

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Carlsbad Museum Advisory Board
Held in the Carlsbad Museum & Art Center
On January 15, 2020 at 1:30 PM**

Voting Members Present:

David Prell	Museum Board President
Khushroo Ghadiali	Museum Board Vice President
Allison Hervol	Member
Margaret McClure	Member
Larry Pardue	Member
Desiree Kicker	Member
Tom Bemis	Member
Mannie Bemis	Member

Voting Members Absent:

Mike Medrano	Member
KC Sparks	Member
Steve West	Member

Ex-Officio Members Present:**Ex-Officio Members Absent:**

Dale Janway	Mayor
Mike Hernandez	City Administrator

Others Present:

Dave Morgan	Museum Director
Edward VanScotter	Museum Assistant Director

1. ROLL CALL OF VOTING MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Roll call was taken by Edward VanScotter. It was determined that a quorum was present.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA OF JANUARY 15, 2020

The motion was made by Khushroo Ghadiali and seconded by Allison Hervol to approve the agenda of the January 15, 2020 meeting.

The vote was as follows:

Yes –David Prell, Khushroo Ghadiali, Allison Hervol, Margaret McClure, Larry Pardue, Desiree Kicker, Tom Bemis, Mannie Bemis

No – None

Absent – Steve West, Mike Medrano, KC Sparks

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 18, 2019 REGULAR MEETING

The motion was made by Larry Pardue and seconded by Desiree Kicker to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2019 meeting.

The vote was as follows:

Yes –David Prell, Khushroo Ghadiali, Allison Hervol, Margaret McClure, Larry Pardue, Desiree Kicker, Tom Bemis, Mannie Bemis

No – None

Absent – Steve West, Mike Medrano, KC Sparks

4. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

- Quarterly reports from the foundation funds were included in the board meeting packets. There hasn't been a lot of activity in these accounts over the past quarter.
- Dave Morgan asked the board about their opinion on using some of the McAdoo account funds to acquire art. Larry Pardue asked what kind of art would be bought with it. Dave Morgan replied that it would be New Mexican art. Khushroo asked what the guidelines were that the museum used to acquire art. Dave replied that any acquisitions would follow the mission statement and target the needs of the museum, he also noted that the museum would have to be somewhat opportunistic when acquiring art. Dave mentioned that the museum is lacking in contemporary New Mexican art, this can be addressed through art acquisitions. Larry asked if the museum was still considering purchasing the McAdoo pieces that are on loan. Dave Morgan replied that using the McAdoo funds for those acquisitions is also a possibility. The board was in general agreement that this would be a good use of these funds. David Prell stated that it would be good use of museum funds to buy the McAdoo paintings that are on loan, but that the museum shouldn't be limited to the McAdoo paintings if there is an opportunity to buy other art at a good price using the funds.
- The gift shop had another good month, with Frida exhibit related items selling well.
- The museum has about \$28,000 left in its budget for the remainder of the fiscal year. The museum is preparing to request more funds from the lodgers tax board for promotions and exhibit expenses. A considerable amount from the museum operating budget was spent to bring the facility up to OSHA standards.
- The summer 2020 guitar exhibit was brought up. The board was in general agreement that the exhibit will be a big draw. Desiree Kicker asked what kind of entertainment will be at the opening. Dave Morgan is working on bringing in a classical guitar duo that has played at the museum before.

The Motion was made by Tom Bemis and seconded by Khushroo Ghadiali to approve the financial report.

The vote was as follows:

Yes –David Prell, Khushroo Ghadiali, Allison Hervol, Margaret McClure, Larry Pardue, Desiree Kicker, Tom Bemis, Mannie Bemis

No – None

Absent – Steve West, Mike Medrano, KC Sparks

5. APPROVAL OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- The board was reminded that starting this month, museum board meetings will be scheduled for every other month instead of monthly.
- PBS interviewed Dave Morgan for a story on the Frida exhibit. This segment aired in December.
- Dave Morgan said Cassandra Arnold at the library is working on acquiring more exterior lighting for the building. David Prell responded that this is a good idea as there has been an increase in burglaries in the city.
- The Historical Society held their monthly meeting in the Hall of Fame on January 6th. Author Donna Birchell talked about her newest book "Frontier Forts and Outposts of New Mexico". Donna signed copies of this book that are for sale in the museum gift shop.
- Jeff Diamond is in talks with the historical society about potentially renting out a building he owns across from city hall to be used for the Jed Howard archives.
- January 25th is the last day for the Frida exhibit. Work on the HVAC project will begin shortly after.
- The Van Soelen prints that were previously on display in city hall were brought back to the museum. They were also cleaned and re-matted at Kristina's Custom Framing.

The motion was made by Larry Pardue and seconded by Margaret McClure to approve the Director's Report.

The vote was as follows:

Yes –David Prell, Khushroo Ghadiali, Allison Hervol, Margaret McClure, Larry Pardue, Desiree Kicker, Tom Bemis, Mannie Bemis

No – None

Absent – Steve West, Mike Medrano, KC Sparks

6. DISCUSS CURRENT AND FUTURE EXHIBITIONS AND ACTIVITIES

- There will be no exhibits in the temporary gallery in February due to HVAC work
- The annual CAAA exhibit will be open in the temporary gallery on March 3.
- The annual CMS exhibits will follow in April and into May
- The museum will work with Guadalupe Mountain National Park on a small exhibit to display artwork that Guadalupe has collected from their artist-in-residency program. This exhibit will probably be installed in the Mead Gallery this spring.

- The museum will host the exhibit "From Medieval to Metal: The Art and Evolution of the Guitar", offered by the National Guitar Museum. This exhibit will be at the museum from May 21st until September 5th.
- Larry Pardue asked if the exhibit will have guitars that visitors could play. Dave Morgan replied that the exhibit does not provide guitars for that purpose, but the museum is looking to acquire some guitars for the public to use. David Prell offered to lend the museum a guitar. Dave Morgan replied that the guitars used by the public will probably get beat up, so that the museum would rather purchase the guitars than borrow them.

7. ADJOURN

The motion was made by Tom Bemis and seconded by Desiree Kicker to adjourn at 2:30.

The vote was as follows:

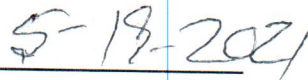
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No – None

Absent –Steve West, Mike Medrano, KC Sparks



David Prell, President



Date