

Albuquerque Museum Board of Trustees

Albuquerque Museum

2000 Mountain Road NW

Minutes from April 10, 2019

In Attendance:

Judith Suiter, Pamela Weese, Helen Atkins, Beverly Bendicksen, Joni Palmer, Alan Weitzel, Maria Griego-Raby

Staff: Andrew Connors, Elizabeth Becker, Emily Blaugrund Fox, Josie Lopez, Denise Crouse

Guest: Hakim Bellamy - Deputy Director of Cultural Services for City of ABQ

Call to order at 11:33 a.m. by Chair, Judith Suiter

I. Chair Report- Judith Suiter

Coffee conversations with BOT members Summary of Thoughts:

- Process, procedures and deliverables as well as updating the handbook
- BOT roles and responsibilities
- Foundation relationship with BOT
- Partnerships with other organizations
- Vision for the future Education Center
- Long Range Vision
- Strategic Sustainable Plan for Museum
- Casa San Ysidro - funding and review plans and documents
- Advise Mayor and City Council on BOT activities
- Museum needs to be more inclusive/welcoming space
- Finances/budgets of museum and Foundation

Josie Lopez: American Alliance of Museums - Accreditation is coming up in a couple of years. Diversity and inclusion plan is something that needs to be worked on. ABQ Museum is the only accredited museum in NM. To be accredited, all must meet highest level of best practices.

II. Approval of Minutes from Dec. 12, 2018 and Feb. 13th, 2019 meetings

Beverly motions

Maria 2nds

Passed unanimously

III. Beverly Bendicksen - Presentation on Finances of Foundation

IV. Cynthia Garcia – Presentation of Albuquerque Museum Budget

V. Director's Report – Andrew Connors

Casa San Ysidro- Lawrence Rael meeting with Sandoval County and Corrales to increase their financial commitment to Casa.

Advisory committees for Art and History - Both committees have been asked how to be better, trying to get them to think about the future.

Please talk to your City Councilor about Casa- the greatest need is for FTE Site Mgr.

VI. Foundation Report – Emily Blaugrund Fox

2 new staff: Nora for ArtsThrive and Jenna is Development Associate

The Foundation received \$125k from the legislature this year. The funding supports repair of the roof at the Museum.

VII. Curator Reports

Art Curator, Josie Lopez

Added 2020-2021 exhibit: 30 Americans; Dropped out of Apollo exhibition which was too expensive.

Education Curator, Elizabeth Becker

44 student tours-more than double last year

Making extra effort to reach out to bilingual schools.

VIII. New Business

Joni Palmer has resigned as Secretary/Treasurer of BOT, will stay on board.

Vote- Pamela moves, Alan 2nds- Passed unanimously.

Next meeting at Batten House Library on June 12, 2019

Meeting Adjourned