

**Meeting Minutes**  
**BOARD OF MUSEUMS AND HISTORY**  
**March 12, 2018**

Location

Nevada Indian Commission Office  
Stewart Indian School  
5500 Snyder Avenue, Building #3  
Carson City, NV 89701

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Robert Stoldal, Chairman  
Bryan Allison  
Dr. Alicia Barber  
Renee Diamond  
Dr. Doris Dwyer  
Robert Ostrovsky  
Seth Schorr  
Anthony Timmons

**BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Dr. Sarah Cowie  
Daniel Markoff

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

David Peterson, Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Acting Director  
Brenda Nebesky, Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Acting Deputy Director  
Peter Barton, Division of Museums and History, Administrator  
Sherri Rupert, Nevada Indian Commission, Director  
Jim Bertolini, DCNR, State Historic Preservation Office, National and State Register Coordinator  
Travis Hammond, State Historic Preservation Office, Intern  
Guy Clifton, Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Public Information Officer  
Carrie Edlefsen, Division of Museums and History, Administrative Services Officer  
Deborah Rabe, Division of Museums and History, Administrative Assistant  
Sarah Bradley, Attorney General's Office, Deputy Attorney General  
Daniel Thielen, Nevada State Railroad Museum-Carson City, Director  
Myron Freedman, Nevada State Museum, Carson City, Director  
Dr. Catherine McGee, Nevada Historical Society, Director \*

**PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE**

Patti Graf, Stodieck, Louis, & Elmer, Ranch  
Bobbi Rahder, Stewart Indian School Museum, Director  
Marla McDade Williams, Strategies 360, Director  
Dominique Etchegoyhen, DCNR, Deputy Director  
Jack Jacobs, Lampe, Wilhelm, & William, Ranch  
Michon Eben, Reno Sparks Indian Colony,

\* via teleconference

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1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00am and confirmed a quorum was present and the meeting was posted in accordance with NRS 241. (1,2)

2. The Chair announced a special thank you to Sherry Rupert and staff for the use of the facility at the Nevada Indian Commission Office. (3)
3. No public comment. (4)
4. The Chair took Item 5a, Acceptance of the Minutes for November 30, 2017. Robert Ostrovsky made the motion to approve the amended minutes for November 30, 2017. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (5a)
5. The Chair took Item 5b, Acceptance of the Minutes for December 1, 2017. Robert Ostrovsky made the motion to approve the amended minutes for December 1, 2017. Member Diamond seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (5b)
6. The Chair took Item 6a, Calendar for Next Meeting. Seth Schorr made the motion that the June quarterly meeting be conducted June 14 and 15, 2018 at the Nevada State Museum, in Las Vegas. Member Diamond seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (6a)
7. The Chair took Item 6b, Calendar for Next Meeting. Dr. Doris Dwyer made the motion that the September quarterly meeting be conducted September 6, 2018 at the Nevada State Railroad Museum, in Ely. Member Barber seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (6b)
8. The Chair took Item 7, Election of Board Chair and Vice Chair. Renee Diamond made the motion to vote separately for the Board Chair and Vice Chair. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carried without dissent. Renee Diamond made the motion to nominate Robert Stoldal as Board Chair. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carries without dissent and the Chair abstained. Renee Diamond made the motion to nominate Robert Ostrovsky as Board Vice Chair. Member Schorr seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (7)
9. The Chair took Item 8a1, Nominations to the State Register of Historic Places. Lampe, Wilhelm & William, Ranch (Historic District), Gardnerville, Douglas County. Renee Diamond made the motion to accept the Lampe, Wilhelm & William, Ranch (Historic District), Gardnerville, Douglas County. Member Barber seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (8a1)
10. The Chair took Item 8a2, Nominations to the State Register of Historic Places. Stodieck, Louis & Elmer, Ranch, (Historic District), Minden, Douglas County. Dr. Alicia Barber made the motion to accept the Stodieck, Louis & Elmer, Ranch, (Historic District), Minden, Douglas County. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (8a2)
11. The Chair took Item 8b, National Register of Historic Places. There were no nominations at this time. (8b)
12. The Chair took Item 9a, Agency Reports, Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs. David Peterson, Interim Director, reported to the Board the status of the personnel at the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, as well as the highlights of the Governor's Global Tourism summit held December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, along with the Travel Industry Exchange in New Orleans and the Mark Travel Summit in Cancun. The Arts in the Hearts was held November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Las Vegas. Rural Roundup will be April 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>. (9a)
13. The Chair took Item 9b, State Historic Preservation Office. Rebecca Palmer was out of the country so Jim Bertolini covered for her in her absence. Continuing to gather input for Statewide Preservation Plan update 2020-2028 and the Preservation Survey in conjunction with the Statewide Preservation Plan update 2020-2028. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9b)
14. The Chair took Item 9c1-9, Division of Museums and History. Peter Barton reported on the Battle Born Hall, Cooperative initiatives: Meyer-Kassel, Commission for Women,

