Minutes

Museum Advisory Board

April 18, 2024

1. The meeting was called to order by Floris Mikkelson at 4:03 p.m.

   Board Present: Gary Alexander, George Junne, Floris Mikkelson, Emma Pena-McCleave, Nancy Masimer.

   Board Absent: Marcus Embry and Micheal Weiland.

   Staff Present: Katie Ross, Geoff Havens, Chris Bowles, Brecklyn Everhart, Megan Weiler.

2. Approval of March Minutes:

   Motion to approve the March minutes made by Emma Pena-McCleave and seconded by George Junne.

3. Reports:

   CPRD Report: Presented by Chris Bowles (on behalf of Diana Frick)

   Culture Division Report (Megan Weiler)

   - Berry Dun is working behind the scenes for the Master Plan.
   - In 2 weeks the CPRD recommendations are due to finance. The leaders are meeting, and the requests have been turned in.
   - Leadership is aware that last year the museums did not receive any budget increases, and they are doing their best to get everything in order to not let that happen again.

   Museum Report (Chris Bowles)

   - The opening of Pleibol was a big event last month. There were 68 people that came to the opening of the exhibit.
   - Chris and Holly and Gabe Lopez did an interview for 9 news.
   - Rocky Mountain PBS came and filmed for the Colorado Experience for the Deer Field Ledgers.
   - Channel 7 filmed at Meeker Home for the Annual Saving Places.
   - Staff came and cleaned up plum farm for the CSU chancellor and Vice Chancellor were invited by Weld County Extension to Plum Farm.

Staff Reports:

- 5 members of the UNC Libraries Gallery Committee visited GHM for an exhibits tour and discussion.
- Katie Ross attended her first Mountain Plains Museum Association meeting as an official elected board position.
- The research center has been busy with walk in appointments.
- The database has been approved by the City Council, and the City Attorney is looking at the contract and then in 8-12 weeks the database will replace Past Perfect. This will help the entire database be online.
- Katie has been getting everything ready for History Fest.
- The barn received a new roof. There were also new window frames put in the Firehouse.

4. Friends of the Greeley Museum Report:
    - The Vice President Resigned.
    - There are 2 new board members.
    - The Friends are working on potato day. Next meeting they will go over the jobs and positions that need to be filled for potato day.
5. Board Reports:

    Experience Team:

    - Discussion on new traveling exhibits that will be moving around.
    - Katie and Gus went to the National Council for Public Histories annual conference the last week in March.

    Acquisitions Committee:

    - Offered images of city council and pictures of Major city manager's office from the city clerk's office.
    - Staff kept cleaning to be in compliance with the new museum ordinance.
6. New Business:
    - Motion to accept the recommendation from the acquisitions committee the deaccession of the barrel rifle made by Gary Alexander and seconded by Emma Pena-McCleave.

- Motion passed unanimously.
- Staff asked the group if they should look at bringing the outreach committee back since we have been doing so much community outreach.
- The board decided to wait another month to decide on the community outreach committee.
- Flo brought to the group that they should invite the city council to the museum. Board decided to add it to the agenda next month for the Board chairmen to draft an invitation.
- Chris has put in a request for more staff this budget season. Specifically changing two part time positions to full time.
- George brought an idea to the board about doing an exhibit called “The good, the bad, and the best”.
- Staff brought to the board to change the committees to “task forces” to better fit the description of the groups.

7. The meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

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