

MINUTES
MUSEUM OF THE GREAT PLAINS AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 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. August 16, 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, Carolyn Anne Love, Robert Morford, Tresea Moses, Diane Mullins, Minnette Page, Edna Solitario, Doug Wells, Marcus Wilcoxson, and Brady Wyatt. **ABSENT:** Chad Carden. **ALSO PRESENT:** John Hernandez, Bart McClenney, Mary Owensby, Jim Whiteley and Deb Baroff (all MGPA Staff).

2. Arvest Wealth Management Report.

Joshua Coody, Client Advisor for Arvest Wealth Management, present a financial overview of the Museum Trust's investment assets. He noted that the assets were earning well, and suggested that the Board possibly consider making an adjustment in October to re-align one element of the overall investment strategy.

3. Consent Agenda.

The Consent Agenda included the Regular Meeting Minutes for the July 19, 2017, Meeting. **MOTION** by Wells to accept and approve the Consent Agenda items. **SECONDED** by Morford. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Bell, Chappabitty, Cross, Fisher, Love, Morford, Moses, Mullins, Page, Solitario, Wells, Wilcoxson, and Wyatt. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (13-0).**

4. New Business- Discuss and Take Appropriate Action

a. Tables and Chairs for LDM Hall

Bart distributed a breakdown of proposed purchase of new tables and chairs for the **LDM** Hall renovation, and requested Board consideration for ordering the items. The estimated cost is just under \$29,000 and funds are currently available. **MOTION** by Wells to purchase all tables and chairs. **SECONDED** by Page. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Bell, Chappabitty, Cross, Fisher, Love, Morford, Moses, Mullins, Page, Solitario, Wells, Wilcoxson, and Wyatt. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (13-0).**

5. Old Business-Discuss and Take Appropriate Action.

a. Status of LDM Hall Renovation and Landscaping

John Hernandez noted that the Contractor was about 95% completed. Landscaping bids are being requested. A sit-down reception for the McMahon Foundation is being planned.

b. MGPA Board Vacancy

There is a vacancy on the Board. Janice Bell suggested that we consider adding one of the newer Attorneys in Town to the Museum Board.

6. Museum Director's Report.

John Hernandez discussed the Reception for the McMahon Foundation after the LDM renovation is complete. The Museum has acquired 100 sets of sunglasses for distribution and use in viewing the coming eclipse.

7. Institute President's Report.

The new issue of the Journal is wrapping up. Office re-modeling continues.

8. Comments/Audience Participation.

John Hernandez noted the OMA Conference sessions at the Museum on September 21st. There will not be a Trust meeting in September. (Following adjournment, the Board toured the LDM Hall renovation.)

9. 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**