



**ROSWELL MUSEUM AND ART CENTER
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, March 18, 2019**

REGULAR MEETING AT 4:00 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cymantha Liakos called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 4:04 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees convened with members Cymantha Liakos, Donovan Fulkerson, Bill Siders, Peggy Krantz, Jamie Barnes, Lorrina Segovia, Kay Cargill Jenkins and Valli West being present. A quorum was established with members Jessica Parham, Priscilla Ornelas and Anne Baker being absent.

Staff present: Caroline Brooks, Executive Director; Wendy Cook, Communications and Events Coordinator; Cindy Torrez, Executive Director RMAC Foundation and Barry Foster, City Council Liaison.

Community members present: Jim Ball.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Segovia motioned to approve the agenda. Member Fulkerson seconded. A voice vote was unanimous, and the motion passed with members Ornelas, Parham and Baker being absent.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Krantz motioned to approve the minutes for the February 25, 2019, board meeting. Member Siders seconded. A voice vote was unanimous, and the motion passed with members Ornelas, Parham and Baker being absent.

E. NEW BOARD MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

New members Kay Cargill Jenkins and Valli West gave brief introductions.

F. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COLLECTIONS WORKING GROUP

Director Brooks discussed the desire of new Curator of Collections and Exhibitions, Aubrey Hobart, to create a Collections working group. The purpose of the group would be to preview potential acquisitions before bringing them to the board as well as focus on what types of works are appropriate for the RMAC mission. Member Siders moved to approve the creation of a collections working group. Member Barnes seconded. A voice vote was unanimous, and the motion passed with members Ornelas, Parham and Baker being absent. Members Liakos, West and Jenkins agreed to be a part of the working group.

G. MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE REPORT

Director Brooks shared the February membership and attendance report.

H. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Women's History Month Films Recap

The two films presented as part of Women's History Month in March, *Girl Rising* and *Soufra*, brought in 54 and 45 people respectively. Congratulations to Wendy Cook for her stellar efforts in organizing the inspirational events and thanks to the RMAC Foundation and Yasmine Armstrong for sponsorship support. Another film series will take place in the fall.

2. Storm Damage

Storm damage was minimal at the museum during the March 13th wind event. Preliminary assessment presented some torn banners, a damaged sign and a cracked window in the ceramics studio. The roof is also being inspected. The museum canceled planetarium shows on Tuesday night due to a potential storm and Wednesday due to the power outage. The museum was closed on Wednesday from 1:00pm-5:00 pm due to the power outage.

3. April Brown Bag Talk: Roswell Film Festival

April's talk will take place on April 5 and will be given by Donovan Fulkerson about the Roswell Film Festival, which honors international feature and short films of all genres during the April festival through screenings, panel discussions and special events.

4. Volunteers Needed

Plans are nearing completion for pARTy After Hours on April 12 and Family After Hours on May 9. Volunteers are still needed to assist at the events.

5. Relighting Completed

The Xcel Energy relighting project has been completed. An Advertorial for KOBR's Good Day New Mexico will be filmed on March 19 to promote the project.

6. Civic Rec

There has been a delay in the start of the new online registration system for classes and memberships due to a programming and ecommerce issue. The system should be ready by April 1.

7. Potential Lunar Landing Anniversary Celebration

Staff are looking to partner with the Roswell Astronomy Club to present a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Lunar Landing on Saturday, July 20th. Ideas include an outdoor film, hands-on activities and moon gazing.

8. Renovation Update

Director Brooks and two RMAC Foundation Representatives, Riley Armstrong and Cindy Torrez, met with the City Manager, the Facilities Manager and City Councilor Barry Foster at the end of February to discuss the potential renovation.

9. Logo Discussion

Director Brooks met with the City Manager and Director of Public Affairs regarding the City's rebranding and the direction for the museum's logo. They did not reach a conclusion and the discussion is ongoing.

O. RMAC FOUNDATION REPORT

Executive Director Torrez shared the success of the February 23rd Mystery at the Museum fundraiser. The event was sold out and was the highest grossing mystery event to date.

P. CHAIR'S REMARKS AND BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

Q. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Ball requested time to address the group in regards to the current museum renovation proposal. He expressed concern that the conceptual designs were too contemporary and provided images of a more Southwest aesthetic. Mr. Ball suggested the creation of a long-term master plan to create a Southwest look throughout the facility.

R. ADJOURN

Member Siders motioned to adjourn. Member Segovia seconded. A voice vote was unanimous, and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.