



HYRUM CITY MUSEUM

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MINUTES OF THE HYRUM CITY MUSEUM BOARD MEETING **AUGUST 13, 2024** AT THE MUSEUM BOARD ROOM 50 WEST MAIN STREET, HYRUM, UTAH

CONVENED: 6:00 pm

ROLL CALL, CALL TO ORDER, and WELCOME: Chairman Petersen welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE: John Petersen, Steve Downs, Kathy Kingsbury, Leisha Kunz, Montana Delao, Jami Van Huss, Courtney Cochley, and Craig Rasmussen. Kim Faulkner was excused.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Kathy motioned to approve the minutes of July 9, 2024, Steve seconded, all voted aye, and the minutes were approved unanimously as written.

BUSINESS:

1. Summer Programming Report

Overall, summer programming was a tremendous success, the museum enjoyed a record number of visitors, and Jami and Courtney are looking forward to having more time to work on museum projects as fall approaches. Jami noted that one of her biggest take-aways is that we need either a summer intern or to hire a summer helper to manage the increased daily visitors and to provide additional programming staff.

The summer programming activities have grown to the point that just Jami and Courtney cannot staff the events themselves and rely on help from the board and the Hyrum City Youth Council. We had a huge turnout for the pizza party, with nearly 70 kids earning the privilege of attending. We were also able to accommodate more people by offering gluten free pizza which allowed several families to participate who couldn't previously. Jami also arranged the prizes differently, allowing for the kids to have more autonomy in picking prizes and we offered less sugary snacks. These two changes were based on feedback and while they increased costs, they had a positive impact. Jami and Courtney collected surveys from the parents again this year and reported that the program is very positively received and supported by our community members.

2. Cold War Veterans

Jami reported that we have about 35 veteran names on the list, but still need to confirm with a few of them that they are coming. John Brenchley has agreed to give a short address, Bethani Taylor will sing the national anthem again, and Mayor Miller is planning on attending and giving a welcome. Jami needs to confirm with the Scout troop about posting colors, and we need to find a new trumpeter. Jami will finalize these last details and get the info to Larry Kerr by the end of the week and mail out a reminder with directions to all the veterans the week prior to the event.

3. Collections Update

Courtney reported that the door to the secure storage room has all its hardware and is lockable, meaning the room is officially finished! She has moved all of the artwork from the board room into its safe, permanent location in the secure storage room. She noted that we will be hosting the next collections preservation workshop on Sept 5th from 10:00 am--5:00 pm in the city council chambers and she invited everyone to attend. It will focus on object cleaning.

4. 2025 Proposed Schedule

Jami distributed the proposed 2025 schedule and went through it with the board. Next year we will be highlighting one exhibit each month during the Super Saturday event. She also asked everyone to note the date of the board dinner---January 9---and to put it on their calendars. The board voted to approve the schedule.

OTHER REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Steve printed packages of Christmas cards to donate to the Utah Museums Association's silent auction fundraiser during the upcoming conference on October 8--10. Courtney noted that she is on the auction committee and they have gathered many really awesome things and the silent auction platform is online, so everyone can participate. She invited the board to visit utahmuseums.org for more info.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:01 pm

Dates to Note:

September 10	Board Meeting, 6:00 pm
September 12	Cold War Victory Medal Ceremony @ MC, 5:00--7:00 pm
September 24--26	Back in Time, 1:00--1:30 pm, Awesome Autumn
September 28	Super Saturday, 10:00 am--3:00 pm, <i>Fall Festival with Driving Tour</i>
October 8--10	Museum Closed, <i>Utah Museums Association Conference</i>
October 15*	Board Meeting, 6:00 pm
October 26	Super Saturday, 10:00 am--3:00 pm, <i>Cemetery Trick-or-Treating Tour</i>
October 29--31	Back in Time, 1:00--1:30 pm, Trick or Treat
November 2	Community Dance at Elite Hall, 7:30--9:30 pm
November 8	Free Family Movie at Elite Hall, 7:00--9:00 pm, <i>Despicable Me 4</i>
November 9	Super Saturday, 10:00 am--3:00 pm, <i>Salute to Veterans</i>
November 12	Board Meeting, 6:00 pm
November 12--14	Back in Time, 1:00--1:30 pm, Shoshone Culture
November 26--28	Museum Closed, <i>Work Week/Thanksgiving</i>

ATTEST:

John Petersen
Chairman

Jami J. Van Huss
Museum Director

Approved:
As Written: _____