MINUTES
MUSEUM OF THE GREAT PLAINS AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2017
5:30 P.M.

Janice Bell, Chairperson, called the **Regular Meeting** of the Museum of the Great Plains Authority (MGPA) to order at 5:30 p.m. February 15, 2017, in the Museum of the Great Plains Louise D. McMahon Hall. Notice of the meeting and the Agenda were posted at City Hall and the entrance to the Museum of the Great Plains, as required by Law.

1. Roll Call.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson Janice Bell. **PRESENT:** Janice Bell, Edwin Chappabitty, Jesse Cross, Paul Fisher, Lance Janda, Carolyn Anne Love, Tresea Moses, Doug Wells, Marcus Wilcoxson, and Brady Wyatt. **ABSENT:** Robert Morford, Diane Mullins (Excused), Minnette Page (Excused), and Edna Solitario (Excused). **ALSO PRESENT:** John Hernandez, Bart McClenny, Mary Owensby, Deb Baroff, and Jim Whitely (all MGPA Staff).

2. Consent Agenda.

The Consent Agenda included the Regular Meeting Minutes for the October 19, 2016, the November 16, 2016, and the January 18, 2017, Meetings; and the December, 2016, Financial Statements. **MOTION** by Wells to accept and approve the Minutes of the October, 2016, the November, 2016, and the January, 2017 Meetings, and the December, 2016 Financials. **SECONDED** by Moses. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Bell, Chappabitty, Cross, Fisher, Janda, Love, Moses, Wells, Wilcoxson, and Wyatt. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (10-0).**

3. Old Business-Discuss and Take Appropriate Action.

a. Blackbaud's Altru Subscription and Conversion.

This software was purchased last month; staff is currently receiving training.

b. Priority List of Museum Projects.

John Hernandez distributed a list of current Museum priority projects for review.

4. New Business-Discuss and Take Appropriate Action.

a. Nominations to Replace Kara Hillman.

The Board will select a replacement for Kara Hillman at the Board Meeting in March.

b. Preliminary FY 17-18 Museum Budget.

Bart McClenny and John Hernandez presented next year's Budget for the Museum Trust. **MOTION** by Wells to approve the Budget as presented. **SECONDED** by Cross. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Bell, Chappabitty, Cross, Fisher, Janda, Love, Moses, Wells, Wilcoxson, and Wyatt. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (10-0).**

c. Exhibit Case for Rose Rock (Lobby).

John Hernandez discussed construction of a new exhibit case for the large Rose Rock on display in the lobby. The estimated cost will not exceed $10,000. **MOTION** by Wells to approve the case construction. **SECONDED** by Love. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Bell, Chappabitty, Cross, Fisher, Janda, Love, Moses, Wells, Wilcoxson, and Wyatt. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (10-0).**

5. Museum Director's Report.

John Hernandez discussed the LDM Hall renovation project, several minor roof leaks, the new insect exhibit, and the pending OMA Meeting at the Museum.

6. Institute President's Report.

Preparation of the new issue of the Journal nears completion. The Institute Office is being re-designed to become more of an office; storage is being moved into the larger area.

7. Comments/Audience Participation. (None.)

8. Adjournment.

Janice Bell declared the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Fisher, Secretary