*USS Corina*, Implementing 79<sup>th</sup> session initiatives. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9c1-3)

The Chair took Item 9c4, 2018 museum expo in Las Vegas March 21, 2018. Anthony Timmons made the motion that the Board co-sponsor the 2018 museum expo in the amount of \$3000 for food/beverage. Member Allison seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9c4)

Dr. Alicia Barber reported on the NCPH conference. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9c5)

Peter Barton reported on the status of personnel, Board Orientation Manual updates, Division Policy & Procedure Log. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9c6-8)

The Chair took Item 9c9, 2018 Blue Star Museum Program participation. Robert Ostrovsky made a motion to participate in the 2018 Blue Star Program. Member Barber seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9c9)

15. The Chair took Item 9d, Public Information Officer . Guy Clifton. Mr. Clifton reported to the Board about newspapers and social media. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9d)

16. The Chair took Item 9e1a, Nevada Historical Society, Reno, report on the status and future of the NHSQ revenue and expenses. Catherin McGee reported on the NHSQ revenue and expenses. The winter/fall issue is set to be available March 2018. (9e1a)

17. The Chair took Item 9e1b, Nevada Historical Society, Reno, report on extending ~~free~~+ admission to senior citizens (60+) on Fridays during May 2018 as participation in Washoe County Senior Services recognition of ~~Older American Month~~+ Renee Diamond made the motion to approve the extension of ~~free~~+admission to senior citizens (60+) on Fridays during the month of May 2018. Member Ostrovsky seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9e1b)

18. The Chair took Item 9e2a, Nevada State Museum, Carson City. Myron Freedman requested for category 48 funding for shortfall for temporary Education personnel in SFY 2018 in the amount of \$2,591. Renee Diamond made the motion to accept the request for \$2951 for the shortfall in cost of temporary personnel. Member Schorr seconded. Renee Diamond amended her motion to be \$3041 instead of \$2591. Member Schorr seconded the amended motion. Motion carried without dissent. (9e2a)

19. The Chair took Item 9e2b, Nevada State Museum, Carson City. Request for consideration for two ~~free~~+admission days; one during Navy Week in June 2018 and one for ~~Lei Day~~+,April 28, 2018, the latter contingent on raising \$1500 to offset the lost admission revenue. Renee Diamond made a motion to accept the request for consideration for two ~~free~~+admission days; one during Navy Week in June 2018 and one for ~~Lei Day~~+,April 28, 2018, the latter contingent on raising \$1500 to offset the lost admission revenue. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carried with one opposed. (9e2b)

20. The Chair took Item 9e2c, Nevada State Museum, Carson City. Review and possible action to approve a contract for Independent Contractor Services with Central Sierra Construction for the repairs to the Pony Express Monument outside the historic Carson City Mint in the amount of \$2960 pending SHPO review and approval. Dr. Doris Dwyer made the motion to approve the contract between Nevada State Museum and Central Sierra Construction to repair the masonry on the Pony Express monument. Member Barber seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9e2c)

