

City of Ontario
Ontario Museum of History & Art
Board of Trustees
Faye Dastrup Hamill Historic Council Chambers
June 25, 2019, 6:00 PM

Minutes

- I. Call Meeting to Order: President Chris Kueng called the meeting to order.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Roll Call: Board members present were Chris Kueng, Randy del Turco, Joe Caskey, and Erina Higa City Council Liaison Debra Dorst-Porada, Museum Director John Worden, Curator of Collections Michelle Sifuentes, Curator of Education Rebecca Horta and MA Liaison Leslie Sherwood-James.

Additional: Helen McAlary, Executive Director of Community Life & Culture.

Absent: Ada Lopez

- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - Minutes of May 28, 2019 were approved on a motion by Randy del Turco and seconded by Erina Higa.
- V. Public Comment – None.
- VI. City Council Liaison – Discussed challenges with PERS retirement system for public employees, housing projects in downtown, and the Chaffey College building project. Encourages citizen involvement in city council meetings and those especially pertaining to the budget. Suggested the accreditation PowerPoint was helpful and worth sharing with partners.
- VII. Staff Report
 - A. Director's Report
 - B. John Worden discussed quarterly mailer and upcoming exhibits and programs. He emphasized board support of 40th Anniversary Celebration on September 6, as well as the October 8 celebration and input-gathering with our stakeholders.
 - C. Facilities Master Plan Update
 - John Worden discussed updates from ARG on the Master Plan and announced that the Museum was awarded \$523,000 towards renovations related to requirements for the Built-on Water exhibit, as well as \$500,000 towards elements in the first phase of Master Plan projects.
 - John Worden presented a brief PowerPoint about the demolition of Road Ways and discussed the move of collections artifacts from the

vault to the Carlson Gallery. Michelle Sifuentes highlighted the support of collections interns and preparators in preparing for this move.

D. Museum Accreditation

- Michelle Sifuentes presented a PowerPoint on the benefits of accreditation, the required application process and review, the documents required, and a tentative timeline. An emphasis was placed on the Core Standards, Collections Stewardship and Facilities, and Risk Management. OMHA is working with other accredited Museums as models. The Museum will have to expand its hours open to the public, establish an institutional code of ethics and a disaster preparedness/emergency evacuation plan among other documents. The goal is to apply by 2021.

VIII. Arts & Culture Report – Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 27 at 6 PM.

IX. Museum Associates/Liaison Comments –

- Leslie Sherwood James announced that board elections occurred and that she was elected President of the Museum Associates.

X. Museum Board of Trustees Comments

- Chris Kueng – Compliments go to the staff for all their hard work. Looks forward to accreditation.
- Joe Caskey – Appreciates staff presentation on programs, master plan, and accreditation. Appreciates all the hard work going in to the 4th of July parade.
- Randy del Turco – Thanked staff for presentation.
- Erina Higa – Excited about accreditation process.

XI. Future Agenda Items – None.

XII. Next Meeting: July 23, 2019 at 6 PM.

XIII. Motion to Adjourn by Randy del Turco and seconded by Joe Caskey, 7:35 PM.

Signature

Randy del Turco *Joe Caskey*