

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

Wednesday, June 14, 2023 11:30am – 1:00pm
Albuquerque Museum Auditorium

Board Members Present

Alan F. Weitzel, Chairman	Christine Glidden
Paul Mondragon, Vice Chairman	Steve Gallegos
Hilma Chynoweth, Secretary	Senator Bill Tallman
Sherri Burr	Scott Schaffer

Board Members Absent

Helen Atkins	Augustine “Chris” Baca
Pamela Weese Powell	

Albuquerque Museum Staff Present

Andrew Connors, Associate Director	Elizabeth Becker, Education Curator
Cyndy Garcia, Museum Administrator	Michelle Lanteri, Curator of Collections
Josie Lopez, Head Curator	Mila Romero, Sr. Administrative Assistant
Alicia Romero, History Curator	

Albuquerque Museum Foundation Staff Present

Scott Schaffer in Andrew Rodgers, Executive Director’s absence

I Call to Order and Authorization to Record

The Board Meeting was called to order by Alan Weitzel at 11:39am and approved to record.

II Public Comments

There were no public comments.

III Approval of Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the February 8, 2023, meeting minutes was made by Sherri Burr, Christine Glidden provided a second. A motion to approve the April 12, 2023 meeting minutes was made by Steve Gallegos, Christine Glidden provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

IV Introduction of Alicia Romero, Curator of History

- Presented several stories important to her professional and personal story
- Commented on the History exhibition coming up
- Spoke about re-vamping the Only In Albuquerque exhibition, focusing on New Mexico, not just the standard expected stories

V Update on GO Bond

Andrew Connors reported:

- Thanked Sherri Burr, Steve Gallegos, Scott Schaffer, Bill Tallman and Albuquerque Museum Foundation for their support

- Albuquerque Journal and certain city council people supportive of the museum receiving the reallocated funds for Education building after Unser Museum moved to Nebraska; however no action has been taken on relocation

VI Consideration of, and vote for/against, changing the meeting day from Wednesday to Tuesday or Thursday

A motion to approve the meeting day change from Wednesday to Tuesday was made by Sherri Burr, Bill Tallman provided second. Board approved unanimously. Scott Schaffer abstained.

VII If meeting day is changed, vote to modify our Open Meetings Resolution

A motion to approve modifying our Open Meetings Resolution was made by Bill Tallman, Christine Glidden provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

VIII Presentation of proposed slate of officers for 2023/2024 year. Vote on officers to be held during August meeting

Hilma Chynoweth proposed the following officers for the 2023/2024 year:

- Alan F. Weitzel, Chairman
- Sherri Burr, Vice Chair
- Paul Mondragon, Treasurer
- Hilma Chynoweth, Secretary

IX Museum Director Report, Andrew Connors

- Thanked everyone again for their support
- Introduced Michelle Lanteri as the new Curator of Collections
- Assistant Director position still vacant, delivered HR packet for next applicant
- Julie Valdez resigned as Event Coordinator
- Assistant Facility Supervisor position open
- City funding for the coming year is the same as last year's level

X Curators Reports

Elizabeth Becker reported:

- Museum full of kids this summer
- Museum school fully booked
- McKinney Vento Program (APS) to support homeless students
- Several summer youth programs
- Museum an engaging place for kids
- Third Thursday in June
 - Two partnerships – National Dance Institute and Marietta Patricia Leis
 - The Links – sponsoring special photography workshops in preparation for Juneteenth
- Third Thursday in July – Fusion Theatre stage reading in conjunction with *Dictators and the Disappeared* exhibition
- 10,585 students/teachers visited the museum in person/virtual in FY2023

Josie Lopez reported:

- Spoke about visiting artists in the Lobby, Ronald Rael and Marietta Patricia Leis
- Discussed Jill Hartke's exhibition in the museum hallway, Those (un)Familiar Faces
- Three paintings from collection traveling
- Introduced O'Keeffe and Moore exhibition this fall

- *Dictators and the Disappeared* exhibition opening on June 24 and asked for support for such an emotionally and historically subject

Michelle Lanteri reported:

- Honor to be here and this is her second week

XI Albuquerque Museum Foundation Report, Andrew Rodgers

Scott Schaffer reported on Andrew Rodgers' behalf:

- Thanked Steve Gallegos, Sherri Burr and Bill Tallman for their support at city Council meeting
- Andrew Rodgers is working to receive additional funds for the Education building
- Andrew Rodgers will send Talking Points for future support requests
- Foundation will have budget workshops for the Board of Directors
- There will be a 7% increase for museum support in FY2024

X Adjourn

Next meeting will be August 8, 2023, at 11:30am in person at the Albuquerque Museum.

Scott Schaffer made a motion to adjourn, Sherri Burr provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45pm.