21. The Chair took Item 9e2d, Nevada State Museum, Carson City. Review and possible action to approve a contract for Independent Contractor Services with Thompson Garage Doors for the replacement of an overhead door at the History Department, Indian Hills Collections Center in the amount of \$6459.45. Robert Ostrovsky made a motion to approve a contract for Independent Contractor Services with Thompson Garage Doors

- for the replacement of an overhead door at the History Department, Indian Hills Collections Center in the amount of \$6459.45. Member Barber seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9e2d)
22. The Chair took Item 9e2e, Nevada State Museum, Carson City. Review and possible action to adopt revised Policy for the use of Coin Press No. 1 by Outside Organizations. Robert Ostrovsky made a motion to approve the Nevada State Museum us of Coin Press No. 1 for outside organizations that was included in the meeting packet. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9e2e)
  23. The Chair took Item 9e2f, Nevada State Museum, Carson City. Request to deaccession CM-3723-G-22, 33, 45, 56, 65, 66, 75, 91, a series of picture frames that were erroneously assigned accession numbers and which do not meet any criteria for inclusion in the collections of the Nevada State Museum. Dr. Alicia Barber made a motion to deaccession CM-3723-G-22, 33, 45, 56, 65, 66, 75, 91, a series of picture frames that were erroneously assigned accession numbers and which do not meet any criteria for inclusion in the collections of the Nevada State Museum. Member Diamond seconded. Motion carried without dissent. Robert Ostrovsky made a motion to deaccession 109 and 110. Member Diamond seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9e2f)
  24. The Chair took Item 9e3a, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City. Request for consideration to waive admission fee for active duty and veteran military for Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 19, 2018. Robert Ostrovsky made a motion to approve the request for consideration to waive admission fee for active duty and veteran military for Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 19, 2018. Member Allison seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9e3a)
  25. The Chair took Item 9e3b, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City. Request to deaccession RM-3802, four Lionel large-scale %North Pole Railroad+ sets donated in 1990. These do not conform to the museum collection criteria and will be used as expendable props during appropriate periods. Renee Diamond made a motion to approve the Request to deaccession RM-3802, four Lionel large-scale %North Pole Railroad+ sets donated in 1990. Member Barber seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9e3b)
  26. The Chair took Item 9e4a, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Boulder City. Update on project 17-A009, master plan and design effort for new and expanded facilities and visitor experience. Design effort was halted following submittal of the schematic design package in December 2017; pausing to initiate efforts to secure partial private financing for capital improvements. Also, report on upcoming planned special event to mark the reconnection of the rail line to Henderson and Las Vegas. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9e4a)
  27. The Chair took Item 9e5, East Ely Railroad Depot Museum. Mr. Barton stated there nothing new to report to reestablish partnership for sale of site tickets and other matters of mutual benefit. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9e5)
  28. The Chair took Item 9e6, Lost City Museum, Overton. Nothing new to report. No action was taken. (9e6)
  29. The Chair took Item 9e7a, Nevada State Museum, Las Vegas. Friends of the Nevada State Museum 2017 Impact Report. Mr. Barton reported the American Alliance of Museums has reaccredited the museum. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9e7a)
  30. The Chair took Item 10a, Collections Committee. No update. No action was taken. (10a)
  31. The Chair took Item 10b, Strategic Planning. No update. No action was taken. (10b)

