



Minutes
Siouxland Heritage Museums
Board Meeting
Thursday, January 4, 2018
Law Library, Old Courthouse Museum

Present: Museum Board; Arthur Kriens, Pat Starr, Tim Schendel, Dianne Metli, Allison Struck, Jeff Barth, Liz Squyer, Mike MacDonald, Kim Koblack, Roger Terveen

Museum Staff; Bill Hoskins, Museum Director

Board Members Absent: Ron Helwig

Guests: None

Bill Hoskins called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.

The Minutes of the November and December Meetings were provided electronically to the board. Tim moved the minutes be adopted as printed. Dianne seconded the motion. The motion passed on vote.

Public Input: Bill Hoskins passed around a rental questionnaire and an article on the Theaters exhibit which appeared in the Chamber News.

The election of Board officers for 2018. Mike Mac Donald was nominated for Chairman, Arthur Kriens as Vice Chairman and Kim Koblack as the Secretary/Treasurer. Time moved that the slate of officers be accepted and that a unanimous ballot be cast. Allison seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dianne Metli delivered the Alliance Report. The Alliance Annual Meeting will be held on January 18 at 6 PM, the programs will be the dress rehearsal for the Murder Mystery. The next Alliance Board Meeting is January 11.

Bill reviewed the Financial Report handout for January, 2018 which included figures for the 2017 year just complete as well as the new budget year 2018. Jeff asked if we had salary saving as a result of the vacancies. Bill responded that yes we did and that upon reconsolidation money will be going back to both City and County general funds.

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



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Staff presented 42 programs on and off site to 1,960 people as well as 57 tours of the Historic House.

The Holiday Open House at the Pettigrew was attended by 285 people on December

Two steel window lintels at the Pettigrew Museum which were deteriorating were replaced in December.

PESKA Construction returned sporadically to work on the Pettigrew roof.

The high rubber roof at the Old Courthouse Museum was replaced by MJ Dalsin in December.

The Concerts in the Courtroom were well attended with nearly 300 in attendance for the “Anjelic” concert.

Thomas Beck started as the Museum Interpreter.

Bill Hoskins reported upon progress for the Collections Storage Project. PESKA Construction has the structure enclosed and has temporary heat in part of the structure. Monthly progress meetings indicate that the project is on schedule. Bill reported that he is taking photographs of the project one to two times per week. Bill passed around a notebook with the photos of the project to date.

The list of Museum Board committees was passed around and Board Members were asked to sign up for at least two of the committees.

The tentative Board Meeting Schedule was passed out. There was brief discussion of the July 5 Board Meeting. The decision was to leave it on the schedule until later in the year. Jeff moved to adopt the schedule as proposed. Tim seconded the motion. The motion passed on vote.

Dianne Metli, Alliance President, is term limited on the Alliance Board and as a result will be leaving the Museum Board. Dianne was thanked for her many years of service to the Museum. Bill presented her with a framed photograph of the Old Courthouse Museum as it appeared in 1892. Ron Helwig, who was absent was also recognized for his service on the Museum Board.

The next Museum Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 11:30 AM in the Program Room at the Pettigrew Home and Museum.

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:01 PM.

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