

Museum Oversight Board Meeting

Minutes

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Attendees: Nelda Bryan, Scott Clark, Paul Reilly, Chelsea Teater

Absentees: Nancy Miller

Guests: Sara Wilson, Executive Director & David Lewis, Board President

Start Time: 11:40am

Minutes: 8/20/18 minutes were approved with 1 update. It was changed, in the Board President's Report, that the Museum has been in NAGPRA compliance since 2014. The rest of the minutes were approved as distributed.

Receipts: August receipts were approved.

Executive Director Report:

- Thanks to the Messick Trust there are now 8 new security cameras at Wyeth Tootle and 22 security cameras (14 North Side, 8 South Side). The cameras are easily accessed by staff and now they can monitor the Museum on their phones or computers. The security cameras had not been updated since the 1990s.
- There are many new items coming into the gift shop. Some highlighted items augment the Museum's extensive Northwest Coast collection and are designed by and promote Indigenous artisans.
- A test was completed on the boiler in the Wyeth Tootle Mansion and it has some leaks. This means it can't be used this winter. The museum is still waiting to hear back about the HVAC system. The Wyeth Tootle Mansion has electric heat, but it is very expensive to use alone without a working boiler system and there is some concern about the pipes freezing in the basement without the boiler.
- *Missouri over There* exhibit, at the East Hills Mall, was very successful. 187 people wrote on comment cards, there were 25 different zip codes mentioned, and there was an estimated 1000+ attendees to this exhibit. Because of its success, the Museum has been asked to apply to host the *Patriot Nations Exhibit* (at the mall) which features Native Americans who served in the Armed Forces.
- Some of the exhibits in the Wyeth Tootle Mansion are also changing. Four rooms, on the second floor will be opened to the public featuring the themes of Nature, Architecture, Culture, and Transportation.

Board President Report:

- The cost of moving and installing the HVAC at the Frederick Avenue Site is estimated to cost around \$180,000. The museum will need to have a Capital Campaign and plans to push for a soft campaign in November in the Museum Graphic.
- Next year (2019) the museum will push for a full, formal Capital Campaign.
- There are a lot of upkeep and maintenance projects that need to be addressed. If they are not fixed soon they will cause a lot of issues for the museum later on (ex: Heating/Cooling, roof repairs).

Museum Oversight Board President:

- Scott Clark took The Joint Commission surveyors through the Glore Museum. One of the surveyors mentioned that the Museum's collections were comparable to the Smithsonian Museum's collections. They were amazed and pleasantly surprised by the Glore Museum here in St. Joseph.

Next Museum Oversight Board Meeting: Monday October 15th, 2018 at 11:30am

Meeting Adjourned: 12:15pm

Minutes Submitted by Chelsea Teater; Museum Oversight Board Secretary