

Albuquerque Museum Board of Trustees Meeting
City of Albuquerque Arts & Culture

Wednesday, February 9, 2022 11:30am – 1:00pm
Albuquerque Museum Ventana Salon
Masks Required

Board Members Present

Alan F. Weitzel, Chair	Helen Atkins, Vice-Chair
Beverly R. Bendicksen	Pamela Weese Powell
Sherri Burr	Christine Glidden
Hilma Chynoweth	Donald Couchman
Joni Pierce	

Board Members Absent

Paul Mondragon, Secretary/Treasurer	Chris Baca
Dr. Samorodin-McIlwain	

Albuquerque Museum Staff Present

Andrew Connors, Associate Director	Claudia Gallardo de Campbell
Josie Lopez, Curator of Art	Leslie Kim, Curator of History
Elizabeth Becker, Curator of Education	Julie Valdez, Administrative Assistant
Brandon Gibson, Arts & Culture	Cindy Garcia, Museums Administrator
Andrew Rogers, aMF Executive Director	Denise Crouse, aMF Museum Preparator

Request to Record

Request to record meeting was made by Alan F. Weitzel.
Request approved unanimously.

I Call to Order

The Board Meeting was called to order by Alan F. Weitzel at 11:36am.

II Public Comments

There were no public comments.

III Approval of Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the December 8, 2021, meeting minutes was made by Beverly Bendicksen, Hilma Chynoweth provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

*Augmentation to the Agenda made by Alan F. Weitzel:

Donald Couchman presents a hard copy of the Revised Bylaws of the Albuquerque Museum Board of Trustees

IV Museum Documents Reviews – Josie Lopez Updating these Core Documents has been a culmination of a couple of years of work by the Museum Staff. These documents will be used for the Albuquerque

Museum's consideration of Re-Accreditation by the American Alliance of Museums. The Core Documents are due to the AAM in July of 2022.

Documents Reviewed:

Albuquerque Museum Mission Statement

Albuquerque Museum Code of Ethics

Albuquerque Museum Diversity, Equity, Accessibility and Inclusion Plan-2022

Albuquerque museum Strategic Plan 2020-2022

Albuquerque Museum Collections management Policy

Albuquerque museum Statement of purpose for native American Land Acknowledgement

Albuquerque museum Logic Model

Policies of the Albuquerque Museum – Board of Trustees

A) Upgraded Mission Statement

- Exhibitions, Programs and Art Collections – Upgrade includes what we do with them for the diverse community we live in.

B) Ethics Policy

- Diversity, Equity, Accessibility and Inclusion Plan (DEAI) is now referenced in all elements of the Core Documents. DEAI will be imbedded into everything we do.
- Code of Ethics is a document shared with Museum Staff and Board of Trustees
- Conflict of Interest Policy simplified by shortening and clarifying by utilizing the industry standard of how we are reporting collections. Changes made to sections 8.5 - 8.17

C) Strategic Plan

- 10-year Strategic Plan includes:
 - Updated Education Project
 - Looking at Permanent Exhibits / Updating when needed
 - Accomplishable Goals set in this 10-Year Plan
 - Jill Hartke, aM Photo Archivist wrote a Digital Strategic plan that we will continue to work on with her
- Every two years staff will re-access to evaluate specific dollar amount needs

D) Collections Management Policy

- Curator's team is working on the management of all collections and relevance of pieces in collection
- Final Documents due in July 2022,
- Site visit will be in late 2022
- Accreditation schedule set by American Alliance of Museums
- aM has been accredited for 40 years

E) BOT Policies Revisions

- 8.5 – 8.17
- New Mission Statement added
- Consistency of formatting revisions made throughout all Core Documents

A motion to approve the documents provided made by Sherri Burr, Helen Atkins provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

V aM Foundation 6-30-2021 Financial Report – Andrew Rogers

Andrew Rogers presented a Report on: Assets, Profit & Loss and Functional Expense.

