

City of Ontario
Ontario Museum of History & Art
Board of Trustees
Virtual Meeting - Zoom
September 22, 2020, 6:00 PM


Minutes

1. Call Meeting to Order: President Chris Kueng called the meeting to order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call: Board members present were Chris Kueng, Randy del Turco, Rick Caughman, Ada Lopez and Jerry Weems. City Council Liaison Debra Dorst-Porada, Museum Director John Worden, Curator of Collections Michelle Sifuentes, Curator of Exhibition Leslie Matamoros, Curator of Education Anitra Bishop.

Additional: Community, Life & Culture Executive Director Helen McAlary
Absent: Museum Associate Liaison Leslie Sherwood-James

4. Approval of Minutes
 - Minutes of August 25, 2020 were approved on a motion by Randy del Turco and seconded by Ada Lopez.
5. Public Comment – None
6. City Council Liaison – Due to COVID the City will be in the hole for \$30 million for the next 5 years. Over 160 City employees will be leaving due to retirements or separation. The City will do the best that it can to fill whatever holes need to be filled. This was done to avoid layoffs.
7. Staff Report – Director’s Report –
 - J. Worden reported on how well the new Curator of Education is fitting in and doing well. The Museum is working on bringing aboard the new Assistant Curator and we look forward to working with them.
 - The Museum will feel the effects of the 160 City employees leaving as it pertains to outside department support, please be patient.
 - The Museum is still closed to the public, but we are hopeful the COVID numbers will go down soon and allow us to reopen.
 - Built on Water - Working with Picnic Designs to find a fabricator to work on the exhibition.
 - CIP – Everything is in the approval process, current schedule (subject to change) is for construction on offsite storage, ADA bathroom and Built on Water gallery to start mid-January and Carlson gallery construction will take place later in the year.

- The Curator of Exhibitions presented the new website. The Museum now has control over the website and will be adding new content.
 - Accreditation – Collection Management Policy is with legal. The goal is to present to Board for review and approval at the next Board Meeting.
8. Old Business – None
9. New Business: Introduction of New Board Member Jerry Weems.
New Board of Trustee, Jerry Weems, was introduced to the rest of the Board. J. Weems is a long-time resident of the community and has been involved with the Museum for many years as an exhibiting artist and Museum Associate.
10. Museum Associates/Liaison Comments – None.
11. Museum Board of Trustees Comments
Each Board member took time to introduce themselves to the new Board of Trustee member.
- Ada Lopez – Long time resident excited to see the growth of the City. Thrilled to be a part of the Board.
 - Randy del Turco – Been on the Board for 10 years. The Museum has progressed over time and is currently at its best.
 - Chris Kueng – Has served on the Board for over 21 years, very proud on how far the Museum has come.
 - Jerry Weems – Lived in Ontario for the past 21 years. Was very happy to see the City had a Museum. The Museum has given him a platform to show work and to work toward. Really thrilled to be a part of the Board and to give back.
 - Rick Caughman – Has been on and off the Board for the past few years. Thrilled to have J. Weems on the Board.
12. Future Agenda Items –
- Review of the Updated 2020 Board and Commission Handbook
 - Collection Management Policy Consideration of Adoption
13. Next Meeting:
- Regular Meeting: Tuesday, October 27, 2020
14. Motion to Adjourn by Ada Lopez, seconded by Randy del Turco, 6:49PM.

 10-27-2020

Signature