

Ontario Museum of History & Art Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
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CALL TO ORDER

President Chris Kueng called the Special Museum Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:09 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by President Kueng

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:	President	Chris Kueng
	Board Member	Rick Caughman
		Jerry Weems
		Christian Garcia
	Executive Director	Helen McAlary
	Museum, Arts & Culture Director	Marissa Kuchek
	Collection Curator	Michelle Sifuentes
	Administrative Assistant	Veronica Padilla
ABSENT:	Board Member	Shannon Gerstheimer
	Council Liaison	Debra Dorst-Porada
	Museum Associate Liaison	Leslie Sherwood-James

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 24, 2023, minutes were approved by a 4-0 vote with a motion from Board Member Rick Caughman and a second from Board Member Jerry Weems.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

STAFF REPORTS

Director Report

Museum, Arts & Culture Director, Marissa Kuchek

Accreditation: Director Marissa Kuchek presented the Accreditation Certificate that was received.

Attendance: Director Kuchek presented that the general attendance and the number of tours has increased from October 2022 to October 2023.

First Thursdays: Director Kuchek reported on the continuation of the First Thursday's programming. The month of November was presented by Mario Solorzano with Paint in the Dark.

Art Festival: Director Kuchek reported on the annual Art Festival that took place.

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Built on Water: Director Kuchek reported that the *Water Keepers* app is functional now on both Apple and Android app stores.

Armstrong Exhibit: Director Kuchek informed the board members that teachers and students will share work from the last 5 years.

Staff Report

Curator of Collections, Michelle Sifuentes

Collections: Inventory update

Curator Michelle Sifuentes presented some of the items in the collection as well as a brief timeline of inventorying items. Curator Sifuentes explained how inventorying was done in the past versus how it is done now. There is a web database that will eventually be available to the public for viewing purposes. Curator Sifuentes states that after all the inventory is completed, the items can be used in exhibits.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MUSEUM ASSOCIATES COMMENTS

None.

MUSEUM BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMENTS

Board Member Rick Caughman congratulated staff on the Accreditation, museum attendance numbers, and gave another congratulations to Curator Sifuentes.

Board Member Jerry Weems stated he was impressed with the attendance numbers and all the work done by Curator Sifuentes.

Board Member Christian Garcia stated he appreciated the cataloging that is being done.

President Chris Kueng thanked Curator Sifuentes about her ongoing cataloging. He also thanked everyone involved in getting the Museum accredited.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

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NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, January 23, 2023, at 6:00 PM in Historic Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Board Member Rick Caughman with a second by Board Member Jerry Weems with a 4-0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 PM.

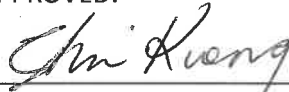
Submitted:



Veronica Padilla

Administrative Assistant

APPROVED:



Chris Kueng

President