

**MUSEUM OF THE GREAT PLAINS AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2020
5:30 P.M.**

Jill Ryans, Chair, called the Regular Meeting of the Museum of the Great Plains Authority (MGPA) to order at 5:35 p.m. July 15, 2020, at the Museum of the Great Plains' Louis 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. Welcome: Kassidy Legako, Carey Monroe, Cornel Pewewardy, and Yuri Schendel.

2. Roll Call

Present: Jill Ryans, Clay Zelbst, Juanita Pahdopony, Robert Morford, Minnette Page, Blaine Adair, Carey Monroe, Cornel Pewewardy, and Yuri Schendel. **ABSENT:** Sharon Cheatwood, Joanne Gaasbeck, Mary Ann Hankins, Kassidy Legako, Tresea Moses, and Marcus Wilcoxson. **ALSO PRESENT:** Bart McClenny, Mary Owensby, Deb Baroff, Trevor Williams, and Jim Whiteley (MGPA staff), Thomas Noel (IGP President), Janice Bell (Friends of the Museum of the Great Plains trustees), and Sean Garibay (Arvest Bank).

3. Investment Report

Sean Garibay, Arvest Wealth Management Advisor presented the fourth quarter report from January 1st through July 14, 2020, with comparisons of two past portfolio examples and noted he would be available to answer any board questions.

4. Consent Agenda – *the following items are considered routine by the board and will be enacted with one motion. Should discussion be desired on an item, that item can be removed from the consent agenda prior to action and considered separately.*

- a. June 17 Minutes: **MOTION** by Morford to approve the Consent Agenda items. **SECONDED** by Zelbst. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION:** **AYE:** Ryans, Zelbst, Pahdopony, Morford, Page, Adair, Monroe, Pewewardy, and Schendel. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (9-0).**

5. New Business

- a. Oklahoma Business Relief Program Application: McClenny reported status.
- b. FY2021 MGPA trustees: Contact/ Appointee List distributed for FY2020-2021.
- c. FY2021 committees to be submitted to Mayor for approval.
- d. FY2021 holidays: An informational board list was distributed to board of (federally recognized, except italicized) items. Pewewardy noted Columbus Day had been changed by the Lawton City Council to Indigenous People Day. Board discussion. **MOTION** by Morford to accept list. **MOTION** by Zelbst to table and

SECONDED by Page. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Ryans, Zelbst, Pahdopony, Morford, Page, Adair, Monroe, Pewewardy, and Schendel. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (9-0).**

- e. Deputy Director: McClenny, promoted to Director by board, currently oversees the duties of Deputy Director, until the position is filled, with oversight of another “employee from the Great Plains Authority will provide third-party review.”

6. Old Business

- a. FY2021 Budget: Budget projections based on the impact of Covid-19 closure and update were shared with board. **MOTION** by Page to accept. **SECONDED** by Zelbst. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Ryans, Zelbst, Pahdopony, Morford, Page, Adair, Monroe, Pewewardy, and Schendel. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (9-0).**
- b. Roof leaks: Information was shared. No motion.
- c. Friends group status: The Institute of the Great Plains is dissolved. An addition of two more names added: Maria Meredith and Terri Reeder. Fundraising and marketing background were noted as important assets.

7. Institute of the Great Plains (President’s Comments)

Noel gave a report of ongoing dig sites and the need for volunteers for the Grandfield Mammoth site.

8. Upcoming meetings

Next date scheduled for August 19, 2020, Museum of the Great Plains Authority.

- 9. **Comments, audience participation:** Page commented she knew of boxing champion. Pewewardy noted it was his father Samuel “Doc” Pewewardy, who earned the name at Ft. Sill Indian school when he tended to sick animals. Pewewardy requested consideration of a “Land Acknowledgement” statement and offered to share information with Director.

- 10. Adjourn – 6:52 p.m.

Juanita Pahdopony, Secretary
Museum of the Great Plains Authority (MGPA) Board of Trustees