



Minutes
Siouxland Heritage Museums
Board Meeting
Thursday, July 9, 2015
Law Library, Old Courthouse Museum

Present: Museum Board; Virgil Andersen, Marty DeWitt, Ron Helwig, Mike MacDonald, Dianne Metli, Michael Mullin, Roger Terveen,

Museum Staff; Bill Hoskins, Museum Director

Public: None

Board Members Absent: Michelle Erpenbach, Arthur Kriens, Jeff Barth, Bob Kolbe

Virgil Andersen called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.

Ron moved to adopt the Minutes of the June Museum Board Meeting as published. The motion was seconded by Roger. Motion passed and the minutes were adopted.

Bill Hoskins passed around several notes from a patrons regarding staff and programs.

Dianne Metli delivered the Report of the Siouxland Heritage Museums Alliance. She reported on the Upcoming Alliance Fund raisers, the Pork Raffle and the Historic Homes Tour on July 23.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director reviewed the budgets for the Siouxland Heritage Museums for April, 2015. Bill responded to several questions regarding the Maintenance Budgets for the Old Courthouse and Pettigrew Museums, the status of some of the projects and their impact on budget. Mike MacDonald moved to accept the Financial Report as published. Ron Helwig seconded the motion. The motion passed on vote.

Bill Hoskins, Museum Director delivered the Director's Report for June, 2015. Bill highlighted some of the activities of the past month:

Siouxland Heritage museums overall attendance is up 6.67% for 2015 at the end of the 2nd Quarter.

Museum staff presented 41 programs on and off site to 1,633 people and 197 tours of the Pettigrew Home. Outreach Programs are up 22.7% for 2015.

51 Museum Volunteers donated 362 hours in June.



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Museum Interns, Carolyn Johnson and Brianna Williamson worked in Exhibits, Education and Collections in June.

Automatic Security replaced a smoke detector at the Pettigrew in June.

Bill Hoskins replaced a security Camera on second floor at the Old Courthouse Museum in June.

Walden Carpets replaced the vinyl flooring in the breakroom in June.

Adam Nelson, Marketing Coordinator, was elected to the Board of the Southeast South Dakota Tourism. He will attend his first meeting on July 15 in Madison.

Staff continues to meet with the Board of Stockyards Plaza Incorporated and work in the development of designs for their exhibits.

Nelson Commercial was hired as the real Estate Broker for the Hall Land in June.

Bill Hoskins reviewed the status of the Museum Budget Requests for 2016. The County has one more budget hearing scheduled for July 21 before the adoption of the Provisional Budget on July 28. The Mayor's budget Address is July 23 at 1:00 PM. The Joint Budget Hearing for the Museum's 2016 Budget will be August 25 at 5:00 PM. There was some discussion by the Board of the Long Term impact of the County's Budget decisions in regards to the Museum and it's operation.

Bill discussed the possibility of having a Visitor Experience Committee Meeting in July before the next meeting of the Museum Board. The last week of July appears to be the best for everyone. Bill will e-mail out some specific time and day options.

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:25 PM.

Museum Mission: *"The Siouxland Heritage Museums is dedicated to enhancing the experience of learning for our community, its families and visitors through collections, preservation and interpretation of history"*