

Museum Advisory Board

April 17, 2026

4:00 p.m. at the Greeley History Museum

This meeting is held in person at the physical location

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Agenda:

Roll Call: Marcus Embry (Chair), George Junne, Emma Pena-McCleave, Nancy Masimer, Scott Chartier, Anne Masterson, Donna Hendren, Annareli Morales.

1. Approval of the March 2026 Museum Advisory Board minutes.
  2. Reports: (10 minutes)
    - CPRD Report
    - Museums Report
    - Additional Staff Report
      - o Exhibits
      - o Collections
      - o Historic Sites
      - o Education/Interpretation
  3. Friends of the Greeley Museums Report
  4. Task Force Reports (10 minutes):
    - Experience Team
    - Acquisitions Task Force
  5. Old Business (10 minutes):
    - Motion regarding proposed board consolidation
  6. New Business (10 minutes):
    - Possible Museum Service Reductions late 2026/2027
    - Weld County Commissioners Outreach
    - Artist in Residency, Summer 2026
    - Fort Lupton History Museum recap-Annareli
  7. Adjournment
- Next meeting May 21, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. at the Greeley History Museum

## Minutes

### Museum Advisory Board

March 19, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

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

Board Present: Marcus Embry, Nancy Masimer, Donna Hendren, Annareli Morales, Anne Masterson.

Board Absent: Scott Chartier, George Junne, Emma Pena-McCleave.

Staff Present: Kristjana Eyjolfsson, Geoff Havens, Katie Ross, Megan Weiler, Benjamin Alexander, JoAnna Stull, Chris Bowles, Brecklyn Everhart.

2. Approval of the February 2026 minutes.

Call to order time was mis-typed in minute draft and needed to be amended.

Motion to approve the amended minutes made by Donna Hendren and seconded by Nancy Masimer.

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Reports:

- CPRD Report
  - Board consolidation: Staff met with the City Attorney's office to go over the board consolidation topic. The UCCC board chair is reaching out to the museum board and the art commission relating this topic.
  - Budget Process has started we are budgeting at a reduction. CPRD has to reduce 17% which is roughly 4 million dollars.
  - CPRD is looking at some re-organization. There will be more on this later.
- Museums Report:
  - Volunteer appreciation dinner took place at the Armory on February 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - Museum to you program went well our interpreters saw over 12,000 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students.
  - The museum acquisitioned Benjamin Eaton's fireplace.
- Exhibits Report:
  - Britannia, Holly, and Chris worked to get the home news exhibit prepared. This exhibit is co-curated by Chris Bowles.
  - The moments that made us exhibit is in the atrium as you walk in. This exhibit will be kept up all year. There will be several elements rotating periodically.

- Collections Report:
  - Katie Ross is back to work, getting back up to speed with what took place while she was on leave.
  - Miranda Todd completed webinars on blood-borne pathogen training, managing moths and carpet beetles in museums collections to control the preservation environment.
- Education/Interpretation Report:
  - In February staff saw 1,084 students.
  - Staff is currently preparing for field trip season and history fest that will take place May 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Historic Sites Report:
  - Geoff worked on a number of projects to help the facilities team be able to see the calendar of events and to plan out the next phase of work at Centennial Village.
  - Plumb Farm floors are almost done and refinished from the leak that took place a while back.
- Friends of the Greeley Museums Report:
  - There are currently 4 friend members.
  - They are talking to someone to discuss moving the friends to a 501c3.
- Experience Team:
  - Discussed visitor engagement survey development
  - Reviewed exhibit and display updates
  - Continued strategic planning discussions
- Acquisitions Committee:
  - Accepted multiple donations including
    - Gilbert Family clothing donation
    - Welch family letters, photos, and memorabilia. (1915's-1960's)
    - Tappy family records (1910)
    - Greeley Kennel Club archival materials
    - Eaton Fireplace artifact

#### 4. Old Business:

- No old business was discussed

#### 5. New Business

- Update on Weld County Commissioner Visit:
  - 2 commissioners visited the Greeley History Museum

- Staff highlighted museum's role in preserving Weld County history, not just Greeley history.
- Discussion included opportunities for future collaboration with weld county and smaller communities.
- Presentation and Request for feedback-Draft Museums mission/vision
  - Staff presented 3 draft mission and vision statements
  - Board provided feedback including:
    - Preference for clearer, more concise language.
    - Concerns about wording such as “engaging” and “stewardship”
    - Recommendation to better reflect with museum's role in preserving and curating heritage.
  - Staff will revise drafts and return with updates at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned 4:54 p.m.

Next meeting will be held April 16 ,2026 at the Greeley History Museum.