

Rahr-West Art Museum
Board of Director Minutes

July 17, 2019

Present: Diana Bolander, Amy Gehrig, Candice Giesen, Steve Proszenyak, Greg Vadney, Amy Fricke-Weigel, HaLeigh Zipperer

Absent: Carrie Estrella, Phil Hoff, Lori Kirby, Erin LaBonte, Jeremiah Novak, Dolly Stokes

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Proszenyak at 12:05 pm.

2. Public Input

None

3. Minutes – President

Motion was made by Fricke-Weigel, seconded by Giesen, and unanimously approved by the board to accept the June minutes as written.

4. Review of Financial Accounts

No questions

5. President Report-Steven Proszenyak

a. Education Committee

Did not meet.

b. Membership/Marketing Committee—Fricke-Weigel

Met July 16. Vadney presented a marketing overview of 2019. The committee had a couple of questions, but no cause for concern. The plan is for a similar budget for 2020. They also discussed dividing up the marketing tasks. The committee will meet again in August and will discuss the prints for members.

c. Buildings & Grounds Committee

Did not meet.

d. Public Arts Committee--Vadney

Met on July 9. Main discussion was about the Mirro fence wrap. The fence is being installed and the fence mesh is printed. The project should be installed by next month, with a dedication taking place during Art Slam. The Art Forward Articles for the next one and a half months are completed. They also discussed ideas for Public arts for 2020 and are potentially looking at a project to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Manitowoc. During the June meeting, there was discussion of the downtown plan and the potential public arts funds for future years.

e. Development Committee

Did not meet.

6. Director Report-Greg Vadney

Budget preparations for 2020 are underway. Numbers appear to be in line with 2019. The office renovation was discussed at the Capital Allocation Work Group. It seemed to be well received and positive.

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Reaccreditation through AAM is underway. Bolander submitted the self-study component of the process. Planning for an end of year onsite visit for the process. Only 20 other museums in the state are accredited.

7. Rahr-West Friends Committee Report—Gehrig
Shopper at the Rahr sales are increasing and going very well.

8. Foundation Report-Vadney
Financial accounts were reviewed. The Foundation Board will meet July 23.

9. Collection Report—Bolander
Committee met July 16 and discussed three potential acquisitions (gifts). One of the acquisitions was denied, one was tabled for the next meeting, and one was recommended for accession. The Board did not have quorum to vote on accepting the gift at the July meeting. This has been tabled until the August meeting.

A dehumidifier has been ordered and will be installed in the collections storage. There have been several spikes in humidity.

10. Old Business
Alien Drop tickets were distributed to Board members who were in attendance. Sold ticket stubs, money for tickets and all unsold tickets should be returned by the August Board meeting.

11. Adjourn
A motion was made by Fricke-Weigel , seconded by Gehrig, and unanimously approved by the board to adjourn at 12:25 pm.

Submitted by Melissa Franz, Administrative Support Specialist