

Present: Meg Bollinger, Candace Giesen, Mike Halla, Phil Hoff, Lee Kummer, Erin LaBonte, Adam Lovell, Jeanie Miller, Steve Proszenyak, Dolly Stokes, Greg Vadney, Amy Fricke-Weigel

Absent: Carrie Estrella, Kathy Halla, Dayna Goetz, Patrick Neuenfeldt,

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 by Board President Proszenyak

Public Input: none

The meeting began by welcoming two new board members, Candace Giesen and Lee.

Minutes A motion was made by Hoff, seconded by Fricke-Weigel and unanimously approved by the board to accept the June minutes as written.

Financial Review

An overview of the Museum's current budget was given to the board to review

Presidents Report – Steve Proszenyak

Marketing/Membership Committee

- Post Cards
 - There was more discussion on the postcards and also purchasing posters
- Survey Program
 - Survey targets will be Youth Art Month, Sputnikfest, Tablesettings and the Summer Exhibit.
- Fundraising
 - The possibility of an “overnight in the mansion” event as a fundraiser to be held in October.

Education Committee

- There was no meeting held in July
- Vadney informed the board that Amy Zander would need to cut back on the hours she works for the museum. Another instructor will be contracted to fill in where needed.

Collections Committee

- No meeting

Buildings/Grounds

- Prioritized RWAM needs using city's system:
 - 1st priority - Landscaping and outdoor signage
 - 2nd priority - Gallery carpet & wallcovering, Lounge furnishings
 - 3rd priority - Interior signage

Art Fair Committee

- No meeting

Board Meeting Time

Since there were several new members assigned to the board this year, it was necessary to confirm that the current meeting time worked for all board members. A motion was made by Hoff, seconded by Miller and unanimously approved by the board to keep the meeting time as 12:00 noon on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

Directors Report – Greg Vadney

2017 Budget

- The City is currently preparing the 2017 budget. The Museum's operating budget will remain much the same as 2016 .
- Capital expenditures

- Key Card access for employees
- Add 4 additional security cameras
- Replace 1975 boiler
- The Foundation Board will discuss sharing some of these costs at their July 26th Board Meeting

Greg will be attending the AMM Convention in Minneapolis July 28th 7 29th.

Friends Advisory Committee – Jeanie Miller
Opening Celebration netted \$200 in the Floral Auction

Foundation – Mike Halla

- Reviewed Financials
- Will discuss matching some of the Capital expenses and Fundraising possibilities

Collections – Adam Lovell

- In the future, all acquisitions must first be approved by the Collections committee before being presented to the board for consideration.
- The Sputnik IV replica is currently on loan to the Neville Museum in Green Bay. We will borrow the Visitor Center's replica for Sputnikfest.

Old Business

Miller asked what the status was regarding the transfer of RWAM Membership money to the RWAM Charitable Foundation. Halla said he would be putting this on the agenda for the Foundation's July 26th meeting.

Fricke-Weigel mentioned that some of our patrons have been told by members of Masquers that they cannot park in the north parking lot during museum events. The Rahr has an agreement with Masquers that our visitors can park there. There is also a sign posted on their building stating that Museum visitors are allowed to park in their parking lot. Vadney will speak with Masquers.

A motion was made by Hoff, seconded by Miller and unanimously approved by the board to adjourn at 1:05pm.

Respectfully submitted
Elaine Schroeder