City of Ontario Ontario Museum of History & Art Board of Trustees Faye Dastrup Hamill Historic Council Chambers May 28, 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, Erina Higa and Ada Lopez. City Council Liaison Debra Dorst-Porada, Museum Director John Worden, Curator of Collections Michelle Sifuentes, Curator of Exhibition Leslie Matamoros and MA Liaison Leslie Sherwood-James.

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

Absent: Joe Caskey.

- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - Needed corrections with the minutes were noted.
 - Minutes of April 23, 2019 were approved on a motion by Randy del Turco and seconded by Erina Higa.
- V. Public Comment Helen McAlary is happy to be back.
- VI. City Council Liaison None.
- VII. Staff Report
 - A. Director's Report
 - John Worden summarized the results of the Arts & Culture Awards:
 191 attended, with \$88,000 in revenues. Ride the Tide facilitated a follow up debrief and will provide a detailed report. Thank you to all involved.
 - The Eye on Ontario reception was well attended and provides a model for the kind of selected annual educational project that the Museum Associates could continue to regularly support.
 - The Museum's 40th Anniversary is coming up and the staff is working on programing for this milestone.
 - B. Facilities Master Plan Update
 - The Master Plan will be presented to the Planning Commission/Historic Preservation tonight (5/28/2019). Leadership of the City has been supportive.

- Current and upcoming major initiatives include Maloof exhibit (2020), Built on Water (2021), Master Plan, Offsite Collection Storage, and Accreditation.
- Board members suggested making periodic presentations to the City Council showing how the museum is growing and how vital their support is for this continued growth.
- C. Exhibition Presentation by Curator of Exhibition, Leslie Matamoros
 - PowerPoint presentation covered how exhibitions are created, the type we have, who we collaborate with, and how exhibitions fit in with the Strategic Plan.
 - Leslie stressed the importance of following Museum Standards of Excellence when exhibiting.
 - Board members noted how far the Museum has come regarding the quality of exhibits.

VIII. Arts & Culture Report - None

- IX. Museum Associates/Liaison Comments
 - Leslie Sherwood James commented on how well Eye on Ontario turned out and believes the Museum Associates will continue supporting this kind of program.
- X. Museum Board of Trustees Comments
 - Erina Higa Presentations to City Council sounds great. Would be good to tell how the Museum Associates reach the community.
 - Ada Lopez Really enjoyed Eye on Ontario. Attended reception with son and talked to the participating students.
 - Randy del Turco The Arts & Culture Awards was terrific. Thanked the Museum staff for all the work they do.
 - Chris Kueng The Arts & Culture Awards was a fabulous event. It was well done
 and for the next time make sure there is more time to plan. It is important to show
 where the Museum has been and where we are. Need to plan the City Council
 presentations and show them what the Museum needs in order to make it a
 regional art center.
- XI. Future Agenda Items None.
- XII. Next Meeting: June 25, 2019.
- XIII. Motion to Adjourn by Randy del Turco and seconded by Ada Lopez, 7:05 PM.