

**SIOUX CITY PUBLIC MUSEUM BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
October 14, 2016**

A meeting of the Sioux City Public Museum Board of Trustees was held Friday, October 14, 2016, at 12:00 p.m. at the Sioux City Public Museum.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Michele Boykin
Katie Colling
Janet Flanagan
Rick Mullin
Ben Nesselhuf
Wendy Lego

MEMBERS ABSENT

Priscilla Forsyth

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Hansen

CALLED TO ORDER: A quorum was attained shortly before noon and the meeting was called to order thereafter by Chairperson Mullin.

Minutes: *Trustee Flanagan moved the minutes be approved as presented and Trustee Nesselhuf seconded the motion. Chairperson Mullin called the question and the minutes were passed unanimously.*

Financial Report: Director Hansen gave a succinct and brief review of the financial report as distributed. He noted that with only one quarter of the fiscal year elapsed that the Museum finances were tracking normally. Hansen also added that the Museum Historical Association recently reviewed their annual audit report which reflected very favorably upon the organization with no red flags and kudos to all involved. After a thoughtful discussion Trustee Colling moved to approve said financial report with a seconding motion coming from Trustee Nesselhuf. With no further discussion Chairperson Mullin called the question and the motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Museum Facilities: Hansen reported that the recent painting contract had been substantially completed for the Welcome Center and River Museum. He noted the contractor worked in a timely manner and only a few details are left to be completed. Additional repair work will take place inside the boat during the winter months. Hansen also noted that with recent rains there was no evidence of roof leakage at the main site. This is positive news and would indicate the summer work on the roof by Nohava solved the problems.

Exhibits and Events: Many programs and tours have been scheduled and the fall season has all the promise of being very busy. Two more traveling exhibits have been booked including: "A Photo Album of Ireland" curated by the National Gallery of Photography in Dublin, Ireland and "Cloth as Community: Hmong Textiles" Hansen gave vivid descriptions of each along with distributing related information. Both of these exhibits are promoted by a company in Kansas City, Missouri. Additional activities include History at High Noon programs, tour groups and public meetings including "Unity in the Community!" Hansen also noted that a community health forum will be held at the Museum with Congressman King expected to be in attendance. Hansen noted that he would send out a follow-up email with important upcoming dates.

Sports Exhibit Update: Hansen reported that in the near future Museum staff will bring the Siouxland Sports Hall of Fame exhibit currently on display at the Long Lines Center to the Sioux City Museum. The exhibit will essentially go into storage as conceptual design work is undertaken for a new permanent sports exhibit that will include the Hall of Fame ideas and concepts. A discussion followed on a time line for the exhibit and potential design teams. The new exhibit will cover a broad range of sports history including the Hall of Fame inductees and many other stories. This exhibit will be the first major change of the permanent gallery since opening in April of 2011.

Staff Updates: Hansen reported that Haley Brees has been hired for the Archives/Education position. Haley interned with the Museum and also worked on an “on-line collections site” for our webpage which we plan on unveiling before the end of the year. Haley is a graduate of U.S.D. Vermillion and is a Sgt. Bluff native.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board of Trustees Opening Hansen noted that two Trustees will have terms coming to an end this December those being Trustees Mullin and Colling. A discussion was held in regard to the current intentions of each member and how fleeting time can be. Without question both members have served during a historic period of growth and community impact for the Museum. Hansen will have follow up meetings with the respective Trustees.

November Meeting: It was noted that the next Trustees meeting would fall on November 11, 2016 which is Veterans Day. By general consensus it was determined the Trustees would not have a November meeting and would have a meaningful December 9th meeting.

Volunteer Dinner and Appreciation Evening: It was noted that the annual “Museum Volunteer Appreciation Dinner” is scheduled for October 24th, 2016 and the RSVP s are coming in at a strong pace. It was agreed upon by all in attendance that one of the strengths of our Museum is our solid volunteer base.

ADJOURNMENT: *Seeing no further business, Trustee Lego made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:51 p.m. Trustee Boykin seconded the motion, Chairperson Mullin called the question and the motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,



Steve Hansen, Museum Director