

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

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 11:30am – 1:00pm
Albuquerque Museum Auditorium

Board Members Present

Sherri Burr, Chairman

Hilma Chynoweth, Vice Chairman

Alan F. Weitzel

John Abreu Grassham

Christine Glidden

Senator Bill Tallman

Roddy Thomson

Board Members Absent

Paul Mondragon

Augustine “Chris” Baca

Lindsey Fromm, Secretary

Albuquerque Museum Staff Present

Elsa Menendez, Deputy Director

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

John Martinez

Denise Crouse

Public Attendees

Roberta Gore

I Call to Order by Sherri Burr, and Authorization to Record

The Board Meeting was called to order by Sherri Burr at 11:34 am and approved to record.

II Public Comment

There were no public comments.

III Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the August 13, 2024 meeting minutes and October 8, 2024 meeting minutes (with a request to change order of names in the Board Members Present column) was made by Hilma Chynoweth, Alan Weitzel provided a second. Board approved unanimously.

IV Report from Foundation Board Meeting - Alan Weitzel

Alan Weitzel reported:

- Albuquerque Museum Foundation forwarded maps of the districts to Foundation members for Albuquerque Museum Trustee recruitment
- Albuquerque Museum Foundation reconsidering the Trip Program for fundraising

V History Advisory Committee Vacancy – Alicia Romero

Alicia Romero reported:

- Board of Trustee vacancy on the History Advisory Board
- History Advisory Board schedule s the first Wednesday of April, August, and September

VI Museum Director Report – Andrew Connors

Andrew Connors reported:

- Praised Josie Lopez’s time at the museum
- Modern Art and Politics in Germany Exhibition opening in August 2025
- Mayor Keller dedicated the museum’s Grand Lobby to Mayor Jim Baca and will now be named the Jim Baca Lobby
- Two positions have been filled at the museum:
 - Diana Delgado – Museum Engagement Coordinator
 - Quynh Nguyen – Accountant II
- One new permanent position at the museum – Assistant Curator of History

VII Curators Reports

Josie Lopez reported:

- Projects at the museum take years and she is here to help after her departure
- Thanked William Gassaway and Teresa Skiba for their work
- Thanked Ginger Hendricks for the grant work for Broken Boxes

Alicia Romero reported:

- Successful year with Nuclear Communities and Border Doors Exhibitions
- Many tours with youth and state legislators

Elizabeth Becker reported:

- Alvarado Elementary School will have Art Class with artist and will join the January 3rd Thursday event
- Collaboration with Explora for early learning and the arts programming

VIII Albuquerque Museum Foundation Report – John Martinez

John Martinez reported:

- Foundation is focused on fundraising
- This will be the last year for the ArtsThrive fundraising event
- Will share more after board meeting next week
- Hosting Greater Albuquerque legislators on a tour of Border Doors with Alicia Romero
- Mexican Consulate toured Boarder Doors with Alicia Romero as well
- Approaching the Governor regarding supporting our efforts on Education Center

IX Adjourn

Next meeting will be Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 11:30 am in person at Albuquerque Museum.

Alan Weitzel made a motion to adjourn, Christine Glidden provided a second. Board approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:59 pm.