

Albuquerque Museum Board of Trustees Meeting

City of Albuquerque Arts & Culture

Tuesday, April 15, 2025 11:30am – 1:00pm

Albuquerque Museum Auditorium

Board Members Present

Sherri Burr, Chairman

Alan F. Weitzel

John Abreu Grassham

Christine Glidden

Senator Bill Tallman

Lindsey Fromm, Secretary

Board Members Absent

Paul Mondragon

Hilma Chynoweth, Vice Chairman

Albuquerque Museum Staff Present

Andrew Connors, Associate Director

Alicia Romero, History Curator

Ellen Castrone, Collections Curator

Elizabeth Becker, Education Curator

William Gassaway, Assistant Art Curator

Mila Romero, Sr. Administrative Assistant

Albuquerque Museum Foundation Staff Present

Stephanie Del Campo

Public Attendees

None

I Call to Order by Sherri Burr, and Authorization to Record

The Board Meeting was called to order by Sherri Burr at 11:33 am and authorization was granted to record.

II Public Comment

Nena-Joy Almodovar emailed with her support of the Albuquerque Museum and ArtsThrive.

III Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the February 11, 2025 meeting minutes was made by Lindsey Fromm, Alan Weitzel provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

IV Quorum Count Proposed Amendments to City Councilors

Sherri Burr reported:

- Board members were provided with a copy of the proposed amendment to the quorum count ordinance
- Burr read the proposal clarifying the two new sentences for the proposed amendment

A motion to approve the proposed amendment to the quorum ordinance was made by Alan Weitzel, Christine Glidden provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

V Report of Nominating Committee – John Grassham and Alan Weitzel

Alan Weitzel reported:

The following members were nominated by the committee:

- Hilma Chynoweth for Chairman
- Lindsey Fromm for Vice Chairman

- John Grassham for Secretary

A motion to approve was made by Lindsey Fromm, Bill Tallman provided a second. Board approved with one abstention.

VI Museum Director Report – Andrew Connors

Andrew Connors Reported:

- Incredible turn out for *Light, Space, and the Shape of Time* opening day
- Agenda item for next BOT meeting is proposed revision for reserve collections
- IMLS grant cancelled under new administration; Albuquerque Museum Foundation Board will be asked to approve of using General Acquisitions and Care Fund to help support the three employees paid from this grant

VII Deaccessioning Policies – Ellen Castrone

Ellen Castrone reported:

- The Summary of Deaccession Policy and Procedures and a Flow Chart of General Deaccessioning (Article IV) was handed out to board members

VIII Curators Reports

Elizabeth Becker reported:

- 139 Magic Bus tours are scheduled which includes 300 classrooms
- Visits are slightly higher this year with UNM groups, school groups, and out of state schools
- *Border Doors* exhibition closing program on May 4
- Focus on Youth Exhibition opens on May 3

Alicia Romero reported:

- History Advisory Committee approved partial gift/purchase of photos of Las Vegas, NM by Alex Traube
- Special Collections Library exhibition opening Memorial Day weekend opening followed by later public talk on June 1
- Route 66 project is on-going

William Gassaway reported:

- *Light, Space and the Shape of Time* exhibition opening talk with Soo Sunny Park, Patron's Circle dinner and member day
- Visiting artist, Nanibah Chacon's *Erase the Horse...* lobby installation will take 10 days or so

IX Albuquerque Museum Foundation Report – John Martinez

Stephanie Del Campo reported in John Martinez's absence:

- Patron's circle went well and great reviews of *Light, Space, and the Shape of Time*
- AMF horrified that grant funds were pulled from IMLS, AMF working on support

X Adjourn

Next meeting will be Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 11:30 am in person at Albuquerque Museum or via Zoom.

Bill Tallman made a motion to adjourn, John Grassham provided a second. Board approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:49 pm.