



**Minutes**  
**Siouxland Heritage Museums**  
**Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, August 3, 2017**  
**Program Room, Pettigrew Home and Museum**

Present: Museum Board; Mike MacDonald, Ron Helwig, Jeff Barth, Kim Koblank, Allison Struck, Tim Schendel, Pat Starr

Museum Staff; Bill Hoskins, Museum Director

Board Members Absent: Arthur Kriens, Roger Terveen, Dianne Metli, Liz Squyer

Guests: None

Mike MacDonald called the meeting to order at 11:32 AM.

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

Public Input: Bill Hoskins mentioned the passing of long time Museum Board Member Bob Jamison. Bill circulated several thank you notes received by the museum.

Mike asked Bill Hoskins to deliver the Alliance Report. Bill reported that the Alliance sold 312 tickets for the Historic Homes Tour on July 25. The Pork Raffle Drawing was held on July 25 and 444 tickets were sold for \$888. The next Alliance Board Meeting is August 10.

Bill delivered the Financial Report presented for July, 2017. Bill highlighted the 2018 Budget Hearing scheduled for August 22, 2017 at 5 PM and encouraged Board Member attendance.

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

Staff presented 37 programs on and off site to 2,217 people.

Bids for repair projects at the Old Courthouse Museum and Pettigrew Home and Museum.

AC at the Pettigrew is repaired.

New exhibit "Up Hill Both Ways" on one room schools is in production and is scheduled to open August 3.

Received Conservator's report on the Old Courthouse Museum Murals in July.



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The Pettigrew Roof replacement project is getting started. Bill has met with Architects, Engineers and Roofer. Project should begin about September 11. Completion date in October 16. Grant Wilson, Exhibits Assistant has resigned effective July 7. Angie Sewell, PT Museum Aide has resigned effective July 28. Staci returned to work July 31. Jill is out on Medical Leave until September 4.

Bill Hoskins discussed the Security Incident on Friday, July 28 at the Old Courthouse Museum. No members of the staff or public were injured at the Museum. One window was broken and is currently boarded up.

Bill Hoskins reported upon progress for the Collections Storage Project. Bids were opened on July 19 at 10 AM. The bid was awarded to PESKA Construction at the Joint City/County Meeting on July 25 pending contract negotiation. Koch Hazard sent out contact to PESKA on July 27. Bill handed out information on the Ground Breaking ceremonies sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. There are limited dates and time available. Only date available in September is the 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30. October dates include October 12,19,25,26 at 11:30 AM. The Board directed Bill to contact the Hall's and check their preference. The Board discussed a Party in celebration to follow the ceremony. Jeff, Pat and Allison have been designated as the committee to plan. Bill circulated some possible names for the structure. Museum Board voted on their top three. Bill is directed to e-mail the top choices out to the Board for review.

Bill Hoskins announced that Jessie Nesseim, Museum interpreter had been accepted to a 3 week course in Museum Management sponsored by the American Association for State and Local History in Indianapolis, IN in November. Staff Training budget is in the Museum Enterprise fund. This training is a bit more than usual. Tim moved that the Museum pay for her training and that she make a presentation to the Museum Board on her return. Allison seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The next Museum Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 14 in the Program Room at the Pettigrew Home and Museum. The September Meeting was moved from September 7 to September 14.

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:22 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”*