

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

Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 11:30am – 1:00pm  
Albuquerque Museum Ventana Salon

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**Board Members Present**

Alan F. Weitzel, Chairman	Christine Glidden
Sherry Burr, Vice Chairman	Senator Bill Tallman
Hilma Chynoweth, Secretary	Lindsey Fromm
John Abreu Grassham	

**Board Members Absent**

Paul Mondragon	Roddy Thomson
Augustine “Chris” Baca	

**Albuquerque Museum Staff Present**

Elsa Menendez, Deputy Director	Elizabeth Becker, Education Curator
Cyndy Garcia, Museums Administrator	Alicia Romero, History Curator
Andrew Connors, Associate Director	Mila Romero, Sr. Administrative Assistant
Bibi Baloyra, Assistant Director	

**Albuquerque Museum Foundation Staff Present**

Denise Crouse	Stephanie DelCampo
Alicyn Archuleta	

**Guests**

Devendra Contractor, DNCA Architects	Deirdre Harris, DNCA Architects
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**Members of the Public**

Roberta Gore	Patricia Stella Mares
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**I. Call to Order by Alan Weitzel, and Authorization to Record**

The Board Meeting was called to order by Alan Weitzel at 11:36 am and approved to record.

**II. Public Comment**

Roberta Gore joined the meeting because she loves and studied art and wanted to learn more about the Albuquerque Museum Board of Trustees.

Patricia Stella Mares joined the meeting from the community and is interested in art and to learn more about the Albuquerque Museum Board of Trustees.

**III. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes**

A motion to approve the June 11, 2024, meeting minutes was made by Hilma Chynoweth, John Abreu Grassham provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

#### **IV. Report of Nominating Committee**

The nominating committee proposed the following candidates:

Sherry Burr, Chairman

Hilma Chynoweth, Vice Chairman

Lindsey Fromm, Secretary

#### **V. Election of Officers for 2024-2025 year**

A motion to approve the nomination of the officers as proposed was made by Christine Glidden, John Abreu Grassham provided a second. Board approved unanimously. *Sherry Burr took over as chair for the remainder of the meeting.*

#### **VI. Education Center Design Presentation by Devendra Contractor, project architect**

Devendra Contractor reported:

- The Mayor's Office has approved this plan
- Discussions concerning the plan for two phases, wall colors, outside sculptures, outside classroom space, and the lobby as a gathering space
- Every wall is an opportunity for art and temporary graphic engagement

Andrew Connors reported:

- Education Center is a public/private partnership
- Public groundbreaking for Phase 1 will be in the Fall of 2025, pending finalization of remaining funding
- Successful due to Albuquerque Museum Foundation's three years of lobbying both to the NM Legislature and with members of the City Council

#### **VII. Museum Director Report, Andrew Connors**

Andrew Connors reported:

- A vandal broke several windows in the museum this morning along with destruction at several buildings in Old Town; the neighborhood has come together with mutual support
- *Making American Artists* exhibition closed on Sunday
- *Broken Boxes: A Decade of Art, Action, and Dialog* opens on September 7 with three of the 24 works already in place; the runoff the exhibition (through March 2) is packed with programming

#### **VIII. Curators Reports**

Alicia Romero reported:

- History program is developing content for Albuquerque history timeline murals at City Hall and Kimo Theatre
- Rt. 66 Centennial Exhibition for 2026
- *Border Doors Puertas Fronterizas* opens October 5 in Gallery 6 in partnership with Sandia Prep students, faculty, and community
- Photo Archives has catalogued over 1,000 photos
- Met the cataloguing goal for the IMLS grant

Elizabeth Becker reported:

- Annual concert series with Chatter in four different locations through-out the museum on Third Thursday in August
- 60 Magic Bus registrations requests since first week of August

### **IX. Albuquerque Museum Foundation Report, John Martinez**

Denise Crouse reported in John Martinez's absence:

- Campaigning for youth, Magic Bus, and Art Matters
- Donor relations Masterworks program shift for Broken Boxes exhibition from support for individual works of art to support the exhibit in general
- Proud to be a sponsor of Albuquerque Museum
- Foundation raises money in many ways to support ourselves and the distribution of funds to the museum

### **X. Adjourn**

Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 11:30 am in person and via Zoom at Albuquerque Museum.

Senator Bill Tallman made a motion to adjourn, Hilma Chynoweth provided a second. Board approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:59 pm.