



Minutes
Siouxland Heritage Museums
Board Meeting
Thursday, April 6, 2017
Law Library, Old Courthouse Museum

Present: Museum Board; Mike MacDonald, Ron Helwig, Jeff Barth, Arthur Kriens, Roger Terveen, Pat Starr, Dianne Metli, Tim Schendel

Museum Staff; Bill Hoskins, Museum Director,

Board Members Absent: Allison Struck, Kim Kobblank

Guests: None

Mike MacDonald called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.

The Minutes of the March Meeting of the Museum Board were approved as published.

Tim Schendel was introduced as a new County appointment replacing Del Kroon who resigned in February. Kim Kobblank was unable to attend due to illness.

Public Input: Bill circulated several notes from patrons.

Dianne Metli reported on the Museum Alliance. Dianne commented on the upcoming Alliance Fundraisers including the Historic Homes Tour, Wine Dinner at the Market, and the Volunteer Recognition Luncheon on April 27.

Bill delivered the Financial Report presented for March, 2017.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director delivered the Director's Report for March, 2017. Bill highlighted some of the activities of the past month:

Attendance at the end the First Quarter of 2017 is up 5% over the same period in 2016.

Staff presented 71 programs on and off site to 7,001 people.

Staff presented 84 guided tours of the Pettigrew Home in March.

There were 8 rental events at the Old Courthouse Museum in March with net income of \$2,899.23.

Installation of the WW I exhibit in Gallery II, Old Courthouse Museum nearing completion. The exhibit opens to the public April 6.



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The Final Design for the Collections Center was adopted on March 28 by the city council and County Commission. Mark Michelson, the land owner to the north, contacted county to say that they are not ready for 54th Street. Jason from City Planning contacted Bill Hoskins about rezoning the property and the process. Rezoning will begin next week.

Bill mentioned a possible exhibit design and production contract with Yankton College and the Dakota Territorial Museum in Yankton. Museum staff met with representatives in late February and will meet again on April 22.

Bill report no new word on the Pettigrew Roof Replacement Project.

The Board discussed a variety topics related to the Collections Storage Facility. Jeff Barth commented upon Board fund raising efforts. Jeff mentioned a “go fund me account”, possible naming rights and other activities. He expressed a desire for the Board to sponsor a dinner fund raiser such as the Alliance Board is holding on April 20. The board members also discussed planning for a ribbon cutting and opening reception/ tours. Bill mentioned that most board members make donations on an annual basis in support of the museum operations.

The Board Museum Collections Committee is meeting Friday, April 7 and the Board Executive Committee on Monday, April 10.

The next Museum Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 4 at the Law Library in the Old Courthouse Museum.

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:25 PM.

Museum Mission: *“The Siouxland Heritage Museums is dedicated to enhancing the experience of learning for our community, its families and visitors through collections, preservation and interpretation of history”*