

MINUTES
MUSEUM OF THE GREAT PLAINS AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2018
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. April 18, 2018, 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, Jesse Cross, Paul Fisher, Carolyn Anne Love, Tresea Moses, Minnette Page, Jill Ryans, Edna Solitario, Marcus Wilcoxson, Brady Wyatt, and Clay Zelbst. **ABSENT:** Edwin Chappabitty, Robert Morford, and Diane Mullins (Excused). **ALSO PRESENT:** Bart McClenny, Mary Owensby, Debbie Baroff and Jim Whiteley (all MGPA Staff).

2. Consent Agenda.

The Consent Agenda included the Regular Meeting Minutes for the February 28, 2018, Special Meeting; and the Financials for February and March, 2018. **MOTION** by Wilcoxson to accept and approve the Consent Agenda items. **SECONDED** by Page. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Bell, Cross, Fisher, Love, Moses, Page, Ryans, Solitario, Wilcoxson, Wyatt, and Zelbst. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (11-0).**

3. Old Business- Discuss and Take Appropriate Action

a. Jeri Holmes (Non-Profit Solutions) Legal Opinion.

Clay Zelbst discussed the letter from Jeri Holmes regarding the Trust status and the pool bidding, based on questions from the Museum Trust Auditor. Her opinion was that the Trust could function legally as both a Public Trust and a Non-Profit organization. She also noted that the Trust was required to bid projects in accordance with State Law. Fisher suggested that State Law guidelines for bidding on projects under \$50,000 be incorporated in preparing Trust Bidding policies.

b. Nomination for At-Large Vacancy on MGPA Board.

Bell discussed the current vacancy on the Museum Trust Board, proposing the nomination of Blaine Adair for the slot. **MOTION** by Wyatt to nominate Blaine Adair to fill the position. **SECONDED** by Zelbst. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Bell, Cross, Fisher, Love, Moses, Page, Ryans, Solitario, Wilcoxson, Wyatt, and Zelbst. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (11-0).**

4. Reports.

a. Collections Committee (April 13, 2018).

Debbie Baroff presented the report from the April 13, 2018, meeting of the Collections Committee, noting those items to be accessioned and discussing several notable loans. **MOTION** by Fisher to accept and approve the Report. **SECONDED** by Cross. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Bell, Cross, Fisher, Love, Moses, Page, Ryans, Solitario, Wilcoxson, Wyatt, and Zelbst. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (11-0).**

b. Exhibits, Workshops, Special Events Schedule.

Bart McClenny presented the latest MGPA schedule for events, workshops, etc., at the Museum. Janice Bell discussed letters of support for, and signatures of, those interested in the creation of a Cultural Association to support funding for organizations of community significance, like the Museum.

c. Finance.

Bart also reviewed the current status of City budget support for the Museum.

d. LDM Hall Use.

The upcoming schedule for the use of LDM Hall was reviewed by Bart.

e. Memberships.

Bart noted that the Museum currently had 876 memberships.

f. Marketing.

Jill Ryans discussed preliminary thinking on MGPA Marketing. Bart went over current MGPA marketing efforts.

5. Executive Director's Report.

Bart McClenny discussed Museum activities.

6. Institute President's Report.

The Institute President provided a brief review of the Institute's contract with Indian City (KCA) to reclaim artifacts prior to the demolition of the Indian City complex, and the contract with the Kiowa Tribe for artifact curation.

7. Comments/Audience Participation.

None.

8. Adjournment.

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

Respectfully submitted,

**Paul Fisher, Secretary
Museum of the Great Plains Authority (MGPA) Board of Trustees**