

**Meeting of Collections Committee of the
Louisiana State Museum Board of Directors
Old U.S. Mint, 3rd Floor, Green Room, New Orleans, LA 70116
October 23, 2019, 1:30 P.M.
Meeting Minutes**

Members Present: Fairleigh Cook Jackson, George A. Hero III, Anne F. Redd, Suzanne Haik Terrell, Ann Irwin

Members Absent: Mary C. Coulon

Advisors Present: Charles Chamberlain, Ph.D.

LSM Staff Present: Steven Maklansky, Tom Strider, Kira Kikla, David Kunian, Wayne Phillips, Sarah-Elizabeth Gundlach, Claudia Kheel, Anise Fiello

A quorum was present.

Call to order

Fairleigh Cook Jackson called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm.

Motion to Adopt the Agenda

A motion was made to adopt the agenda by Anne Redd.
The motion was seconded by George Hero.
It was approved unanimously.

Motion to Amend the Agenda

Suzanne Terrell made a motion to amend the agenda to allow for a discussion regarding the recruitment of new Committee members from the full Board and for the addition of an Advisor to the Committee. It was seconded by George Hero. It received unanimous approval.

Motion to Add a New Advisor to the Committee

Anne Redd made a motion to add Charles Chamberlain as an Advisor.
Ann Irwin seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous.

Adoption of the Minutes from September 4, 2019

Suzanne Terrell made a motion to adopt the minutes from the Collections Committee of the Board of Directors of the Louisiana State Museum held on May 1, 2019.
George Hero seconded the motion.
The motion was approved unanimously.

Collections Committee Action Items

Proposed Accessions to the Science & Technology, and Music Permanent Collections

David Kunian and Wayne Phillips presented two donations, and three purchases (supported by FOC). Two of the purchases came from loans that are currently included in the *We Love You New Orleans* exhibition. David Kunian was asked if the museum has a complete set of Jazz Fest posters. He will report back to the committee concerning the inventory.

George Hero made a motion to approve the accessions.
The motion was seconded by Ann Irwin.
It received unanimous approval.

Proposed Deaccessions from the Permanent Collections:

Steven Maklansky discussed a Louisiana State Museum Statement on Deaccessioning. A copy of the statement was provided under "New Business" in the agenda. He stressed that the Museum's efforts would be characterized first attempting to extend care for objects and to keep them in the public domain.

91 Artifacts and Artworks Were Proposed for Deaccession:

Claudia Kheel presented 15 international and American paintings from Visual Arts, 5 international currency notes, and 8 objects from Decorative Arts.

David Kunian listed 6 damaged recordings from the Music collection.

Wayne Phillips presented 57 ball programs, duplicates from the Carnival Collection.

The Committee questioned items #1988.099.1-4, four folding armchairs from the Republican National Convention, New Orleans, 1988, used by Ronald Reagan, Nancy Reagan, George W. Bush, and Barbara Bush. Steven Maklansky and staff recommended the deaccessions.

After discussion, Anne Redd made a motion to approve all deaccessions with one exception, to defer a vote on the four folding chairs to obtain more information.

The motion was seconded by George Hero.

4 members gave approval. Ann Irwin abstained.

Proposed Incoming Loans

Loans for *Noel Rockmore* and *Butterfly Man* exhibitions were listed on the agenda

Suzanne Terrell made a motion to approve all Incoming Loans.

The motion was seconded by George Hero.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Proposed Outgoing Loans

Wayne Phillips presented proposed loans to an Old State Capitol exhibition on women's suffrage.

The Committee requested that in the future, images of Outgoing Loans be included on the PowerPoint presentation.

Suzanne Terrell made a motion to approve.

The motion was seconded by George Hero.
The motion was approved unanimously.

Proposed Incoming Loan Extensions

Wayne Phillips proposed loan extensions for *We Love You New Orleans*.
David Kunian discussed extending the loans for the Professor Longhair exhibition.

Suzanne Terrell made a motion to approve.
The motion was seconded by George Hero.
The motion was approved unanimously.

Old Business

New Business

1) Agenda item for discussion: Change in loan procedures.

After discussions with State Attorney Julia George, Steven Maklansky reported that the Director has the authority to approve Incoming Loans. The Board would still like to have them reported in the agenda.

2) Steven Maklansky presented a draft of a new Louisiana State Museum Statement on Deaccessioning. Suzanne Terrell requested a revised written document before a motion be made to change the internal manual.

3) Kira Kikla presented a new TMS form for tracking deaccessions.

4) The Committee requested that at the next meeting, the different museum collections, Permanent, Study, Demonstration, and Library, be explained and discussed.

Adjournment

Anne Redd made a motion to adjourn.

It was seconded by George Hero.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 pm.