## City of Ontario Ontario Museum of History & Art Board of Trustees Faye Dastrup Hamill Historic Council Chambers February 26, 2019, 6:00 PM

## Minutes

- I. Call Meeting to Order: President pro Tem Randy del Turco called the meeting to order.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Roll Call: Board members present were Randy del Turco, Joe Caskey, 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: Julie Dorey, Acting Executive Director of Community Life & Culture.

Absent: Chris Kueng.

- IV. Approval of Minutes
  - Minutes of January 22, 2019 were approved on a motion by Erina Higa and seconded by Joe Caskey.
- V. Public Comment None.
- VI. City Council Liaison
  - Work on new restaurant in the Old Bank of Italy building is starting, hoping to be done by holidays.
  - City is working on getting recycled water down to Creekside.
- VII. Staff Report
  - A. Director's Report
    - John Worden discussed the importance of the current exhibits.
  - B. State of the City
    - March 20, 2019 5pm to 9pm Can get more information at the official State of the City website. Board of Trustee members and Museum Associates will attend. The Museum is looking to get permission to have an information table at the event to discuss Museum and the upcoming Arts & Culture Awards.
  - C. Form 700 Conflict of Interest Form
    - The form will be available in March and will need to be turned in by April 1, 2019

- D. Exhibition Presentation by Curator of Exhibition, Leslie Matamoros
  - PowerPoint presentation covered current exhibits and upcoming exhibits
    - Carlson Gallery will not be available during Roadways demo, all scheduled exhibits will be moved to 4<sup>th</sup> Gallery of North Wing.
    - There is a concern over the small amount of space to hold exhibit receptions.
    - Built on Water new core exhibit will serve as a pilot for the rest of the building.

## VIII. Unfinished Business

- A. Facilities Master Plan Update
  - John Worden did a walkthrough of the Master Plan, the background and what plan entails and addresses.
  - Planning Department's Historic Preservation has been involved in the process.
  - The Master Plan will help guide with other departments such as maintenance to better serve the care of the museum.
  - Time line: Presentation by ARG and consideration of adoption by Board of Trustees – March 26, 2019, then forward to Planning Department.
  - Present to City Council at May meeting Meeting will be held at the Museum during Historic Preservation month (subsequently planned for meeting to be held at normal location). It was suggested to have numbers to present to council and to let them know the importance of needs of the Museum.
- IX. New Business: None.
- X. Arts & Culture Report See Museum Associates/Liaison Comments
- XI. Museum Associates/Liaison Comments -
  - Ontario Arts & Culture Awards: Recognizing Regional Impact
    - At a crucial time in planning, need to get the word out about the event. The consultants have developed talking points to use when talking to potential sponsors. Use the storying telling technique with talking to people. Everyone was asked to think of 10 to 20 important people (influencers) in Ontario to talk to and give their list to John.

## XII. Museum Board of Trustees Comments

- Ada Lopez Excited about the new Built on Water exhibit and the Ontario Arts & Culture Awards.
- Joe Caskey Thanked Leslie and John for their presentations. Reminded the group that the Ontario Heritage Golf Tournament is coming up on March 15<sup>th</sup> and

- the Home tour will take place later this year. Joe has retired from doing Rose Bowl tours this month.
- Erina Higa Likes the story telling aspect of talking to people about the event. Excited about the new exhibit that is coming.
- Randy del Turco Thanked Leslie and John for their presentations. There is a lot going on and he is excited.
- XIII. Future Agenda Items:
  - A. Board Elections
  - B. Adoption of Facilities Master Plan
- XIV. Next Meeting: March 26, 2019.
- XV. Motion to Adjourn by Randy del Turco and seconded by Joe Caskey, 7:21 PM.

Signature