32. The Chair took Item 10c, Major Gifts. Robert Ostrovsky reported to the Board about fund raising for the Boulder City project, a meeting to be held April 2, 2018. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (10c)
33. The Chair took Item 10d, Facility Use. No update. No action was taken. (10d)
34. The Chair took Item 10e1, Finance Committee Report. Robert Ostrovsky reported to the Board regarding the Morgan Stanley investments for October-December 2017 and review of quarterly performance. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (10e1)
35. The Chair took Item 10e2, Finance Committee Report. Robert Ostrovsky stated that Morgan Stanley Investments were adjusted as requested. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (10e2)
36. The Chair took Item 10e3, Finance Committee Report. Member Ostrovsky made the motion to set the Finance Committee Meeting for May 14, 2018 beginning at noon at the Division Office in Carson City. Member Timmons seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (10e3)
37. The Chair took Item 10f, Membership. A Chair for the Membership Committee will need to be set at the next meeting in June 2018.
38. The Chair took Item 10g, Museum Store. Chairman Stoldal nominated Seth Schorr for the Chair of the Museum Store Committee. Member Ostrovsky seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (10g)
39. The Chair took Item 10h, Nevada State Prison. No update. No action was taken. (10h)
40. The Chair took Item 10i, Nevada Historical Society Relocation. Peter Barton updated the Board on recent conversations regarding the relocation of the Nevada Historical Society. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (10i)
41. The Chair took Item 10j1, Technology Report. Member Schorr reported on the NSM-LV as a test for public wi-fi, sponsored by the Friends of the NSM-LV. Seeks \$1500 in Board support to help offset equipment installation. FNSM-LV agrees to pay monthly charges. Robert Ostrovsky made a motion to approve the requested \$1500 to offset cost of equipment installation. Member Allison seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (10j)
42. The Chair took Item 10k, East Ely Depot Museum. No meetings have been held. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (10k)
43. The Chair took Item 10l, Marketing. Dr. Doris Dwyer made the motion to nominated Anthony Timmons as Chair of the Marketing Committee. Member Diamond seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (10l)
44. The Chair took Item 10m, Review and possible action to create a new committee for the Nevada Historical Society *Quarterly*. Chairman Stoldal nominated Dr. Alicia Barber chair of the Nevada Historical Society *Quarterly* Committee. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (10m)
45. The Chair took Item 11a, Private Budget Adjustments. No changes made by Division Administrator. (11a)
46. The Chair took Item 11b1, Private Budget Adjustments, Changes requested from the Board over \$5,000. Request to increase revenue authority in Budget Account 5039, NSM-LV, RGL 4025 by an added \$20,000 to reflect improving store sales. Request offsetting expenditure authority changes it increase Category 49, Museum store by and additional \$10,000 and Category 48 by \$10,000 to allow for added inventory purchases to support further store sales. Anthony Timmons made the motion to approve the request to increase revenue authority in Budget Account 5039, NSM-LV, RGL 4025 by an added \$20,000 to reflect improving store sales. Request offsetting expenditure authority changes it increase Category 49, Museum store by and additional \$10,000 and Category 48 by \$10,000 to allow for added inventory purchases to support further store sales. Member Diamond seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (11b1)

47. The Chair took Item 12; 1-7, Consent Agenda. Anthony Timmons made the motion to accept items listed on the Consent Agenda. Member Diamond seconded. Motion carried without dissent. Chairman Stoldal recused himself from Item 5 of the Consent Agenda. (12; 1-7)
48. The Chair took Item 13, Board Member Comment on Non-agendized Items. Anthony Timmons wanted to recognize the passing of the Red Rock ALM archaeologist who passed away recently. Robert Ostrovsky wanted to thank the Indian Commission for their invitation to hold the board meeting at their facility. (13)
49. The Chair took Item 14, Future Museum Board Agenda Items. Chairman Stoldal requested that the Nevada Historical Society *Quarterly* Committee have an update for the June meeting and a final report for the September meeting. Sherri Rupert requested possible consideration for future board agenda item regarding an update on the Stewart Indian School Cultural Center. (14)
50. The Chair took Item 15, Public Comment and Discussion. There was no public in person or on the phone. No public comment. (15)
51. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:27pm.