

St. Catharines Museum Advisory Committee

Minutes

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

Electronic Meeting at 6:00 pm

Attendance:

Kitrina Bevan; Des Corran; Robert De Wolfe; Sarah Shedden

Absent:

Michael O'Neill

Staff Liaison:

Kathleen Powell, Supervisor Historical Services

1. Call meeting to order (K.Powell)

6:15 pm

2. Recognition of Traditional Territories

K. Powell acknowledged that the land on which the St. Catharines Museum Advisory Committee meets today is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Peoples. Acknowledging this is a reminder that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.

3. Amendments to the agenda

No amendments were submitted.

4. Motion to approve the agenda

Motion: B. De Wolfe

Carried.

5. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting

Motion: D. Corran

Carried.

6. Declarations of interest.

No declarations were made.

7. Presentations

No presentations were scheduled for this meeting.

8. Business arising from the minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

9. Business

9.1 Curator's Report

Presented: Statistics; progress of Triumph and Tragedy book distribution; digital programming; progress of Interpretive Plan; upcoming exhibits; grants; Carousel update; Morningstar Mill update. Highlights included:

- Interpretive Plan: Phase 1 complete; Phase 2 involves planning for changes to the Galleries
- Exhibit, Just a Line to Say (postcards) opens April 1st
- Grant through CMOG for purchasing of equipment for digital engagement has been approved
- Carousel: proceeding under the assumption that it will open this summer on schedule
- Morningstar Mill: dam replacement work is scheduled for late summer

9.2 Collections Report: Accessions and Deaccessions

- Five items were presented for accessioning. All were accepted.
- One item was presented for de-accessioning. It was accepted and the item will be offered to another museum.

9.3 Interpretive Plan Implementation Update

- Progress on Interpretive Plan implementation was presented under Curator's Report.
- Strategic Plan: nearing the end of the current Strategic Plan with almost everything accomplished. A Strategic Plan for the next few years may be undertaken in-house. Consider questions for a survey, to be done in the summer, re engagement, community history, etc.

10. Date of next meeting

April 20, 2021

11. Motion to Adjourn

Motion: B. De Wolfe – 7:07 pm

Carried.