

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

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 11:30am – 1:00pm
Albuquerque Museum Auditorium

Board Members Present

Alan F. Weitzel, Chairman
Sherri Burr, Vice Chairman
Hilma Chynoweth, Secretary

Christine Glidden
Lindsey Fromm
Scott Schaffer

Board Members Absent

Paul Mondragon
Augustine “Chris” Baca

Senator Bill Tallman

Albuquerque Museum Staff Present

Elsa Menendez, Deputy Director
Cyndy Garcia, Museum Administrator
Andrew Connors, Associate Director
Bibi Baloyra, Assistant Director

Josie Lopez, Head Curator
Elizabeth Becker, Education Curator
Alicia Romero, History Curator
Mila Romero, Sr. Administrative Assistant

Albuquerque Museum Foundation Staff Present

Andrew Rodgers, Executive Director

Public Attendees

None

I Call to Order by Alan Weitzel, and Authorization to Record

The Board Meeting was called to order by Alan Weitzel at 11:38 am and approved to record.

II Public Comment

There were no public comments.

III Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

- A. A motion to approve the December 12, 2023 meeting minutes was made by Hilma Chynoweth, Sherri Burr provided a second. Board approved unanimously.
- B. A motion to approve the February 13, 2024 meeting minutes was made by Lyndsey Fromm, Hilma Chynoweth provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

IV Appointment of Russ Davidson to the History Advisory Committee, Alicia Romero

A motion to approve the appointment of Russ Davidson to the History Advisory Committee was made by Sherri Burr, Lindsey Fromm provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

V Appointment of Alan Weitzel to the Art Advisory Committee, Josie Lopez

A motion to approve the appointment of Alan Weitzel to the Art Advisory Committee was made by Sherri Burr, Hilma Chynoweth provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

VI Proposed changes to Article III (3.4-4) of the Policies to address the issue of the Reserve Collection, Josie Lopez

Josie Lopez reported:

Policy changed in 2018 due to full deaccession process

A motion to approve the proposed changes to Article III (3.4-4) of the Policies to address the issue of the Reserve Collection was made by Sherri Burr, Hilma Chynoweth provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

VII Institute for Museum and Library Services Grant, Josie Lopez

Josie Lopez reported:

- Requirements for IMLS grant:
 - A report to the Board of Trustees
 - 20% of total collections cataloged over a 3-year period is also a requirement
 - Create five online exhibitions
- aM is on pace for full 3-years of funding

VIII Discussion: How Trustees can support Museum endeavors

Sherri Burr reported: She wrote two letters, interviewed with the Journal, and attended City Council meetings. We need to be proactive with this area's councilor Joaquin Baca. Board of Trustees should be museum members.

Scott Schaffer reported: we need a relationship with city councilors, try to be in their ear early

Hilma Chynoweth reported: Need to have one on one conversations with city councilors, invite them to Third Thursday events, Exhibition openings, etc. We need white paper information to relay.

Alan Weitzel reported: Senator Bill Tallman will not be running again so we need to support all who are running.

IX Museum Director Report, Andrew Connors

Andrew Connors reported:

- Artist in residence, Chip Thomas, will meet with students and parents at this month's Third Thursday
- Six different events will happen at this month's Third Thursday
- May opening of the Focus On Youth exhibition, free public opening on Sunday, May 5

X Curators Reports

Alicia Romero reported:

- Nuclear Communities opening
- Preparing for Border Doors exhibition
- Preparing the Route 66 timeline in collaboration with Public Art at City Hall

Josie Lopez reported:

- Art Program: Chip Thomas kick off for Broken Boxes and the catalog is in the works
- Art Advisory Committee will meet this afternoon and report to the board in two months
- Asked the board to visit the Coast to Coast to Coast exhibition

XI Albuquerque Museum Foundation Report, Andrew Rodgers

Andrew Rodgers reported:

- Last week of ArtsThrive
- Foundation is meeting sales goals
- Will exceed 2,700 in membership sales
- Will meet October-December for the next legislation session for education center funding
- Requesting Governor's support

XII Adjourn

Next meeting will be Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 11:30 am in person at the Albuquerque Museum.

Sherri Burr made a motion to adjourn, Hilma Chynoweth provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1:04 pm.