Meeting Minutes
BOARD OF MUSEUMS AND HISTORY
June 17, 2016

Location
Nevada State Legislature
Room 1214
401 S. Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
Robert Stoldal, Chairman
Bryan Allison
Dr. Alicia Barber
Dr. Sarah Cowie
Dan Markoff
Anthony Timmons

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED
Renee Diamond
Pete Dubé
Dr. Doris Dwyer
Robert Ostrovsky
Seth Schorr

DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES STAFF PRESENT
Claudia Vecchio, Dept. of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Director
Peter Barton, Division of Museums and History, Administrator
Carrie Edlefsen, Division of Museums and History, Administrative Services Officer
Lauri Brown, Division of Museums and History, Administrative Assistant
Rebecca Palmer, SHPO, State Historic Preservation Officer
Jim Bertolini, SHPO, State Historic Specialist II
Brett Kandt, Attorney General’s Office, Deputy Attorney General
Felicia Archer, Dept. of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Public Information Officer
James Barmore, Nevada State Museum Carson City, Museum Director, via teleconference
Sheryl Haynes-Zorn, Nevada Historical Society, Curator III
Adam Michalski, Nevada State Railroad Museum Carson City, Curator II
Chris deWitt, Nevada State Railroad Museum Carson City, Restoration Supervisor

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE
None

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00am and confirmed a quorum was present and the meeting was posted in accordance with NRS 241. (1)
2. There was no public comment at this time. (2)
3. The Chair took Item 3, Nominations to the National and State Registers of Historic Places. There were no State or National nominations to consider. (3a-b)
4. The Chair took Item 4, Agency Reports. This item was taken out of order. Claudia Vecchio reported on the Nevada Arts Council performing visual artists. The “Don’t Fence Me In” slogan creativity continues needing train and Native American experiences to be included. Larry Friedman just returned from Korea promoting tourism for Nevada.
Planning for the Governors Trade Mission in Australia ends in July. Observed the remarkable artwork of the Veterans Memorial in Las Vegas. (4a)

5. The Chair to Item 4b, State Historic Preservation Office. Rebecca Palmer referred to Jim Bertolini, the National and State Resister program Manager regarding any questions the board might have. A master list of the National and State Registers is being compiled for access to the Board members. (4b)

6. The Chair took Item 4c, Division of Museums and History. Peter Barton reported on the volunteer support to the museums since 2009 to 2015, Legislative audit corrective action plan, litigation report, as well as the personnel report. (4c)

7. The Chair took Item 4d, Public Information Officer. Felicia Archer had no formal report for the board at this time. (4d)

8. The Chair took Item 4e1, Nevada Historical Society, Reno. Sheryln Hayes-Zorn entertained questions regarding the Nevada Historical Society report and Quarterly status. (4e1)

9. The Chair took Item 4e2, Nevada State Museum, Carson City. Jim Barmore reported his retirement effective July 1, 2016, to be his last day worked. (4e2)

10. This item was taken out of order. The Chair took Item 4e3, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City. Daniel Markoff made the motion to table the deaccession of 179 items found with low or no association to museum collections until the next board meeting. Member Timmons seconded. The motion passed without dissent. (4e3a)

11. The Chair took item 4e3b, Update on V&T Coach No. 17. Chris deWitt reported on the stability of the V&T Coach No. 17. (4e3b)

12. The Chair took Item 4e4, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Boulder City. Peter Barton entertained questions regarding the museum. Handouts were distributed on a design for a possible expansion of the facility. (4e4)

13. The Chair took Item 4e5, East Ely Railroad Depot Museum. Peter Barton commented on the interlocal agreement and receiving approximately $5600. (4e5)

14. The Chair took Item 4e6, Lost City Museum, Overton. Peter Barton stated that there is no longer a Curator of Archaeology at the museum. (4e6)

15. The Chair took Item 4e7, Nevada State Museum, Las Vegas. Chairman Stoldal commented on the showgirl collection and stories at the event date of June 11, 2016. (4e7)

16. The Chair took Item 5, Committee Reports. Chairman Stoldal is impressed with the progress staff has made with Phase One of the process. (5a)

17. The Chair took Item 5b, Strategic Planning. The Chair stated that only one report was received on the feedback of the strategic planning after the board retreat in February and requested the rest be submitted through Mr. Barton. (5b)

18. The Chair took Item 5c, Major Gifts. Mr. Ostrovsky was not in attendance, so there was nothing to report. (5C)

19. The Chair took Item 5d, Facility Use. Daniel Markoff had nothing to report. (5d)

20. The Chair took Item 5e1-2, Acceptance of the minutes of the Finance Committee meetings for April 21, 2016 and May 13, 2016. These items were tabled until the next board meeting. (5e1-2)

21. The Chair took Item 5e3, Consideration of changing the annual budget to a biennial (2-year) budget for the Museum Dedicated Trust Funds to alternate with the State biennial budget. Alicia Barber made the motion to approve. Member Timmons seconded. Approved without dissent. (5e3)

22. The Chair took Item 5e4, Presentation of Morgan Stanley for January, February and March 2016. Peter Barton gave an overview of the Morgan Stanley balances. (5e4)

23. The Chair took Item 5f, Membership. There was nothing to report. (5f)
24. The Chair took item 5g, Museum Store. Peter Barton explained the Point of Sale through Retail Pro. Alicia Barber made a motion to approve the Point of Sale. Member Allison seconded. Approved without dissent. (5g1)

25. The Chair took Item 5h, Nevada State Prison. Alicia Barber reported on the Nevada State Prison Preservation Society suggesting the prison be referred to as a historic site and not a museum, because being a museum is so specific. The society expressed their desire to remain under the Department of Corrections. The next seemed to be acquiring a permit application for the code analysis. There is a new head at the Dept. of Corrections who was not present at this function not was there a representative. (5h)

26. The Chair took Item 6, Board comment on non-agendized items. There was no comment. (6)

27. The Chair took Item 7. Future Agenda Items. Daniel Markoff requested the V&T Coach No. 17, the issue of the deaccession and an update on the Morgan Stanley.

28. There was no public comment. (12)

29. The meeting was adjourned at 12:20P.