

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
ALBUQUERQUE MUSEUM**

13 February 2019

(Approved at the April 10, 2019 BOT meeting)

Present: BOT MEMBERS:

Judith Suiter, Chair
Wayne Chew
Beverly Bendicksen
Helen Atkins
Alan Weitzel
Hal Behl
Maria Griego-Raby (and
aM Foundation President)

CABQ STAFF:

Cynthia Garcia, Assistant Director
Josie Lopez, Curator of Art
Elizabeth Becker, Curator of Education
Denise Crouse, Communications Manager

aM FOUNDATION:

Emily Blaugrund Fox, Executive Director,

Absent: Andrew Connors, Museum Director; Pamela Weese Powell (BOT), joni m palmer, Secretary (BOT)

Action Items in RED.

Meeting called to order

Chairperson Judith Suiter called the meeting to order at 11:36 a.m.

Approval of / Revisions to Minutes

Judith to amend December meeting minutes and send to joni palmer to be presented at the April meeting. Wayne moved to amend the December minutes, Beverly Bendicksen seconded. Unanimous approval.

Chairperson's Report—Judith Suiter

- City is offering board training – next training session is February 26, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the South Broadway Cultural Center. Contact Helen Maestas at hmaestas@cabq.gov to sign up to attend.
- Education Center Report sent out to BOT members. Please review to be discussed at a later meeting.
- Judith and Pamela will schedule coffee with each BOT member individually in the coming weeks to hear thoughts on how the BOT is doing and how we might be able to improve.
- Confirmed all members had board handbook and nametags.

**ACTION ITEM: Judith and Pamela to schedule coffee with BOT members.
Re-order nametag for Beverly with correct spelling.**

Museum Director's Report—Cynthia Garcia for Andrew Connors

- Asked for funds from NM Legislature for museum roof repairs.
- Requested from City of ABQ a surcharge for upcoming Henson exhibit, funds for Education Center architectural drawings and additional funds for roof repair.
- Requested City of ABQ take over Museum School
- Cultural Services requested 80% of Museum revenue be returned to the Museum.
- Attendance update for *Visions of the Hispanic World* exhibit.

Foundation Report—Emily Blaugrund Fox and Maria Griego-Raby

- Shaken, Not Stirred – April 13. Raffle to Maui.
- Author festival.

- Update on recent grants applied for.
- Working on new draft naming policy.
- Upcoming aM Foundation trip April 24-28.
- Beginning to discuss capital campaign for Education Center.
- Started new Community Relations Committee.
- Started task force reviewing vision/analysis for Patio Market.
- Updating Conflict of Interest policy.
- Discussing future format for Patrons' Circle dinner.

Curator Reports

Josie Lopez, Curator of Art

- Next exhibition after *Visions of the Hispanic World* is “*A Past Rediscovered: the Palace of the Governors*”
- Installation in collaboration with UNM: gardening/art/environment in the future
- Karl Hoffmann – artist in residence

Curator of History – vacant –

- Deb Slaney retired January 31
- Josie Lopez gave a brief report

Elizabeth Becker, Curator of Education

- Teen After-School studio
- 2 offsite art programs: 1) at the Native American Charter Academy art club as regular part of the school day; and 2) at the Youth Detention Center on 2nd Street
- Spring break programs 1) at South Broadway Cultural Center; and 2) at the ABQ Museum
- Partnership with Tierra Adentro Charter School focuses on arts and culture of NM
- Casa San Ysidro events and new programs to tie in with environmental ideas and concepts

Other Reports:

Denise Crouse, Communications Manager

- ABQ Journal and Santa Fe Magazine are providing excellent coverage of the ABQ Museum
- Press release for entire season at Casa San Ysidro

Comments and Other Information:

- Numbers of attendees at *Visions of the Hispanic World* are up; 414 attendees paid the surcharge on 2-10-19.
- Visibility of ABQ Museum with elected officials.
- Josie Lopez will give lecture on March 30, 2:00 pm: “Goya’s Sketch books: Folly and Fantasy”

Reminders

- Next BOT meeting is Wednesday the 12th of December at 11:30 am
- **BOT contact list will be sent out electronically**

Adjourn @ 12:58 pm

Beverly Bendicksen moved that the meeting be adjourned and Alan Weitzel seconded. Unanimous approval.

**NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 10 April @ 11:30 am to 1 pm
in the ABQ Museum Conference Room**