

Minutes

Museum Advisory Board

June 26, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

1. The meeting was called to order by Marcus Embry at 4:00 p.m.

Board Present: Marcus Embry (Chair), George Junne, Emma Pena-McCleave, Nancy Masimer, Michael Weiland.

Board Absent: Omar Munoz, and Scott Chartier.

Staff Present: Betsy Kellums, Holly Berg, Geoff Havens, Katie Ross, Chris Bowls, Kristjana Eyjolfsson, Brecklyn Everhart.

2. Approval of the March 2025 minutes.

Motion to approve the March 2025 minutes made by Emma Pena-McCleave and seconded by George Junne.

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Reports:

- CPRD Report: Budget cuts due to decrease in sales revenue.
- Museums Report:
 - Flo Mikkelsen has sadly passed away. She was a dear friend to staff and a volunteer to the Greeley museums for decades. She will be missed.
 - Holly and Chris went to deerfield day on May 17th.
- Exhibits:
 - Preparation for the Mexican American History Project of Greeley has begun.
- Collections:
 - Katie and Laura completed the final checks of data for the go live date for the new Axiell collections database.
 - This is now the end of the collection's moratorium
 - Katie and Miranda prepared the food for History fest this year
- Education & Interpretation:
 - History Fest was very successful. We are not currently doing a fall history fest.

- Kristjana and Gus led a number of field trips to centennial village after history fest.
- Historic Sites:
 - The Forestry horticulture staff will now be based in Hall house.
 - There was a lot of work with colleagues in recreation, parks, and island grove towards the shared maintenance of the museums.

4. Friends of the Greeley Museums: No report was made.

5. Task Force Reports:

- Experience Team: Staff is working on the phase 2 of the Museum blog.
- Acquisitions Team: Soft re-opening of collections. Donation of the Kistler family Maytag model 80-90 washing machine.

6. New Business:

- Flo Mikkelson memorial: Museums was able to collect \$2,500 in donations from Flo's funeral. The proposal is to use that money to work with the Forestry department to plant a tree in her name and then add a memorial bench. This would happen somewhere on Centennial Village property.

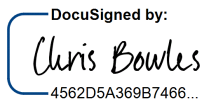
Motion to accept proposal for tree and bench made by Mike Weiland and seconded by Nancy Masimer.

Motion passed unanimously.

- Rattle Snake Kate event went very well. There was a concert for the anniversary of the snake event where Neyla Pekerat held a concert for her Western Woman album.
- Betsy Kellums gave a brief plug for the Endangered building nomination. She shared that you could submit nominations at coloradopreservation.org.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Next meeting will be held July 17th, 2025, at the Greeley History Museum.

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Marcus Embry

Chair, Museum Advisory Board