# Meeting Minutes BOARD OF MUSEUMS AND HISTORY December 1, 2016

Location
Nevada State Museum
309 S. Valley View Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89107

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Robert Stoldal, Chairman Bryan Allison Dr. Alicia Barber Renee Diamond Pete Dubé Dan Markoff Robert Ostrovsky Anthony Timmons

## **BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Dr. Sarah Cowie Dr. Doris Dwyer Seth Schorr

# DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES STAFF PRESENT

Claudia Vecchio, Dept. of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Director
Peter Barton, Division of Museums and History, Administrator
Carrie Edlefsen, Division of Museums and History, Administrative Services Officer
Lauri Brown, Division of Museums and History, Administrative Assistant
Sophia Long, Attorney General's Office, Deputy Attorney General
Catherine Magee, Nevada Historical Society, Museum Director
Rebecca Palmer, State Historic Preservation Office, Museum Director, via teleconference
Daniel Theilen, Nevada State Railroad Museum Carson City, Museum Director, via teleconference

#### **PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE**

Lois Tarkanian, Las Vegas City Council, Councilwoman

- 1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 11:35am and confirmed a quorum was present and the meeting was posted in accordance with NRS 241. (1,2)
- 2. The Chair stated that a letter from Janice Pine had been received. (3)
- 3. There was no public comment at this time. (4)
- 4. The Chair took Item 5, Acceptance of Minutes. Pete Dubé made a motion to approve the minutes of February 23, 2016 retreat meeting. Dr. Barber seconded. Approved without dissent. (5)
- 5. The Chair took Item 6, Calendar for Next Meeting. Pete Dubé made the motion for the next meeting to be March 10, 2017 in Carson City. Reno. Dr. Barber seconded. Approved without dissent. This portion was taken out of order. More discussion was held and the previous motion was amended by Member Dubé to be at the Nevada Historical Society in Reno to be on March 6, 2017. Dr. Barber seconded. Approved without dissent. (6a) Dan Markoff made the motion for the June 8 and 9, 2017 meeting to be held at the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Boulder City. Member Dubé

- seconded. More discussion was held and Robert Ostrovsky made a motion to amend the June meeting be June 15 and 16, 2017 at the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Boulder City. Dr. Barber seconded. Motion passed without dissent. (6b)
- 6. The Chair took Item 7, Nominations to the National and State Registers of Historic Places. Nothing to consider. (7a,b)
- 7. The Chair took Item 8, Agency Reports. Claudia Vecchio gave her report. (8a)
- 8. The Chair took Item 8b, SHPO. Rebecca Palmer gave her report on the NRHP status since 2005. (8b1)
- 9. The Chair took Item 8c, DMH. Peter Barton gave his reports on Legislative Audit 6 month report, IFC report from 8/23/16, Museum Attendance, Personnel Report, and Litigation Report. (8c1-5)
- 10. The Chair took Item 8d, Public Information Officer Report. Felicia Archer resigned so there was no report. (8d)
- 11. The Chair took Item 8e1, Nevada Historical Society (NHS). Dr. Catherine Magee was introduced and discussion was held regarding imposing a fee for use of the research library at NHS. (8e1)
- 12. The Chair took Item 8e2, Nevada State Museum, Carson City (NSMCC). Mr. Barton stated that Jim Barmore has retired and the success of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of NSMCC. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8e2)
- 13. The Chair took Item 8e3a, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City (NSRM-CC), Update on V&T Coach No. 17 stabilization. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8e3a)
- 14. The Chair took Item 8e3b, NSRM-CC Review and possible action to approve requested deaccession of 179 items that do not meet the museum's collection plan, many of the items have little if any historical significance and are unrelated to railroad history, tabled from the June 17 meeting. Daniel Markoff made a motion to approve deaccession of 179 items. Member Diamond seconded. Approved without dissent. (8e3b)
- 15. The Chair took Item 8e3c, NSRM-CC Category 48. Request to transfer funds of \$3,083.82 for additional parts and materials to repair the Edwards motor car. Daniel Markoff made the motion to approve. Member Ostrovsky seconded. Approved without dissent. (8e3c)
- 16. The Chair took Item 8e4, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Boulder City. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8e4)
- 17. The Chair took Item 8e5, East Ely Railroad Depot. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8e5)
- 18. The Chair took Item 8e6, Lost City Museum. Discussion was held. No action was taken.
- 19. The Chair took Item 8e7, Nevada State Museum, Las Vegas. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8e7)
- 20. This item was taken out of order. The Chair took item 9e1, Finance Presentation of Morgan Stanley investment reports for April-September 2016. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9e1)
- 21. The Chair took item 9e2, Finance Discussion and possible action to accept Independent Auditor report and financial statements for the Museum Dedicated Trust Fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016. Renee Diamond made the motion to approve. Member Markoff seconded. Member Dubé was out of the room. Approved without dissent. (9e2)
- 22. This item was taken out of order. The Chair took item 9c, Major Gifts. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9c)
- 23. This item was taken out of order. The Chair took item 9a, Collections. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9a)

- 24. This item was taken out of order. The Chair took item 9g1, Museum Store. Report on the progress on implementation of new Retail Pro point of sale system. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9g1)
- 25. The Chair took item 9h, Nevada State Prison. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9h)
- 26. The Chair took Item 10 (5), Investment Policy. This item was taken out of order. Anthony Timmons made a motion that the Investment Policy should remove the first sentence and remove "safe and" on the last sentence. Member Diamond seconded. Approved without dissent. Anthony Timmons made the motion to include a bullet point under the Long Term Performance Objectives that portfolio shall seek to reduce cost by using index funds where appropriate and also remove "Long Term" from Performance Objectives. Member Ostrovsky seconded. Approved without dissent. Anthony Timmons made the motion that under the Investment Guidelines under Allowable securities are: to add a bullet for Real Estate Funds and a bullet point for Index/Exchange Traded Funds. Member Ostrovsky seconded. Approved without dissent. Robert Ostrovsky made a motion to approve the Investment Policy with the changes made. Member Diamond seconded. Approved without dissent.
- 27. The Chair took Item 10 (6), Admission and Train Fees. Daniel Markoff made the motion to approve the Admission and Train Ride Fees policy with the removal of quotes around Free Admission Days. Member Timmons seconded. Approved without dissent.
- 28. The meeting concluded for the day at 4:50P.