



Minutes

Board Meeting

Siouxland Heritage Museums

Thursday, March 16, 2023, 11:00 AM

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

Board Present: Roger Buechler, Jerry Beckler,

Present via Zoom: Greg Olsen, Kim Koblank, Liz Squyer, John Nordlie and Pat Starr.

Board Absent: Chris Brockevelt, Allison Struck, Jen Bleyenbergh,

Others in attendance: Bill Hoskins, Museum Director,

Jerry Beckler, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:02 AM. (This board meeting was originally scheduled for Thursday, March 9, but was rescheduled to March 16.)

Roger moved the adoption of the Minutes of the February 2, 2023 meeting as published. John seconded the motion. The motion passed on vote.

Public Input: Bill passed around a thank you note from Judge Barnett for his investiture ceremony, an e-mail about icy sidewalks, and a poster announcing a preservation program in Hartford.

There was no report for the Siouxland Heritage Museums Alliance.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director, delivered the Annual Report for the Siouxland Heritage Museums Special Enterprise Fund for 2022. Bill reported that the fund received \$251,670 in revenue and had \$226,344 in expenses. Liz moved to adopt the report as presented and forward the report to the City of Sioux Falls and Minnehaha County. John seconded the motion. The motion passed on vote.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director delivered a financial update to the board regarding Museum budget balances as of February 27, 2023. Bill reviewed the 2023 budgets and what the respective budgets were used for. Greg moved to approve the financial report. Roger seconded the motion. The motion passed on vote.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director delivered a report on the Museum Operation over the last month. Highlights include: The fire sprinkler system inspection and repair at the Pettigrew Home and Museums in February. The steam system challenges at the Old Courthouse Museums and steps taken by County facilities to correct them. The skylight over the main stairway at the Old Courthouse Museum which was broken by ice falling from the clocktower was repaired. The Murder Mystery at the Pettigrew which



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generated \$3,190 in ticket sales. The Continental Soldier Program on February 2, attended by over 650 students. Winter concerts season was concluded in February with over 400 attendees. The “Sioux Falls Scenes” exhibit in Gallery II at the Old Courthouse Museum closed after three years. The gallery was re-carpeted for the first time since 2006 and a new exhibit is being installed. “Playing Favorites, 100 Great Artifacts of the Siouxland Heritage Museums” opens on April 6. Museum Exhibits is working on the second Phase of exhibits for Yankton College. The Museum Summer Intern position is posted closing on March 24.

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 Collections Committee for Wednesday, April 5, 2023, 10:30 AM at the Irene Hall Museum Resource Center.

Museum Director Hoskins would also like to have a meeting of the Visitor Experience Committee in April. Roger, Kim and John are on the committee. Bill will coordinate possible dates for the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05.

The next Museum Board Meeting will be Thursday, April 6, 2023, 11:30 AM at the Pettigrew Home and Museum, 131 N. Duluth 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”*

