the War Memorial Opera House. Action  
(Letter dated March 7, 2015, from the San Francisco Opera, requesting approval for the San Francisco Opera to replace the Assistive Listening System in War Memorial Opera House.)
3. CLOSED SESSION – Existing litigation regarding space allocation for and facility use by the San Francisco Posts of the American Legion in the Veterans Building.
  - a. Public Comment on all matters pertaining to the closed session.
  - b. Vote on whether to hold closed session to confer with Legal Counsel [San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.10(d)]. Action
  - c. Closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) and San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.10(d)(1). Discussion
    - 1) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION [City as defendant, American Legion War Memorial Commission as petitioner; In the Matter of San Francisco War Memorial Trust, dated August 10, 1921, as amended June 30, 1928; Superior Court of the State of California; Case No. PTR-15-298701; filed April 17, 2015]. Possible Action
  - d. Reconvene in Open Session:
    - 1) Possible report on action taken in closed session [Government Code Section 54957.1(a)(2) and San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.12(b)(2)]. Action
    - 2) Vote to elect whether to disclose any or all discussions held in closed session [San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.12(a)]. Action

**Adjournment.**

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