

MINUTES
MUSEUM OF THE GREAT PLAINS AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 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. June 20, 2018, in the Museum of the Great Plains Louise D. McMahon (LDM) 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 5:32 p.m. by Chairperson Janice Bell. **PRESENT:** Blaine Adair, Janice Bell, Edwin Chappabitty (5:40), Jesse Cross, Carolyn Anne Love, Robert Morford (5:55), Diane Mullins, Jill Ryans, Edna Solitario, Marcus Wilcoxson, Brady Wyatt, and Clay Zelbst. **ABSENT:** Paul Fisher, Tresea Moses and Minnette Page. **ALSO PRESENT:** John Hernandez, Bart McClenny, Mary Owensby, Debbie Baroff and Jim Whiteley (all MGPA Staff).

2. Consent Agenda.

The Consent Agenda included the May 2018 financial report (May Minutes were not available). **MOTION** by Mullins to accept and approve the Consent Agenda item. **SECONDED** by Ryans. **ROLL CALL ON MOTION: AYE:** Adair, Bell, Cross, Love, Mullins, Ryans, Solitario, Wilcoxson, Wyatt, and Zelbst. **NAY:** None. **ABSTAIN:** None. **MOTION CARRIED (10-0).**

3. Reports.

- a. Exhibits, Workshops, Special Events
 - 1. Schedule (distribute)
- b. Finance
 - 1. FY2019 (July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019) budget
- c. LDM
 - 1. Schedule (distribute)
- d. Memberships
 - 1. Summary (distribute)

McClenny distributed the monthly reports for review and asked if there were questions. There was no discussion.

4. Executive Director's Report.

Hernandez reported the popular Dinosaur exhibit will be returning to our Network area in September. Currently, Kid Inventor is here and has been very successful.

The 2018 Chautauqua workshops are being held this week in the LDM Hall. Two sessions, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., will be here through Saturday.

Hernandez spoke of plans for a "TinkerFest" which will be a free public event in Fall 2019. It will be a Saturday hands-on event with possibly 30 different stations, indoor and outdoor. A committee needs to be formed and sponsors will need to be contacted. Sponsors will be asked for monetary donations, supplies, and possibly on-site participation/booth at the event. Recognition of donors will be printed on t-shirts (for the volunteers/staff), mentioned in advertisements, etc.

5. Comments/Audience Participation.

Bell stated she's pleased the new owners of the Lawton Constitution support the museum.

Zelbst suggested a wine and cheese night or some special fundraiser event. Other fundraising events were also discussed.

Adair stated he has a friend in the wind power business and asked about the museum's exhibit in the gallery.

6. Adjournment.

Janice Bell declared the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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