



Board of Trustees Virtual Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 11th, 2021

3:00 - 4:30 pm, conducted via ZOOM web hosting

Members in Attendance: Chair Nancy Abruzzo, Vice Chair Josh Bacon, Michael Anderson, Ron Behrman, J. D. Huss, Bradley, Nora Tocci, Cindy Hernandez-Wall, Gina Montoya, Angela Romero, Jonathan Wolfe

Museum Stakeholders in Attendance: Nan Masland, Lynn Newton, Laurie Magovern, Hakim Bellamy, Eric Wimmer, John Fitzpatrick

Meeting called to order 3:07pm by Chair Nancy Abruzzo

No Minutes from last meeting to approve.

Approval of Agenda: Ron Behrman 1st Gina Montoya 2nd approved unanimously with no additions

Board Chair and Vice-Chair Election: Nan Masland reviewed procedures and term history with previous Board Chair Peter Cuneo stepping down having Vice-Chair Josh Bacon step up as interim Chair, having Nancy Abruzzo assist as Chair in late 2021 allowing her term to continue. Josh Bacon to continue as Vice-Chair.

Cindy Hernandez made a motion to keep Board Slate as it was voted on two meeting Ron Behrman 2nd approved unanimously

Accepted Meeting Schedule for 2022: January 12, March 9, May 11, July 13, August 24, September 21, November 9 2022. Second Wednesday of bi-monthly meeting schedule from 3-430pm. To be held at the Balloon Museum with a Zoom option. Discussion of addition Board Meeting prior to 50th Fiesta.

Review proposed Collections Policy: Eric Wimmer reviewed attached larger collections policy. Subsection 3.7 Collections Committee language to meet every two weeks prior to regular Board meetings with recommendations of donations. Composition of Committee with official procedures of first steps prior donation/purchase presentation. Review prior to January meeting. With 3 members of the Board of Trustees with 3 other members with specific knowledge in the subject matter.

Gina Montoya made motion to agree to adopt 3.7 language approval with later review by January meeting. Nora Tocci 2nd unanimously approved.

Collections Committee Recommendations: Ron Behrman, Dr Lynne Newton and New Registrar Rebecca Prinster as note taker. 5 items to consider for acceptance to collection. Question on acquisition and shipping cost to be determined on case by case basis. Discussion on criteria of why items were approved by committee associated with mission, with space and storage concerns. Planning for exhibition of future displays allows for use. Exhibition development of modern hot air ballooning with military involvement and development. All of these items are historically specific with great importance following the mission vs. general gondolas as donated in the past. Moving forward include photos with more of a focused mission driven explanation of the items. Suggestions on having other entities to help sponsor costs ie. Boeing.

1. Burke - gondola and burner used in 1983 Berlin Wall Protest by Green Peace Cold-War flight of anti-Nuclear Proliferation.
2. Schaffer – balloon, envelope, and gondola for Father William Balloon.
3. Douglass – 2 gondolas
4. Fogle – 19th century French Journal
5. Khin – fire balloon painting

Ron Behrman made motion to accept all 5 items. Jonathan Wolf 2nd unanimously approved.

Board Initiatives – Nan Masland

Survey Results of Board participation

	Collections	Exhibitions				Education Outreach		Notes
Trustee Name	Collections Committee	Storage	50th	Support	Art Gallery	Fact Checker	Field Trips SITS	Consult on New Ideas
Ron Behrman	x		x					
Cyndy Hernandez Wall	x	x	x	x		x		
Jonathan Wolfe			x	x	x	x	x	x
Nora Tocci		x	x	x	x		x	x
Gina Montoya								
								Intern, Docent, Volunteer Coord
Nancy Abruzzo	x							I'd like to help where best needed, the 50th and Legislative/City work
Robert Josh Bacon			x					

Troy Bradley offered to be on Collections and Fact Checking
 50th planning- meet monthly with Fiesta and liaison with Board. Nora Tocci and Cindy Hernandez-Wall,

Gina Montoya would like to help with new ideas and fieldtrips

Legislative Priorities – Nan Masland, Laurie Magovern and Jeremy Rutherford met to discuss financial request from NM Legislature. Push to start earlier long-term involvement with Legislators on a personal engagement. STEAM Nights - Bubbles and Bubbly Dec 11th. Monthly event for all ages each month \$6 administration. Government Relations

Committee Involvement Nancy and Cindy want to continue with involvement. Possibly host a legislative day in Santa Fe during the session proclamation gondola display.

Manager's Report – Nan Masland: most items covered previously in meeting. City hosted several events during Fiesta. Fiesta season attendance over 44,000 with about 2000 Fiesta tickets sold throughout the week with an update to follow.

- a. General Obligation Bond – Dept. of Arts and Culture
- b. Balloon Fiesta Season
- c. Personnel Update
 - i. Registrar –Operations and Events Supervisor
- d. Facility Update
 - i. Roof replacement Summer 2022
 - ii. Staff Reports
- e. Collections & Registrar- Eric Wimmer covered in meeting
- f. Exhibitions – Lynne Newton – Sunport and 50th

Foundation Report – Laurie Magovern a refresh of museum Shoppe with branding and cohesiveness of museums. Increase of Forever Tiles. New design of dining events with 3 levels. Higher than 2019 revenue generated with higher cost of operation with lessons learned. Shoppe sales were slightly down compared to 2019. More events planned as Museum Market on November 28th with local artists in conjunction with National Museum Store Sunday. Valentine's Day Friends and Lover events in collaboration with AAAA. April 30th Museum Gala. Foundation will represent at NM Legislature to have \$250-300k ask.

Announcements and events

S.T.E.A.M Nights at Balloon Museum Saturday, December 11th , 5:30-7:30 pm
"Bubbles and Bubbly" an evening for curious minds of all ages
With Bubble Science Show, live music, and Sparkling Wine by VARA and food truck

Announcement of next meeting – January 12, 2022 at 3 pm

Meeting Adjourned