

City of Ontario
Ontario Museum of History & Art
Board of Trustees
Faye Dastrup Hamill Historic Council Chambers
March 27, 2018, 6 PM

Minutes

- I. Call Meeting to Order: President Chris Kueng called the meeting to order.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Roll Call: Board members present were Chris Kueng, Joe Caskey, Ada Lopez, and Erina Higa. Also in attendance were Community Services Director Mark Chase, Community Life and Culture Director Helen McAlary, Museum Director John Worden, Curator of Education Rebecca Horta, Museum Associates liaison Leslie Sherwood James.

Absent: Randy del Turco and City Council Liaison Debra Dorst-Porada.
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - Minutes of February 27, 2018 were approved on a motion by Joe Caskey and seconded by Erina Higa.
- V. Public Comment
None.
- VI. City Council Liaison
No comment.
- VII. Introduction
 - New Agency Director, Helen McAlary was introduced by Mark Chase and the new direction of Community Life and Culture was discussed. Helen introduced herself and the new agency's goal of creating creative opportunities for residents. President Chris Kueng presented a plaque on behalf of the Board of Trustees, honoring Mark Chase's exemplary service.
- VIII. Staff Report
 - Director's Report by John Worden began with a thank you to Mark for his support. The Museum's program, Highlights from the Collection, helps the Museum promote unseen collection and the last program was well received. Possible recording of programs was discussed.
 - The Great Adventure Spring Break program was a success and fulfilled a need of free programs during school break.
 - Girl/Boy scout badges were commissioned by the Museum Associates and are now available in the store.

- IX. Unfinished Business
- A. Form 700 Reminder
 - Forms go directly to City Hall
 - B. State of the City Confirmation
 - Badges were distributed as well as general business cards.
 - C. Whispering Lakes Follow-Up:
 - A storyboard/display was discussed and Joe Caskey is interested in assisting with this project after his Highlights from the Collection program (featuring Whispering Lakes) on June 24. Two displays were discussed – for the clubhouse at Whispering Lakes, and a portable display that could serve as a pilot project to take to neighborhood group meetings in south Ontario. The potential for portable displays that highlight the history of a particular area of the city will be explored, as a way to build connections with neighborhood groups.
- X. New Business: None
- XI. Arts and Culture Report:
- Chris Kueng commented that it was a very productive meeting that introduced the new agency and Helen's new role. The new vision and mission statement of the arts and culture group was unveiled. Chris suggested a photo to be taken of the Arts and Culture group.
 - Leslie Sherwood-James and Ada Lopez added that they were excited to learn see the public art map and website.
- XII. Museum Associates/Liaison Comments:
- Leslie Sherwood-James promoted the Invitational exhibit opening on May 17 and its reception.
- XIII. Museum Board of Trustees Comments:
- Chris Kueng is grateful for Helen's new role and welcomed her to an agency whose focus will be arts and culture. The Board members introduced themselves to Helen.
- XIV. Future Agenda Items:
Director's Report
State of the City Report
- XV. Next Meeting: April 24, 2018, 6 PM.
- XVI. Motion to Adjourn by Joe Caskey and seconded by Ada Lopez, 6:53 PM.



Signature