

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
Board of Directors of the Louisiana State Museum
Monday, March 9, 2020
12:30 pm. – Old U.S. Mint
New Orleans, LA

Members Present: Larry Schmidt, George Hero, Mary Coulon, Suzanne Perlis, Florence Jumonville, Sandra Shilstone, Aleta Leckelt, Anne Redd, Ben Dupuy, Kevin Kelly, Madlyn Bagneris, Christen Losey-Gregg, Christopher Tidmore, William Wilton, and Melissa Steiner

Members Absent: Kim Abramson, Suzie Terrell, Fairleigh Jackson, Ann Irwin, Lee Felterman

Also Present: Julio Guichard, Bill Sherman, Ruth Burke, Susan Maclay, Jason Strada, Julia George Moore

LSM Staff Present: Yvonne Mack, Steven Maklansky, Greg Lambousy, Polly Rolman-Smith, Baylee Badaway, and Bridgette Thibodeaux

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Anne Redd at 12:39 pm.

II. Oath of office for new members

Julia George Moore performed the oath of office for the new board members: Florence Jumonville, Sandra Shilstone, Suzanne Perlis, Christopher Tidmore, and Ben Dupuy.

III. Adoption of the Agenda

Aleta Leckelt moved to adopt the agenda. Christen Losey-Gregg seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

IV. Adoption of Minutes from Louisiana State Museum Board of Directors Meeting held January 6, 2020

Kevin Kelly made a motion to approve the minutes. Melissa Steiner seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

V. Governance Study (Lord) Update

Gail Lord presented the project status including an update on the options considered for the newly recommended governance structure.

VI. Interim Director's Report

Steven Maklansky presented a brief report regarding the last three years of LSM activities. Larry Schmidt and Interim Director Maklansky provided an update on Madame John's Legacy testing.

VII. New Orleans Jazz Museum update

Greg Lambousy presented an update on the Jazz Museum and the requests as presented to the Irby/Finance Committee (see below for actions associated with these requests). Discussion occurred regarding New Orleans Jazz Museum Gateway proposal per attached Exhibit B. Greg presented the information and possible options. No motions were made in regard to this portion of the presentation.

VIII. Board Action Items**A. Irby/Finance Committee Report**

1. Request for \$100,000 match for Herb Alpert grant
The Herb Alpert Foundation awarded the New Orleans Jazz Museum with a \$100,000 matching grant to fund education center expansion. In addition to this gift, Herb Alpert donated his statue, *The Bass Player*. This statue is the first installation of the upcoming Sculpture Garden, in the riverside courtyard of our campus. Christopher Tidmore made a motion to approve \$100,000 for NOJM to match the grant. Madlyn Bagneris seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
2. Funding approval for one-time expense for the New Orleans Jazz Museum:
Christopher Tidmore made a motion to approve funding the building repairs per attached Exhibit A not to exceed \$80,000. Melissa Steiner seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
3. Acceptance of commercial tenant bids for 809 Decatur (Prolmage expires 5-31-20).
Madlyn Bagneris made a motion to accept the bid received. It was unanimously approved.

B. Collections Committee Report

Mary Coulon presented the committee report. Kevin Kelly made a motion to approve all recommendations of this committee. Larry Schmidt seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

1. Proposed Accessions to the Permanent Collections
2. Changes to the Collections Manual
3. Proposed Deaccessions

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4. Outgoing loans & loan extensions
5. Incoming loans & loan extensions for upcoming/current exhibitions
6. Planned conservation

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IX. Reports from Friends groups and Foundations

Jason Strada presented for the Friends of Cabildo including new programming and tours at Capitol Park Museum and Susan Maclay presented for Louisiana Museum Foundation

X. Old Business - A reminder was provided regarding the May 11th board meeting. Board members were reminded to please RSVP your attendance to all of the meetings.

XI. New Business

XII. Adjournment - Larry Schmidt made a motion to adjourn. Melissa Steiner seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 2:54 pm.