Minutes
Siouxland Heritage Museums
Board Meeting
Thursday, April 7, 2016
Program Room, Pettigrew Home and Museum

Present: Museum Board; Ron Helwig, Mike MacDonald, Dianne Metli, Arthur Kriens III, Jeff Barth

Museum Staff; Bill Hoskins, Museum Director

Board Members Absent: Michael Mullin, Roger Terveen, Del Kroon, Kermit Staggers

Guests: Sandy Dean

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.

Mike asked if there has been any word regarding the City Board appointments. There have been several applications to the Mayor’s Office but the Mayor has not made any appointments.

Bill handed out several e-mails and notes of thanks and comment from the public which were read and commented upon by the Museum Board.

Dianne Metli delivered the report of the Siouxland Heritage Museums Alliance. The Alliance Board Reviewed nominations for the Volunteer of the Year Award which will be presented at the Annual Volunteer Banquet at the Old Courthouse Museum on April 14. The next Alliance Board Meeting will be May 12.

Bill Hoskins briefly reviewed the Financial Report for March, 2016. 2015

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director delivered the Director’s Report for March, 2016. Bill highlighted some of the activities of the past month:

- Record Attendance for March and the 1st Quarter of 2016.
- “Building Sioux Falls 1883-1920” exhibit opening at the Pettigrew Museum on March 10.
- SDPB Images of the Past story on Camp Dewey in Sioux Falls in 1898 aired on March 21.
- Regional National History Day Competition held at the Old Courthouse Museum on March 22.
Bill Hoskins presented an update on the Verizon Cell Phone Tower proposal. County will be in contract negotiations and Bill will keep the Museum Board Posted.

Bill Hoskins handed out copies of the Museum Succession Plan. It is handed out at the April Board Meeting. Board discussed the process and who might serve as an Interim Director. Jeff commented that it was good to have a written plan and for everyone to know where to find key information. Jeff said he would give a copy to the Commission Office.

The Board reviewed the updated Emergency Plan for the Old Courthouse Museum. This is an update of a 2008 plan.

The next Museum Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 5 at the Pettigrew Home and Museum. The Meeting was adjourned at 12:15 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”