Assets:

- Current Assets have increased by \$300K from previous year from cash growth and unrestricted investments
- RBC Cates Team manages investments – aMF has a sub-committee that reviews investments

Profit & Loss:

- Contributions & Support – Donations / Memberships / Contributions
- Revenue - Special Events affected by Pandemic
- Rental Income from Patio Market Location –
 - Building sold for \$3.3 Million / Net \$3.1 Million / Bulk of net will go into an endowment fund
 - Revenue Line will disappear
 - Museum Support \$1.5 Million / Reimbursement Expenses that aM has incurred
 - Property Management / Includes Batten House Property

Functional Expense

- Museum Support Spending
- Staff / Salaries & Wages for Communications Director and Tour Director at Casa San Isidro
- Exhibit Support
- Educations Support
- Publications / Outsourced Grant Writing / Other

VI Appointment of Board of Trustees Officers Nominating Committee

Request for Volunteers made. Board members who volunteered for Committee are:

- Pamela Weese-Powell
- Paul Mondragon (Absent – previously volunteered)
- Christine Glidden

A motion to approve the new Nominating Committee members was made by Donald Couchman, Sherri Burr provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

VII Bylaws Review Committee Update – Donald Couchman

Revised Bylaws Submitted for Review

- Defer action on Bylaws
- Revisions will be sent to the City of Albuquerque for review, then revised as a Board
- No objections

VIII Museum Director's Report – Andrew Connors

Andrew Connors Reports:

- Andrew extends appreciation for Josie and the aM Staff for the work done on preparing the Core Documents
- The Collections Team is working on de-accessing our collections
- Through the Flower de-accessing presented to the Art Advisory Board:
 - 1977 Objects from Judy Chicago were accepted into collections
 - 2016 returned half of the objects to Judy Chicago
 - Art Advisory Board approves of de-accession
 - Reduced Exhibit to 5 from 300 objects
 - (2) Paintings from Agnes Martin have been added to the Permanent Collection

A motion to approve the de-accession of the Judy Chicago inventory was made by Pamela Weese-Powell, Helen Atkins provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

- Andrew will Cede Remaining Time to Denise Crouse

Presentation by Denise Crouse:

- Digital Assets/Images are made available to Press to be used in their stories
- Handouts for upcoming Exhibits with reference to our Website for additional Information

IX Curators Report

Leslie Kim, Curator of History:

- Facing the Rising Sun has Opened as a collaboration of City of Albuquerque Department of Arts & Culture, Albuquerque Museum, African American Cultural Center, Electric Playhouse and Guest Curator Rita Powdrell
- We have received more objects from the Chinese American Community

Elizabeth Becker, Curator of Education:

- Digital Resources are in their 2nd year of Virtual School Programing distribution
- Equal, if not more students are being reached virtually vs in person
- 30% of these programs are outside of Albuquerque and NM

Josie Lopez, Curator of Art:

- Wonderful collaborating in-house on indigo and Printers Proof
- We have seen growth in collections of Mexican Art

X Albuquerque Museum Foundation Report, Andrew Rogers

- Slate St Café will re-open soon
- Museum Store is at 73% of Annual Goal
- Baton House online Estate Sale in Spring
- ArtsThrive will move to spring beginning in 2023. No ArtsThrive in 2022
- Memorial Donation – 7 year old donated his birthday money to the Museum. He will be featured in next month's magazine
- January 10, 2022 Legislative Breakfast had (4) Legislative Representatives in attendance including (2) that represent the Albuquerque Museum
- Lobbyist Ann Conway Fundraise for Education Center in Santa Fe
 - Targeted 35 Representatives for Hard and Soft commitments
- Gay Betzer Fundraiser Challenge has raised \$160K
- Magic Bus Donation of \$100K received
- \$1 Million Dollar Anonymous Gift Received
- Patron Circle Wall has (4) New Platinum Level Members
- Hired a Freelance Grant Writer – 15-20 grant requests submitted since summer of 2021

X Adjourn

Next meeting will be April 13, 2022, at 11:30am in person at the Albuquerque Museum
Hilma Chynoweth made a motion to adjourn, Alan Weitzel provided a second. Board approves unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 1:16pm