



Minutes

Board Meeting

Siouxland Heritage Museums

Thursday, February 2, 2023, 11:30 AM

Conference Room, Irene Hall Museum Resource Center, 4300 N. Westport Avenue

Board Present: Roger Buechler, Jerry Beckler, Chris Brockevelt, Greg Olsen, Kim Kobblank, Liz Squyer, John Nordlie and Jen Bleyenbergl

Board Absent: Pat Starr, Allison Struck,

Others in attendance: Bill Hoskins, Museum Director,

Chris Brockevelt, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:32 AM.

Kim moved the adoption of the Minutes of the January 5, 2023 meeting as published. Roger seconded the motion. The motion passed on vote.

Public Input: Bill passed around thank you notes received from schools for programming and rental comment cards.

Greg Olsen reported on the Siouxland Heritage Museums Alliance Annual Meeting on January 26 at the Pettigrew Home and Museum. The program following the business meeting was the dress rehearsal for the Murder Mystery.

New Board Members John Nordlie and Jen Bleyenbergl were introduced. Both new board members toured the Irene Hall Museum Resource Center.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director, delivered a financial update to the board regarding Museum budget balances as of January 30, 2023. Bill reviewed the 2023 budgets and what the respective budgets were used for. Bill briefly reviewed the anticipated budget schedule.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director delivered a report on the Museum Operation over the last month. Highlights include: The steam systems repair at the Pettigrew Home and Museums in January. The steam system challenges at the Old Courthouse Museums and steps taken by County facilities to correct them. The Murder Mystery at the Pettigrew is sold out. The Continental Soldier Program on February 2 is also completely booked for school groups. Winter concerts at the Old Courthouse Museum are well attended. Concerts are every Friday Noon, through February.



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Bill Hoskins briefly reviewed, some of the accomplishments of the Museums in 2022. Overall Attendance was up 21% over 2021. Staff presented 518 programs on and off site for 27,825 people. Four new exhibitions were produced and install in the exhibit galleries at the Old Courthouse Museum and Pettigrew Home and Museums. The Museums received the very large donation from the Argus Leader including 1100 rolls of microfilm, bound newspapers and thousands of photographs. Five stain glass windows at the Old Courthouse Museum were restored and five more went out for treatment. The Museum Resource Center received extensive wind damage in June and early July which was repaired during the year.

The Board reviewed and made board committee assignments for 2023. Jerry requested that the Museum Director contact the other Board Members and find out to what committees they wish to be assigned. And have the list for the next Museum Board Meeting.

The board set a meeting of the Facilities Committee for Monday, February 13, 2023, 2 PM at the Old Courthouse Museum.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15.

The next Museum Board Meeting will be Thursday, March 9, 2023, 11:30 AM at the Irene Hall Museum Resource Center, 4300 N. Westport Avenue.

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”*

